



# Yeovil Town Council

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## **Minutes of the meeting of the Promotions and Activities Committee of Yeovil Town Council held on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2017 at 7.00pm in the Town House, 19 Union Street, Yeovil BA20 1PQ**

**Present:** Cllrs D Recardo (Chairman), J Conway, P Lock, S Lowery, E Potts-Jones, F Purbrick, M Roper and A Smith.

**Also Present:** M Lock (Milford Ward Member)

**In Attendance:** S Freemantle (Deputy Town Clerk).

There were no members of the public and no members of the press present.

### **9/125. Apologies for Absence and to Consider the Reasons Given**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr W Read (working), Cllr D Shutler (conflicting Mayoral engagement) and S Fox (Principal Horticultural Officer).

**Resolved:** To accept the apologies with the reasons given.

### **9/126. Declarations of Interest**

Members declare Interests that accord with the Council's adopted Code of Conduct. This does not preclude any later declarations.

There were no declarations of interests at this time.

### **9/127. Minutes of Last Meeting**

The Committee approved as a correct record the Minutes of the previous meetings held on 14<sup>th</sup> March and 9<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

**Resolved:** That the Minutes of the meeting of the Promotions and Activities Committee held on 14<sup>th</sup> March and 9<sup>th</sup> May 2017 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

### **9/128. Exclusion of Press and Public**

Due to the confidential nature of the business of item 9/133, under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s3, it is likely a motion to exclude members of the public and press during discussion of this item will be considered by the Councilors. [Public Bodies \(Admission to Meetings\) Act 1960 s3](#)

**Resolved:** That agenda item 9/133 is heard with the Public & Press excluded.

### **9/129. Yeovil in Bloom Update**

The Chairman updated the Committee on the work of the Yeovil in Bloom team – that the flower beds were being prepared for planting which would commence on 5<sup>th</sup> June. He reported that the bulb giveaway would also be on 5<sup>th</sup> June and the judging would take place on 12 July. The Quedam had offered to produce a vinyl to cover the exterior of one of the empty shop windows which would display a montage of Yeovil in Bloom photographs. Finally, the Chairman explained that the Yeovil in Bloom Steering Group had met at the nursery that day, and that the plants were displaying a myriad of different colours and were looking very healthy, showing lots of promise for the forthcoming season when they would be planted in the flower beds and baskets around the town.

**Resolved:** that the update be noted.

### **9/130. Unity in the Community Working Group**

Cllr Conway gave a brief update of the plans and stated that all the members of the Working Group were busily working on different aspects of the day. Cllr Potts-Jones was running a competition for the best postcard which would be judged by school children – a display of all the postcards would be in the library window.

**Resolved:** that the update be noted.

### **9/131. Super Saturday**

The Deputy Clerk gave a brief summary of the plans for the day, explaining that there was a dinosaur theme and that the activities would take place in Middle Street, the Quedam, St John's Churchyard, Glovers Walk, Princes Street and the Courtyard Café.

**Resolved:** that the update be noted.

### **9/132. Financial Statement – February/March 2017**

The Committee considered the Financial Statement for the period 1 February to 31 March 2017.

**Resolved:** that the Financial Statement for the period 1<sup>st</sup> February to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017 be noted.

**Public Comment.** There were no members of the public present.

### **9/133. Christmas Lights**

*The Committee resolved to (see item 9/128) to exclude the press and public from the remainder of the meeting in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.*

The Committee considered the confidential report by the Town Clerk and the Chairman gave assurances that the matters discussed would be taken into account during the selection process.

**Resolved:** (1) that the report be noted; (2) that Cllrs D Recardo, P Lock, M Lock, M Roper and A Smith will attend the presentations; and (3) that the selection of the preferred supplier be delegated to the Town Clerk in consultation with the Chairman of Promotions and Activities Committee, taking on board the feedback of those attending the presentation.

The meeting closed at 8.10pm

Signed: ..... (Chairman)

Date: .....