**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE SPECIAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE**

**Held on Wednesday 3rd May 2017**

**Present:** Councillor Mrs E Blezard (Chairman)

Councillor FD Jones

Councillor Mrs HW Jones (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Mrs C Moran

 Councillor B Smith

 Councillor K Wilson, JP

 Mrs M Vickers

**128. Welcome & Apologies**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Members’ apologies for their inability to attend were recorded in the apology book.

**129. Declarations of Interest**

Members were reminded of the requirement to declare an interest on any item in which they had an interest.

 There were no declarations made.

**130. Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960**

There were no items of a confidential nature from which the public and press were required to be excluded.

**131. Minutes**

RESOLVED that the minutes of a meeting of the Special Projects Committee held on Wednesday 5th April 2017 (Minute Numbers 114-127; Pages 59-64) be received as a true record and the contents contained therein be approved.

(Proposed by Councillor B Smith/ Seconded by Councillor FD Jones)

**132. Mayor Making**

The Admin Manager provided members with an update on final
arrangements for the Mayor Making event which was due to be held on Friday 12th May at Greywood Hall.

RESOLVED that:-

1. the report be received; and
2. the event be reviewed at the next meeting.

**133. Great British Get Together**

The Admin Manager provided members with an update on
developments since the last meeting and the Chairman went on to explain the reasons why she felt the planned event agreed at the previous meeting should not now go ahead.

RESOLVED that:-

1. the report be received;
2. no event be organised in Normanton on this occasion; and
3. members be urged to support the event at Heath Common.

**134. Summer Band Concerts**

The Admin Manager updated members on arrangements for the Summer Band Concert which was due to be held on Sunday 2nd July and asked them to consider a date for the second Band Concert.

The Admin Manager informed members that Crofton Silver Band were not taking any further bookings this year so she had contacted Castleford Salvation Army Band and was awaiting a response regarding their availability and price.

RESOLVED that:-

1. the report be received;
2. the Admin Manager be given delegation to book a second band for a concert in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman; and
3. a further report be brought to the next meeting.

**135. Summer Activity Booklet**

The Admin Manager gave members an update on the Summer
Activity Booklet.

RESOLVED that:-

1. the report be received; and
2. a further update be brought to the next meeting.

**136. Party @ Haw Hill Park**

The Admin Manager updated members on arrangements for the
Party @ Haw Hill Park which was due to be held on Saturday 8th July and supplied a copy of the budget and expenditure to date.

Members were asked to consider various potential acts to complete the line-up for the concert.

RESOLVED that:-

1. the report be received;
2. Stevi Ritchie be booked at a fee of £1000 plus hotel room;
3. Hayley Eccles be booked at a fee of £400 plus hotel room;
4. Johnny Mack be asked if he will consider performing for a fee of £400 plus hotel room; and
5. Georgia Harrup or Nadine McGhee be booked if Johnny Mack is not confirmed.

**137. Gala**

The Admin Manager gave members an update on arrangements for the Gala and the bookings that had come in to date.

Members were given an update on the entertainment booked to date along with a breakdown of expenditure and asked to consider a request from the Irish Dance Troupe to perform for a fee of £100.

Members discussed holding a competition for children to design the front cover of the Gala Programme and it was suggested that this would need to go out to schools as soon as possible.

RESOLVED that:-

1. the report be received;
2. the Irish Dancers be booked in principle once further clarification is received on the finer details for the day;
3. a competition be held for local school children to design the front cover of the Gala Programme with a cash prize of £25 for the winning child and a cash prize of £50 for child’s school; and
4. the possibility of arranging a swimming gala be looked into and discussed further at the next meeting.

**138. Horticultural Show**

The Admin Manager updated members on arrangements for the
Horticultural Show and informed them that there was still a problem in securing a Dahlia Judge as all the ones contacted had already been booked or would be attending the Harrogate Show which fell on the same weekend. There was a possibility that a Chrysanthemum Judge might be available who could judge the dahlias but he would not be able to award any medals from the National Dahlia Society. Hopefully we would have clarification on this in the next couple of days.

RESOLVED that the report be received.

**139. Updates on Other Events**

 There were no further updates to be discussed at this meeting.

**140. Date and Time of Next Meeting**

RESOLVED that the next meeting be held on either Wednesday 7th or Wednesday 14th June 2017 at 11.00am.

In the absence of any further business the Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting.