

**MINUTES OF THE ZOOM VIRTUAL ART, EVENTS AND HERITAGE COMMITTEE
HELD ON TUESDAY 1 DECEMBER 2020**

PRESENT Councillors Oldfield, Dwyer, Hale, Harris, Watson and Angharad

IN ATTENDANCE Emma Smith (Town Clerk) Rosemary Bridges (Assistant
Town Clerk) and 6 members of the public

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AEH73 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
No apologies were received from Councillor Wilkinson

AEH74 VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS
None

AEH75 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS
None

AEH76 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS
Item 14 – Newsletter Distribution – Commercial Information provided
Item 11 – PA System – Consideration of quotes received

AEH77 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- A member of the Belper Community Play stated obviously things change all the time and you know in the light of the vaccine is imminent, think things are likely to change again. I applied to the Arts Council project fund for funding to research and develop and write the script for a site specific community play for Belper. I'm looking at 2022 because these things take such a long time to progress and this first stage of R&D although I've secured the funding for that, the next stage would be at the appropriate time going back to the Arts Council for production funds which will probably be about £50,000. To secure a Community Co-ordinator for one day a week, for 12 weeks to support me in developing this project and also fees for 10 theatre makers to run one off workshops in the community with a view to pass along some skills hopefully generating some enthusiasm for the project and giving people a chance to have a go because I think you know invariably with community plays many people who want to get involved do not necessarily know how they want to be involved, some are very clear. So if we have these taster workshops it gives people a chance to have a go and see what their strengths might be and what their interests might be the principle of the community play is always from my point of view that anyone who wants to be involved will be involved but there is a place for everyone according to what their interests are and what is possible but we do not turn anyone away so at the same time while you want an open door like that you still have to work hard to identify individuals who would like to be involved, groups who would like to be involved, organisations that would like to be involved. I am hoping that a project like this can bring as many of those together as possible and you know wherever possible we work with people from this area we only go outside the area if there is a need that cannot be filled from the immediate community.
- A member of Belper Fringe spoke about events on 11 December local concert on zoom by peak Castle £2.00 per

ticket all money raised will be donated to the Food Bank apart from £11 zoom subscription.

On 20 December the member will be dressing up as Santa Claus and going around various points in Belper accompanied by musicians.

- Fleet Arts are about to do some craft packs to give to twenty teenagers on the Parks Estate through Blend youth group because we cannot do the face to face stuff at the moment. There will be a 1940's singer going to care homes outdoors so that residents can look at them through the window so have a mini outdoor performance safely so that's a bit of festive cheer. Then we have got the lantern trail 'Bright Belper' week where 25 artists have made lanterns to go in 25 venues. Next year Fleet Arts are trying to embrace working outdoors a bit more so I am going to buy a marquee so we can do more of that and some ideas we have got for next year is to carry on doing the sunny Sundays in the Market Place with No.28 and Belper Fringe. To carry on with the window carnivals so doing more performances, maybe mini puppet shows or dances dependent on how Covid goes next year.

- AEH78 MINUTES OF THE ARTS, EVENTS AND HERITAGE MEETING ON 6 OCTOBER 2020**
RESOLVED Committee approved the minutes of the Arts, Events and Heritage Committee meeting held on 6 October 2020.
- AEH79 BELPER COMMUNITY PLAY**
The play is a good way of involving people and a great initiative for the Town.
RESOLVED To note
- AEH80 TEA ROOMS OPENING EVENT**
Tea rooms will not be opened before Easter.
RESOLVED To note
- AEH81 END OF LOCKDOWN CELEBRATION**
RESOLVED Deferred to the next Committee Meeting
- AEH82 VIRTUAL CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE 2020**
The working group are at the point of establishing what songs are available from local artists and making a decision on what material to use.
RESOLVED To note
- AEH83 TOWN GUIDE**
RESOLVED Deferred to Full Council for approval of content.

AEH84 ARTS EVENTS FOR 2021

This has been discussed in the public participation section. Belper Goes Green event has been scheduled for 2021 but is still uncertain regarding restrictions.

RESOLVED To note

AEH85 PROPOSED DATES FOR 2021 EVENTS

4 July 2021 – Summer Food Festival
6,13,20,27 June, 11,18,25 July and 1,8,15,22,29 August 2021 - Larks in the Parks

26 November 2021 – Christmas Light Switch On

5 December 2021 – Christmas Food Festival

24 December 2021 – Christmas Eve Carol Concert

RESOLVED Approved all dates the Larks events to take place in the River Gardens if the Tea Rooms have been completed with the programme agreed last year.

AEH86 ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA AND COMMUNICATIONS WG

RESOLVED End of Lockdown Celebration, Tea Rooms Opening Events and Market Place as a venue for various artists.

That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, a resolution to exclude the Press and Public from the meeting in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, s1, in order to discuss these items has been resolved.

AEH87 PA SYSTEM QUOTE

RESOLVED Awaiting a further quote from Sound Dynamic on a higher specification PA system.

AEH88 TOWN COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

RESOLVED Approved option 3 (2.6) from the report which is the hybrid option. To initiate a more in-depth review of the Council's approach to communications and customer contact.

AEH89 NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED 2 March 2021 location to be confirmed.

The meeting closed at 8.25pm

Signed

Chairperson

Date 2 March 2021