

HEBDEN ROYD TOWN COUNCIL

Meeting of the PROJECT & EVENTS COMMITTEE held 29TH MARCH 2023

MINUTES

PRESENT: Councillors: Fraser, Hayes, Hoyle, Wood.

Clerk: E Green

429. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ANY SUBSTITUTIONS

Apologies were received from Cllr Hodgins.

**430. MEMBERS' INTERESTS RELATING TO AGENDA ITEMS
FOR THIS MEETING.**

No interests were declared.

**431. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE
MEETING HELD MONDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER 22 NOT
ITEMISED ON THIS AGENDA.**

In respect of item 154 Cllr Wood updated the committee regarding the Mytholmroyd Music Festival. It is likely that the festival won't run this year, but may return on a bi annual basis. It was discussed that Community Funding would be the appropriate committee to apply for funding, rather than the Project & Events Committee.

432. BUDGET UPDATE

Councillors were advised on the current status of the budget and items which may be of interest were highlighted.

It was moved by Cllr Fraser

Seconded by Cllr Hayes and

RESOLVED: to note the information.

433. HEBDENS HAPPY HOUNDS

An overview of the planned Happy Hounds event was presented. The meeting were advised that once again HRTC would be partnering with the RSPCA, and there was a wide range of exhibitors attending. It was discussed that there was still a vacancy for a groomer and a vet to attend and it was thought that this would be very beneficial.

It was moved by Cllr Wood

Seconded by Cllr Hayes and

RESOLVED: To continue to engage with potential exhibitors, and to consider ways of encouraging a groomer to attend to do short grooming sessions/tips. This may include paying a groomer for their services.

434. HEBDEN BRIDGE PUMPKIN TRAIL

The report was considered by councillors and discussed in detail. The idea of the theme was debated as to the pros and cons of repeating the climate theme, it was felt that there was still scope within this theme

and that the development of a brand and identity for the Pumpkin Trail was supported by it. The budget was explored carefully, drawing comparisons to last years event and ensuring that the event continues to deliver value for money.

It was moved by Cllr Wood

Seconded by Cllr Hayes and

RESOLVED: That the Sand in Your Eye cost of £27,000 should be approved to allow the delivery of a two day event, to incorporate two workshops (pumpkin carving and ice workshop). The theme will be based on climate but councillors would like to explore the global element, looking at different environments across the world. It was suggested that the main sculpture could be a Polar Bear on an iceberg which would melt away over the two days. This leaves some moneys in the budget to explore the delivery and inclusion of expert facilitators, TED Talks and additional appropriate supplementary activities. Councillors would also like to request that the Climate emergency Committee consider how they can get involved and be part of the wider delivery of the event.

435. CHRISTMAS - LUTV 2023

Councillors considered the report and reviewed the previous years event.

It was moved by Cllr Hayes

Seconded by Cllr Wood and

RESOLVED: That the Town Council work with the Rotary Club of Hebden Bridge to deliver Light Up the Valley 2023 incorporating the Christmas Lights Switch On Events for Mytholmroyd on Saturday 25th November and Hebden Bridge on Thursday 30th November.

436. CHRISTMAS LIGHTING 2023

Councillors considered the various quotes that had been received for the provision of Christmas Lighting in Hebden Royd for the period 2023 – 2026/28. Cost and value for money were fundamental considerations but also importantly the environmental impact of the manufacture, use and disposal process of the lighting was considered. Councillors were impressed with Blachere's innovative new Bio-print technology which uses sugar cane and recycled plastics to make sustainable motifs

It was moved by Cllr Hayes

Seconded by Cllr Hoyle and

RESOLVED: That Blachere Illuminations would be the supplier of Christmas Lighting, opting for their 5 year contract with the addition of illuminating trees in specified locations over that 5 year period.