



## Minutes of the Events Committee Meeting

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November at 2.00 pm held at Wickersley Community Centre

Members : (Acting Chair) Cllrs C Grimes, P Beighton, E Boswell, B McNeely, J Robinson

In attendance: Cllrs C Grimes, P Beighton, E Boswell, B McNeely, J Robinson

Also in attendance: J Whitworth (Assistant Clerk), M Goodge

The Chair welcomed all the attendees.

**239 To receive apologies for absence**

No apologies

**240 To approve minutes of last meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

Proposed by Cllr Grimes, seconded by Cllr Beighton and all in agreement the minutes were agreed and signed.

**241 To resolve if members of the press and public are to be excluded from any agenda items of the meeting due to the nature of the business to be transacted. Under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, S1 (2)**

There are no matters to be excluded.

**242 To note any matters arising from the meeting of 17<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

The small tree which is placed near to the Tanyard will be purchased this week and put in place.

Signed :

Councillor Christine Grimes

dated :

30<sup>th</sup> January  
2024

### 242 To receive financial update

Events inc. Christmas Lights	£6,992.34	£4,015.28	£11,007.62	£11,000.00	£7.62
<b>Total Events</b>	<b>£6,992.34</b>	<b>£4,015.28</b>	<b>£11,007.62</b>	<b>£11,000.00</b>	<b>£7.62</b>
Event Income & Donations	£1,414.36	£0.00	£1,414.36	£0.00	£1,414.36
<b>Total Events</b>	<b>£1,414.36</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£1,414.36</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£1,414.36</b>

So far there is £390 in donations for the Christmas lights and some is still awaited.

An issue occurred last year where 2 performers hadn't received their donations, the chair proposed to include last years amount with this years, this was seconded by Cllr Robinson and all were in agreement.

Discussions need to take place about next years event as to whether to charge stalls rather than ask for a donation.

With regards the lights next year there is potentially 2 more areas in Wickersley which will have Christmas lights. This needs consideration as there is nothing within the budget for the additional electricity supply cost. Assistant Clerk to raise this with the Clerk.

It was proposed by the chair that any remaining budget be used to purchase additional lights, this was seconded by Cllr Beighton and all were in agreement.

### 243 Debrief Christmas Lights

#### Pre-Event

This went well and the committee felt supported by other Councillors. One of the entertainers stepped in at short notice and it was agreed to give him a donation. The Chair proposed this and Cllr Robinson seconded, it was agreed by the committee.

Appreciation was given for the volunteers who attended to help.

The caretaker confirmed that the pre set up went very well together with the running of the event.

#### Actual Event

It was agreed that the 1 way system that was in place worked better this year.

Signed :



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dated :

30<sup>th</sup> January  
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There isn't a lot of lighting outside, however it was agreed that if more lighting was put up this may not have the same effect. A suggestion was made to put barriers onto the grassed area in front of the community centre as it was noted people were standing on it which was destroying the plants.

**After Event**

It was agreed that not having the light up wands to give out helped with the litter picking afterwards. The event ran well.

**244 To discuss potential use of the Tanyard for next years event**

In previous years the Cricket Club had offered the use of their premises for the Christmas lights switch on, the decision to not hold the event there was not brought to the events committee. If the use of the Tanyard is being considered then maybe the Cricket club should also be considered.

With regards to the Tanyard it is a private road, agreement would be needed from the owners about holding the event there. One of the councillors has already approached the shops and the majority are in agreement. The road would have to be closed off in both directions and consideration given to whether any of the other roads leading onto the Tanyard would need to be closed.

The caretaker was asked about this and his views were that the amount of work involved would almost double. Toilets would be needed as there are only the Tanyard toilets, a generator would also need to be taken. There would need to be power for the entertainment area also.

Consideration needs to be given to the area and how much extra area there would be at the Tanyard bearing in mind that there are also stalls within the community centre.

Discussions took place about having a large Christmas tree at the Tanyard on the grassed area. This land belongs to Rotherham Council so would need permission from them to install a large tree. A base would need installing and also a feeder pillar.

In respect of the cricket club, concern would be that it would be their event and not one organised by the Parish Council.

The committee were asked to prepare a list of things for and against and have a meeting in January to discuss this fully.

**245 To discuss 2024 events and meeting requirements**

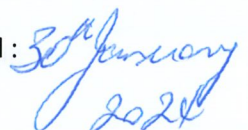
It was understood that committees were taking on certain events but the Events Committee would still organise the lights switch on for 2024 and the poppies for the remembrance day.

Signed :



Councillor Christine Grimes

dated :





Date of next meeting 30 January 2024 at 6.30pm

Signed :

Councillor Christine Grimes

dated :