



Ware Town Council

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COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday 14th September 2020

Via zoom starting at 7.30pm

MINUTES

Cllrs Ballam (Chair), Butcher, Kaye (from CE100) Reed, Shaw (V).

Officer present: Terry Philpott Town Clerk,

Members of the public:

CE096: To receive and accept Apologies for Absence

- Cllr Fernando

CE097: To receive any Declarations of Interest and review any requests for Dispensation submitted to the Clerk.

- None declared

CE098: Minutes from the previous meeting: to receive and sign the minutes of the last Community and Environment meeting held on 20th July 2020.

Resolved: The minutes are an accurate record

CE099: Correspondence and Clerks report (TP)

- River Railings work ongoing, several complaints received by WTC on the tardiness of Thames Water to facilitate the repairs, Thames Water now undertaking work in house, delayed due to Covid furlough.
- Towpath bridge repairs update.

CE100: CCTV in Ware (TP)

A meeting was held on 9th September, the work to provide new CCTV provision for WTC is ongoing, further updates will be provided to future meetings with requests for expenditure to Full Council.

CE101: Events update. (RM)

The report from the events manager was noted, key points:

Cinema: Deferred until January 2021, an email update will be provided

Summer Concerts: The Bullenbush Band, played as part of the Sunday 'pub in the park'. The Carol Concert will not take place this year.

Ware Festival/Rock in the Priory: Planning for 2021 will take place via zoom in the next few weeks.

Other organisations

Remembrance: Ware RBL are making tentative plans to hold a parade, service and wreath laying on 8th November. There will also be the usual small gathering at the war memorial on 11th November.

The **Rotary Firework Display** will not take place this year.

Dickensian Evening has been cancelled, however, there is a possibility of some virtual event to take its place.

Other East Herts Towns, none have plans for community events before the end of the year.

Newsletter: The fortnightly newsletter has proved popular the recommendation is to continue.

Covid 19 Fund: The fund is now closed. Positive feedback has been received from the community.

Going forward 2021:

Consideration needs to be given to

- Guided Tours of Ware
- Food Festival
- Programme of Summer Concerts – to coincide with 'Pub in the Park'?
- Heritage Weekend
- Any new events for consideration.

CE102: Allotment fees 2021/22 (TP/ST)

To note the report attached from Shella Turner (attached)

Resolved: The allotment fees from 2021/22 will be maintained at the current level.

CE103: Cemetery Liaison Group (TP)

The liaison group have met via zoom and continue to be active, additional bird boxes will be installed in October, plus bat boxes to be made by the grounds team.

The wildflower area was not successful this season, we will try again next year.

CE104: Environmental Policy (TP)

Resolved: To adopt the policy

CE105: Christmas Lights

It was agreed at a previous meeting that the following would be reviewed for implementation in 2020 or 2021.

The revised updated theme to include:

- Retain the current lanterns
- To introduce some focal points
- To have a tree or other focal point in Tudor Square
- Extend the range of lights to Baldock Street roundabout.
- Investigate Lumiere at The Priory.

It is proposed that the update schemes are still introduced

CE106: Agenda items for next meeting 9th November 2020

Health and Wellbeing. Proposal from Cllr Curtis



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