

THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
COMMUNITY & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE HELD IN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBER, SHOTTON HALL,
PETERLEE ON MONDAY 11TH FEBRUARY 2019 AT 6.30PM

PRESENT: COUN R MOORE (CHAIR)

Mesdames:- S McDonnell, L Fenwick, K Hawley, S Simpson, K J Duffy & K Liddell

Messrs:- G Carne, S Miles, A S H Meikle, C Watkins & A Watson

The Chairman advised Members of the committee that part of the meeting may be recorded by both audio and video, and it may be that photographs were taken.

75. Apologies for Absence

Apologies had been submitted and accepted from Councillors A Wilkinson, T Duffy, S McGlen, A C Long, R Kyle & M A Cartwright. **RESOLVED the Council approve the reason submitted for absence received from the Councillors listed, and their apologies for absence be recorded.**

76. To receive declarations of interest

Members were reminded of the need to disclose any interests in items on this agenda, whether pecuniary or otherwise. None were given.

77. To Approve the Minutes of the Last Meeting

Members agreed the attached minutes of the meeting held on 14th January 2019 as a true and correct record of the meeting and they were duly signed.

78. Update on Sports Development Activities

The report of the Sport & Wellbeing Manager providing information for Members about new activities, PACES, events, marketing and sports clubs a copy of which had been previously circulated, was considered.

It was reported it was hoped there would be another Walk and Talk event in early 2019 and that the Taste Buddies project was being externally funded with support from PTC for room hire and staffing. Members reported the Street Games youth activities had been excellent and well attended with 45-50 young people taking part in the lower level of the Asda car park. **RESOLVED the information contained within the report, be noted.**

79. Minutes of the Woodhouse Park Working Party of the 6th February 2019 a copy of which had been circulated, were noted. In relation to the Period Poverty initiative it was reported a review and progress report would be provided to a future next meeting.

80. Minutes of the Events Park Working Party of the 23rd January 2019 a copy of which had been circulated, were noted. There were several items raised as follows:-

Summer Fun Days it was asked would the play area investment improvement programme affect the dates and it was assured a timeline for the works to the play areas would be provided for Members soon.

The Peterlee Show the issue of wrist bands for the stage area was questioned along with how the Pavilion would be accessed. It was suggested the next Events Meeting be held at Helford Road to allow this to be clarified and considered further.

Remembrance Parade it was suggested only one wreath be placed by the Town Council. It was also asked if the possibility of the Parade falling out at the traffic lights on the return journey at the bottom of Edenhill Road and would the Parade Marshall discuss this with the Veterans and report back to the Committee.

Christmas Tree Lighting Event it was suggested the Round Table be asked to sell glow in the dark novelties at the event to alleviate the workload for staff on duty that evening.

Over 60's New Year Party - The limit of 10 tickets per care home for the Over 60's Event was challenged and it was recommended this be reconsidered at the Events next meeting for there to be no limit applied. It was also asked if an Over 60's Summer Party could be

considered and planned. **RESOLVED these items be referred back to the Events Working Party for further discussion.**

81. Peterlee Show 2019 – Entry to the Circus

To receive an update on the proposal for charitable collections for the circus and entry at the Peterlee Show 2019. The Town Clerk confirmed that a Street Collection Permit had to be applied for by an individual rather than the organisation. **RESOLVED free entry to the circus be given to all and a Street Collection Permit be applied for. FURTHER RESOLVED that should other organisations wish to collect at other Events eg Armed Forces day, they be requested to apply for their own Street Collection Permit.**

82. Amendment to Parks Department working hours

The Town Clerk gave a verbal report on a proposal to amend their working hours to 37 hours per week, all year round. He explained the background to the request that had been received from all of the Parks & Cemetery Team. Following discussion it was **RESOLVED the Parks Team working hours be altered to 7.30 – 3.30 Monday to Thursday, 7.30 to 3pm Friday, 37 hours, and this be for a trial period of 12 months commencing 11th March 2019.**