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SANDS OF TIME SEASIDE FESTIVAL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE SANDS OF TIME 2006 COMMITTEE

Tuesday 21st March 2006 at the Council Chamber

PRESENT: Cllr Don Eldridge (Chairman), Cllr John Hayward, Cllr Mrs Jeanette Warr **IN ATTENDANCE:** Erika Benackova, Sue Holmes, Jennifer & Barry Jones

The meeting opened at 6.05pm.

54. WELCOME BY THE CHAIRMAN

Cllr Eldridge welcomed those present.

55. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies were received.

56. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members and Officers were reminded to make any declarations of personal and/or prejudicial interests that they may have in relation to items on this Agenda.

Notice should be given at this part of the meeting of any intended declaration. The nature of the interest should then be declared later at the commencement of the item or when the interest becomes apparent.

The Committee noted there were no Declarations of Interest made at this point in the Meeting.

57. ADJOURNMENT FOR PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no questions from the public.

58. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 24th JANUARY 2006, PREVIOUSLY CIRCULATED

The Committee **AGREED** to approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 24th January 2006 as a true and correct record of the proceedings and the Chairman signed them.

59. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES AND NOTES

There were no matters arising.

60. CONSIDERATION OF CO-OPTED MEMBERS FOR 2006

It was reported that Paul Wells was interested in joining the Committee but might not be able to attend many meetings due to other commitments. The Events Officer informed the Committee that she was liaising with Sylvia Endacott and Pip Frederick, who were also unable to commit to attending meetings, and would report back to the Committee. It was also reported that Mary Wells did not wish to be on the Committee anymore and the Events Officer has taken over organising the Craft Fair. It was agreed that organisers involved in the Festival does not necessary have to be co-opted and could report through the Events Officer.

61. INITIAL PROPOSALS FOR 2006 EVENT

61.1 OVERALL PROGRAMME

The Events Officer suggested a detailed programme of all events with times and places and also including a map. This would be distributed in advance to enable people to plan their weekend. It was felt that public was not provided with enough information in previous years and the Committee therefore agreed to the proceedings.

Cllr John Hayward reported on a complaint he had received at last year's event and suggested a large board with detailed programme on by the Pier. The Events Officer will contact ADC.

It was reported that Jim Brooks was trying to get a permission to put speakers on lamp posts on the seafront. Perhaps these could be used for the Festival but further details needed to be investigated.

61.2 ENTERTAINMENT

The Events Officer informed the Committee that she had had a meeting with Pip Frederick, he was aware of our budget limit but could put some programme together. At this stage there were not any details available but it was understood that everything was in order.

61.3 SANDCASTLE COMPETITION

It was agreed to keep the same process as last year. It was noted that it is aimed to receive all entry fees and sponsorship before the event. Members agreed that the long low tide on the day would give a good opportunity to all participants. The Committee was informed that once the programme is agreed, the national press would be contacted and previous participants written to.

61.4 CLASSIC VEHICLE CAVALCADE

There had been some issues with the entry fee and the Events Officer reported on the complaints she had received. Members were reminded that the fee was set up in order to gain some commitment to turn up on the day as there had been problems in past when people registered but did not arrive. This was causing many problems in organising the cavalcade. It was felt that with less cars, better organisation could be provided to those who come along and the Committee therefore **AGREED** that all entrants have to pay the entry fee and if any cars turn up on the day without registration, they will not be judged.

It was reported that Amberley Museum would put some buses on this year and the Military Vehicle Trust could come along as well.

61.5 TEDDY BEARS' PICNIC

The Events Officer had written to Mr & Mrs North to see if they were interested in organising the picnic again but there was no response yet. Royal Norfolk Hotel have agreed to provide the use of 2 rooms plus the gardens over the weekend. If we can not run the Teddy Bear's Picnic we will try and organise some other activities for children.

61.6 HISTORY EXHIBITION

It was reported that the Royal Hotel was available and this event would be held in three parts. As this year is the Year of The Pier, there will be a talk on the Pier by Sylvia Endacott and also an exhibition about the Pier, run by Shirley Lewis. The Events Officer had also approached the Local History Society and they expressed an interest in collecting people's stories. This could be based in the Alexandra Theatre together with the History Society Exhibition. The Events Officer will investigate where to obtain some tape recording equipment.

61.7 CRAFT AND GIFT FAIR

It was felt that Gifts were not appropriate last year and it was therefore **AGREED** to have Craft Fair only. As Mary Wells does not wish to continue with this event, the Events Officer had written to some crafts people and received 4 positive responses already.

