

YEOVIL TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of the **PROMOTIONS AND ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE** held in the Town House, 19 Union Street, Yeovil on **Tuesday 9 June 2015**

(7.00pm to 7.55pm)

Present:

Andy Kendall
Mike Lock
Pauline Lock
Sarah Lowery
Wes Read
David Recardo
Manny Roper
Alan Smith

Also Present:

Andrew Pugsley – South Ward Member
Rob Stickland – East Ward Member
Sally Freemantle – Assistant Town Clerk

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments from members of the public.

9/4 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the previous meetings held on 17 March and 26 May 2015, copies of which had been circulated, were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

9/5 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Joe Conway, Darren Shutler and Steve Fox.

9/6 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no Declarations of Interest.

9/7 **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Assistant Town Clerk informed the Committee that a contribution of £500 had been received from Yeovil Chamber of Trade and Commerce towards the Christmas lights.

RESOLVED

that the correspondence be noted.

9/8 **YEOVIL IN BLOOM STEERING GROUP**

The Committee considered the outcomes of the meeting of the Yeovil in Bloom Steering Group held on 13 April 2015.

The Chairman of the Steering Group informed the Committee that the visit to the nursery had gone really well and the array and quality of the plants was very impressive. He added that the spring bulbs had been removed to allow for the planting out to take place, and this had already started in St John's Churchyard on the first day of June. The Annual Bulb Giveaway had taken place in St John's Churchyard at the same time as the installation of Yarn Bombing – decorative knitting adorning the trees, benches and railings. The photographs posted on the Facebook page had reached 1123 people and over 150 people had "liked" the venture. On 4 June the Yarn Bombing was featured on the BBC news website.

The Committee was informed that the South West in Bloom judges would be visiting the town on Friday 17 July.

RESOLVED

that the matters be noted.

9/9 **YEOVIL TOWN REPLICAS SEALS**

The Committee considered the report of the Town Clerk (agenda item 6 refers) and suggestions were made for the display of the seals, including the Library window. It was felt that it would be a good idea to collate a list of artefacts of interest and agreed to contact the Community Heritage Access Centre for advice and possible ways of displaying the seals and including them on the website.

RESOLVED

- (1) that the matter be noted;
- (2) that the Assistant Town Clerk contact the Library to enquire about the availability of booking a window display; and
- (3) that the Community Heritage Access Centre be contacted for advice in display and online publicity of the seals.

9/10 **PAINTING OF THE ROUNDHOUSE**

The Committee considered the report of the Assistant Town Clerk (agenda item 7 refers) and it was noted by Members that the print of the Roundhouse had been donated to the Council. Suggestions for other historic buildings included the Toll Houses, St John's Church, the Town House, Hendford House, Church Path Law Courts and the Almshouses. It was felt that it would be nice to have paintings of the Town House when it was a Police Station and the Town Station and suggested that there were a number of photographs which the artist could use to copy.

It was also suggested that the artist may be invited to donate the original painting of the Roundhouse to the Mayor's Charity for auction at the Mayor's Ball, if it does not sell in the interim.

RESOLVED

- (1) that the matter be noted;
- (2) that a letter of thanks be sent to the artist and that it be suggested that if the original does not sell, it be donated to the Mayor's charity, with a view to auctioning it at the Mayor's Ball; and
- (3) that the above suggestions of historic buildings and buildings of interest be suggested to the artist as per his request.

9/11 **THE GUILD OF MACBEARERS**

The Committee considered the report of the Town Clerk (agenda item 8 refers) and it was agreed that the matter should be referred to Town Council with a recommendation that the Mayor write a letter of congratulation on behalf of the Town Council on the prestigious honour bestowed on the Town Council's Macebearer, Bruce Trigger

RESOLVED

- (1) that the matter be noted; and
- (2) that it be referred to Town Council with a recommendation that a letter of congratulation be sent to Bruce Trigger.

9/12 **FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR FEBRUARY/MARCH 2015**

The Committee considered the Financial Statement for the period 1 February to 31 March 2015 (agenda item 9 refers).

RESOLVED

that the Financial Statement be noted.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments from members of the public.

Chairman

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