

Malmesbury Town Council

Minutes of the **Community & Town Promotion Committee Meeting**
Held in Malmesbury Town Hall on **Tuesday 10th June 2021** at 7.00pm.

PRESENT: Councillors: R P Jones, K Power (Chair), C Ritchie, R Sanderson, F Smith, F Vandelli
E Whatton

ALSO PRESENT: Claire Mann (Acting Town Clerk) & Cllr D'Arcy

C&TP/21/45 To receive declarations of interest.

None received

C&TP/21/46 To receive apologies.

Apologies received from Cllr Doody

C&TP/21/47 Public question time in respect of items included in this agenda.

There were no public questions

C&TP/21/48 To approve minutes of meeting held on the 15th April.

The minutes were approved as a correct record

C&TP/21/49 To invite new Chair of Thomas Hobbes Society to discuss potential philosophy event to be held and to appoint working group.

Cllr power introduced Alan Marshall & Maria Marsh of the Thomas Hobbes Society. Several ideas were discussed which included a series of lectures, a Hobbes Trail on Explore Malmesbury, artistic work in the town and including the Schools. Virtual events would mean that people all over the world could join but consideration would need to be given to the timings.

It was agreed that the Working Group would be made up of Alan Marshall, Maria Marsh, Cllrs Ritchie, Vandelli, Sanderson, Power & RP Jones. Cllr Ritchie will Chair the Group.

Alan Marshall & Maria Marsh left the meeting

It was resolved to move item 10 forwards on the agenda

C&TP/21/50 To consider preliminary plans for the NHS thank you and recognition event and if agreed, to appoint working group.

Cllr D'Arcy suggested that the Carnival wants to celebrate & thank the NHS workers and the many volunteers in Malmesbury who supported others during the pandemic by making them the lead of the Carnival Procession in the Summer. The community & Town Promotion Committee supported this idea and the Mayor will be asked to discuss at Full Council.

C&TP/21/51 To receive Income & Expenditure Report

The report was noted by members. Cllr Vandelli expressed thanks to Helen King for seeking further contributions this year to the floral displays.

It was also requested that budgeted expenditure for events is all moved into 4071 but that as expenditure occurs, it is costed to individual codes.

C&TP/21/52 To consider plans for High Street Gallery (report Cllr Doody).

The report was noted. It was resolved that Councillors Whatton & Vandelli will work with Cllr doody on this initiative.

C&TP/21/53 To appoint working group to define the Committee's promotion strategy for the High Street & Tourism

Members appointed to the group were Cllrs Power, Ritchie, Sanderson, F Smith & Vandelli. Cllr Sanderson will Chair the group.

C&TP/21/54 To approve Explore Malmesbury signage in the TIC window (to be paid for by the Town Team) & to receive an update

Committee agreed that the signage could be put in the front window of the Town Hall.

C&TP/21/55 To consider participation in WOMAD event and if agreed, to confirm working group membership.

Cllr Vandelli will seek more help from other Councillors/members of the public if the event takes place, it was also agreed that a different approach needs to be taken this year to ensure social distancing measures are adhered to. A request for an electrical supply will be made to WOMAD.

C&TP/21/56 To confirm expenditure for St Aldhelm's Fair event and to receive an update.

The event had proven to be very successful and the Saxon Trail particularly so.

It was agreed that a maximum expenditure of £200 would be made to recognise and recompense the time spent by volunteers working on the event.

C&TP/21/57 To confirm membership of Malmesbury in Bloom working group and note finances and progression of event.

Thanks were expressed to the Wilts & Glos Standard for their increased donation this year. Cllrs Doody, Power & Vandelli were appointed as members of the working group.

C&TP/21/58 To receive an update from Cllr Vandelli on the School Art Exhibition.

Cllr Vandelli stated that she has been in touch with Barry Gustard at the School and that the art work will go on display through the summer. It was agreed that Malmesbury Town Council will host an open evening and that £100 would be budgeted for the event. In the event that Covid prevents the exhibition from taking place it was agreed that the artwork could be displayed in a sequence of videos on the screens in the Information centre.

C&TP/21/59 To discuss CommuniTea event to determine course of action.

It was agreed that no work would take place at this point but that it would be reviewed later in the summer.

C&TP/21/60 To consider a joint project with the Museum & other partners in respect of the Tunnels of Malmesbury and if agreed, to form a working group.

Members noted the report from Cllr Power.

It was resolved to move the project forwards and that Cllrs Power & Ritchie would bring ideas to the next meeting.

C&TP/21/61 To receive an update from the Local Youth Network representative (Cllr Vandelli) to include work of the Rise Trust.

Cllr Vandelli reported that the most recent meeting had been cancelled. Cllr Vandelli will continue to circulate the reports from the Rise Trust to members.

C&TP/21/62 To consider participation in the 'Queen's Green Canopy' scheme to commemorate Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee in 2022.

It was resolved that this would be forwarded to the TH&F Committee for consideration and that Cllr Power would seek to engage other stakeholders/land owners around the Town.

Meeting closed at 9.14pm

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