
MINUTES of the **PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES COMMITTEE MEETING OF STANLEY TOWN COUNCIL** held at Annfield Plain Community Centre, Stanley on Tuesday 14th November 2017 at 6.30pm

PRESENT: Cllr J Pallas* Cllr C Marshall Cllr C Hampson Cllr L Christie
 Cllr J Kane Cllr A Clegg
 *Chairman

OFFICERS: Alan Shaw (Town Clerk)
 Nicola James (PA to the Town Clerk)
 James Harper (Community Development Manager)

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: 3 members of the public & Cllr J Nicholson

ABSENT: Cllrs J McMahon & J Clark

156 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received from Cllrs T Armstrong, J Tully, G Wilkinson & B Nair were accepted by Committee.

157 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cll C Marshall declared an interest as director of Stanley Events Ltd.

158 PROCEDURAL AND APPROPRIATE ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN OR TOWN CLERK

The Town Clerk advised that the meeting was being recorded and reminded everyone to switch their phones to silent. Mr Rollings was also recording the meeting.

159 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no questions submitted prior to the meeting and no questions from the floor.

160 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was proposed by Cllr C Marshall, seconded by Cllr A Clegg and **RESOLVED** that members **APPROVE** the minutes of the meeting held on 12th September 2017.

161 FEEDBACK FROM FIREWORKS EVENT

Cllr C Marshall advised, on behalf of Stanley Events Ltd, that the event was very successful. Approx. 8500 attended the event. There were no safety issues and no complaints were received from residents. He advised that the cost of the display had

increased, the true cost being in excess of £15,000, costs will be shared with the Town Council.

The Town Clerk suggested that in future years SEL and STC liaise better with DCC and the street wardens to prevent fly pitches selling flashing lights for Children. He also suggested holding a fun fair on the front street to capture attendees going to and from the Fireworks. Committee **RECOMMEND** to Council that street wardens be present on the street and that costs for a fun fair be looked into.

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MEDIUM TERM PLAN TIMELINE

Members of the Committee discussed the Medium Term Plan Timeline and **RECOMMEND** the following to Full Council:

MTP Objective	Recommendation
Objective 2. <i>Tackle environmental crime and issues by reinstating the neighbourhood wardens service across the area.</i>	Bring forward roll out to 2018/19
Objective 3. <i>Develop new ways of engaging and working with young people ensuring there are a range of activities and facilities for them</i>	Establish a small grants pot for 2018/19 of £15,000
Objective 4. <i>Develop a focused programme of good quality events.</i>	Budget £40,000 for 2018/9 to include Armed Forces, Play in the Park and Christmas Events.
Objective 5. <i>Provide support for community facilities and Sports Clubs across the area.</i>	(i) Arrange a meeting with CAB / DCP / PACT House etc. to discuss working together. (ii) Arrange advice services with Universal Credit knowledge to come to Council meeting to discuss plans for UC asap.
Objective 6. <i>Ensure the people of Stanley achieve good value for money by ensuring Stanley Town Council is managed effectively.</i>	Begin staffing structure review asap aiming to be in place for start 2018/19 financial year
Objective 9. <i>Investigate the feasibility of a Heritage Facility in Stanley Town Centre.</i>	Preparation needs to begin immediately to ensure a proposal can be put forward in 2018/19

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CHRISTMAS EVENTS

The Community Development Manager gave an update on the progress and planning for this years Christmas Market. Committee **RESOLVED** that any income the Council receives from the Christmas Market is to be donated to the Town Mayor's Charity.

164 TOWN MAYOR'S EVENTS

The PA to the Town Clerk updated Committee in respect of the three Town Mayor's Events planned, the pensioner's Christmas lunch, the Town Mayor's awards and an opportunity to meet the Mayor over tea.

165 OTHER UPDATES

- (i) **Remembrance Events** - The Town Clerk advised Committee that the remembrance events across the Parish were well attended and went smoothly and there were no issues in relation to the events the Council supports at South Moor, Craghead and Annfield Plain.
- (ii) **Louisa Morrison Memorial** - Officers are in the process of discussing licences and whether planning consent is required with DCC.

166 DATE, TIME AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 12th December 2017, 6.30pm, Stanley Civic Hall