61.8 DONKEY RIDES

In the absence of Shirley Hardy there was no news on this. Due to some confusion over charges last year, the Events Officer had written to Mr Mager who organised the donkey rides, to get clarification on the price and also the takings. Some consideration would have to be given to cleaning up after the donkeys.

61.9 BATHING MACHINE

It was previously agreed to only have the bathing machine as a part of something but there are no ideas yet.

61.10 FUNFAIR

It was noted that the Funfair could not be on shingle in the middle of the season. Only two per year are allowed and that is just to extend the season. The Place St. Maur was suggested but the Fair could only be held on Sunday due to the Market on Saturday. It was felt that it is not entirely essential and that perhaps a couple of some old fashioned rides could be arranged rather than the modern ones. The Events Officer will liaise with Max Cole.

61.11 OTHER ACTIVITIES

The Events Officer came up with some new ideas for the Festival.

Pétanque game at the Royal Norfolk Hotel was suggested. Some national players had agreed to come and demonstrate the game with the possibility of getting Members of public involved. Cllr John Hayward recounted his experience from Normandy where the game was played from village to village.

The Events Officer is liaising with the Library re a competition for kids that could be held before the Festival.

Possibility of having children's workshops had also been explored. A lady who does mosaic on seaside had been contacted and the Events Officer was awaiting her response.

The Events Officer had contacted to Darell Hardy re the Jet skiers involvement and arranging a certain time.

It was noted that there would be open top buses rides on Sunday. The Events Officer is liaising with Sylvia Endacott and Chris Pearce on that. The Events Officer reported on a model show she had attended in Midhurst. She had obtained a contact for models of Southdown buses and was hoping to get those for the Festival. Cllr John Hayward informed the Committee that his friend is in a possession of a model of Chichester Bus Station with all buses and agreed to speak to him.

The Events Officer is also trying to arrange an exhibition about wildlife on seafront and had contacted Nature Coast Projects if they would like to exhibit on the projects they do. Divers from Selsey had also been contacted re another exhibition.

The Events Officer had contacted the Pier Manager re kite flying and there were no objections on their side. A contact in Brighton had been obtained and would be approached in due course.

There will be an Old Time Musical Show in the Theatre so it will tie in nicely with the Festival. It will be also included on the Festival programme.

The Pier was contacted regarding the historical cut outs of ladies and agreed to get them out for us. The idea would be to take photos of people with these and then converting into postcards. It was felt this would be nice memorabilia. Dragonfly had been contacted and agreed to do it for charge of £2 per sheet (8 postcards) and we could charge £1 per postcard.

The Events Officer is investigating the possibility of having a talk on history of how they used to look at the sea and how they do it now. She is approaching Brighton Museum for contact details.

It was noted that Stephanie Bayley was involved in Ghost Group and agreed to do a walk on Saturday afternoon, starting in Hotham Park.

The Events Officer had contacted Sylvia Endacott re the Treasure Hunt and had been informed that Sylvia Endacott and Paul Wells had done a booklet some time ago. This to be further investigated.

The Committee **AGREED** that the Prom bar could be contacted re putting on BBQ during the weekend.

The Members were reminded that the Hospital Radio caused few problems with our PA system last year and agreed that the background music was intruding.

It was reported that the Jivers were willing to come back again but there might be an issue with the decking. The Events Officer had spoken to Planning Dept. at ADC and was informed that it could be up for 28 days in 1 calendar year. It would have to be put down and taken up each time or a planning application would have to be submitted. The Events Officer agreed to get costings for both propositions.

The Events Officer had investigated the possibility of getting Dragon Boat Races and reported that unfortunately these are now more focused on racing and team building. In answer to a question from the Chairman, the Events Officer agreed to contact Sea Cadets.

62. BUDGET

Confidential budget list was circulated to those present and the Events Officer commented on the estimates for this year. With some of the activities, the Events Officer will be seeking sponsorship to cover costs – e.g. mosaic project.

63. CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was reported to the Meeting. All items were noted unless otherwise specified.

Correspondence re charge for Cavalcade was received from Barnie Lambelt, John Whitney, W White, Malcolm Terheggen, Chris Jenner, Ian Braggins, Mary Miles and David Bennett.

Correspondence re change of date was received from Mark Oldfield and Melvyn Irvine.

Email from Military Vehicle Trust re this year's attendance.

64. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on **TUESDAY 11th April 2006 at 2.00pm in the Council Chamber.**

The meeting ended at 7.20pm