



## **BLYTH TOWN COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Community Development Committee** held via Zoom on Thursday 11 June 2020 at 4.30 pm

**Present:**

**Councillors:** K Nisbet (Chair), A Cartie (Vice-Chair), E Anderson-Smith, D Carr, A Parsons (joined late) J R Potts, O Potts, M Richardson, L Rickerby, S Stanger, W Taylor

**Officers:**

Joseph Hughes, Town Clerk  
Malcolm Wilkinson, Deputy Town Clerk  
Maureen Hawthorne, Committee Clerk

**In attendance:** M Jackson, Events Co-ordinator

**Members of the Public – 2      Invited Guests - 0**

<b>Minute No</b>	
<b>1</b>	<b>Apologies for Absence</b>  None
<b>2</b>	<b>Disclosure of Interest and Grants of Dispensation</b>  None
<b>3</b>	<b>Minutes of Community Development Committee held on Tuesday 18 February 2020 (Part I &amp; II)</b>  The minutes were noted as a true record.
<b>4</b>	<b>Minutes of the Community Funding Sub Committee held on Tuesday 2 June 2020 (Part I &amp; II)</b>

	The minutes were noted as a true record.
<b>5</b>	<p><b>Community Development Budget Monitoring Report</b></p> <p>Councillor Taylor referred to the £20,000 allocated to the Olympic Legacy Event and asked if this will go ahead. He suggested that if not, some of the money could be used towards a summer play scheme for children.</p> <p>The Town Clerk agreed to speak with Ronnie Scheu to establish whether the event will be taking place.</p>
<b>6</b>	<p><b>Service Plan</b></p> <p>Members accepted the Service Plan for 2020/21. This document is a review of what has taken place over a 12-month period as well as plans for the coming year.</p>
<b>7</b>	<p><b>Decision Report</b></p> <p>Committee <b>RESOLVED</b> to agree the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Celebratory Event <p>To hold an event to celebrate the contribution from all key workers, organisations and individuals during the covid -19.</p> <p>It was agreed that the Town Clerk will hold further discussions with the Events Co-ordinator to look at how and when this should happen, taking into consideration that what else will be taking place in the town.</p> </li> <li>2. Blyth Carnival – expressions of interest 2020-22 (App 1) <p>To ask Leading Link to help deliver Carnivals in the town for the period 2020-2022 when circumstances allow for this.</p> </li> <li>3. Festive Lighting <p>To extend the lighting to Broadway Circle/Renwick Road. Replace the lights in the market place trees, subject to Clarification from Anne Lawson regarding the plans to reconfigure the market place and confirmation that the lights could be moved to another location.</p> </li> </ol>

	<p>4. Heritage Map – (Appendices 2-10)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To delay printing of the heritage map due to current circumstances. Ask Widescope to include an additional two plaques currently on order.</li> <li>• The choice of the front and back of the map with (option 1B for the front and 2 for the back).</li> </ul> <p>The Committee Clerk will ask for date when the virtual map will go live.</p>
	<p><b>Information Report</b></p> <p>Members noted the information contained in the report in respect of Events 2020 namely:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fireworks Festival</li> <li>• Remembrance Sunday</li> <li>• Christmas Light Switch on</li> </ul> <p>Everyone agreed that a real Christmas tree would be the preferred option if possible.</p>
<b>9</b>	<p><b>Delegated Actions</b></p> <p>There were no delegated actions to report.</p>
<b>10</b>	<p><b>Transfer of Councillor’s Allowance</b></p> <p>Committee RESOLVED to agree that as David Walls is no longer a Councillor representing Newsham, his allowance should be transferred to Councillor Thompson to use in his ward.</p>
<b>11</b>	<p><b>Review of Events</b></p> <p>There were no events for this Committee to review.</p>
<b>12</b>	<p><b>Any other Business</b></p> <p>Councillor Nisbet welcomed Sophie Moan and her family as observers to the meeting adding that she is an inspiration to young people.</p>
<b>13</b>	<p><b>Date and Time of Next Meeting</b></p>

	The next meeting of the Community Development Committee will be held on Tuesday 22 September. If the current arrangements continue this will be an electronic meeting.
<b>14</b>	<p><b>Part II</b></p> <p>Pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960; that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.</p>

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