



Skipton Town Council

**MINUTES OF THE EVENTS and TOURISM COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF SKIPTON TOWN HALL
THURSDAY 21st July 2022 AT 6.30PM**

Those present:

Chairman: Councillor W Feather

Councillor L Morgan, Councillor S Bentley, Councillor B McDaid, Councillor K McIntyre, Councillor C Harbron & Councillor A Higgins.

Also present: Mrs L Close, Chief Officer, Mrs J Dean, Deputy Clerk, Mrs H Marshall, Finance manager & Miss H Corrigan, Events Manager.

1 member of the press

1 member of the public arrived at item 13

2223/001 ITEM 1 – Chairman’s remarks

Councillor Feather welcomed everybody to the meeting.

2223/002 ITEM 2 – To accept apologies for absence.

Councillor M Courcier was not present

2223/003 ITEM 3 – To record declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests in items on the agenda.

None disclosed.

2223/004 ITEM 4 – consider the recommendations of the Chief Officer relating to requests for dispensations to Members on items requiring a declaration of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests.

None requested.

2223/005 ITEM 5 – Representations from public.

No members of the public were present

2223/006 ITEM 6 – Committee membership

RESOLVED that Councillor Kettu is a confirmed member of the Events and Tourism Committee.

2223/007 ITEM 7 – Vice Chairman

RESOLVED that Councillor L Morgan is vice chairman of the Events and Tourism Committee.

2223/008 ITEM 8 - Minutes of Previous Meeting.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the committee meeting held on the 10th of March 2022 were a true and accurate record.

2223/009 ITEM 9 – To report and receive information arising from the minutes of items not on the agenda.

There were no matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.



2223/010 **ITEM 10 – Review of Events**

The Event Manager had circulated a review of the recent events and various items were discussed. Ideas were circulated of why the gala had a lack of floats and how we could try and get the local community engaged in this event.

The Councillors thanked the staff for all of their work at the and for the events in the town.

2223/011 **ITEM 11 – Budget**

The budget was received and noted.

Councillor C Harbron asked for more detail regarding the reporting sheet. Mrs L Close confirmed that the system now used is the Rialtus system which is recommended by NALC, however, if members wanted more detail or everything transferring to an excel spreadsheet then this could be done.

2223/012 **ITEM 12 – Events 2023**

The proposed events for 2023 were circulated and discussed. Councillor S Bentley spoke regarding Remembrance Sunday and advised that she felt the parade was not organised correctly last year. The Events Manager advised that she was potentially speaking with the Yorkshire Regiment who had expressed interest in organising the parade this year. Councillor Bentley also confirmed that funding could be applied for Armed Forces Day, and this is something that would be investigated.

Councillor Feather advised that he fully supported the comments made by Councillor Bentley and that the veterans should be looked after although he was not sure that a stand-alone event for Armed Forces Day was viable.

Councillor McDaid advised that research with costings should be completed, and Councillor Harbron advised that events for next year would be part of the budget process.

The Chief Officer confirmed that the events are the part of the budget process, and this is a provisional list that if supported would go to the budget.

2223/013 **ITEM 13 – Youth Activities**

Councillor McDaid advised that we should reach out to young children through social media and ask for feedback. Councillor Bentley advised that she spoke with the Youth Council at Pride although they didn't feel engaged enough with the council.

The event manager gave an overview of how students have been used at all the previous events.

It was confirmed that opinions by way of a survey / opinions from the younger generation would be sought.

2223/014 **ITEM 14 – Ice Rink**

The Town Mayor Councillor R Judge had asked if the Town Council could provide an ice rink for a period during this winter.

All in favour of the idea but needed more information to be sourced.



2223/015 **ITEM 15 – Sustainability Goals**

The sustainability goals were discussed, and it was confirmed that all traders are now asked to be greener and climate aware. The greener the credentials of a trader applying to attend our events ensures a place to trade and there are goals and targets placed in the terms and conditions.

2122/059 **ITEM 15 – Notification of Business for Future Agenda**

Town Crier – Agenda

Events for the Chamber and the refurbished date

With no further business discussed, the meeting closed at 19.17pm.