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Minutes

of the

Events and Town Centre Management Committee meeting held 18th February 2019

In the Lower Council Chamber of the Town Council Offices

E18/068 Present

Cllrs Malloy, Coan, Beswick and Power

In attendance: L Benskin (*Deputy Town Clerk*)

E18/069 To receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Mrs Wells-Bradshaw, Hutchence, Farber and Wells-Bradshaw (personal business)

E18/070 To note declarations of members' interests

Cllr Power declared a non-pecuniary interest as a member of St Vincent's Church and a Catenian with respect to the Crib service.

E18/071 Public Participation

No members of the Public wished to speak

E18/072 To receive and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 10th December 2018

It was **RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes.

E18/073 To consider the committee budget and spending to date

The budget and spend to date were considered and noted.

E18/074 To receive a report from the Town Centre Manager

The report was noted. Cllr Beswick asked as to what the concerns of the businesses were with respect to the Makers Market and as to what was considered an 'unrealistic rent'. The Deputy Town Clerk advised that the businesses were concerned about losing the Makers Market and the income it provides and no specific figures has been provided with respect to the rents.

E18/075 To consider matters related to the Bunny Hop

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the outline plan and delegate authority to officers to organise the same and that authority be delegated to officers to use the remainder of the budget (£47) to purchase healthy alternatives to sweets or non-food items to be distributed to retailers to hand out to participants.

E18/076 To consider matters related to Christmas events 2019

It was **RESOLVED** that

- a) the outlined plan be approved, and authority delegated to officers to organise the same including the re-tendering of the event supply contract for which costings for batteries in place generators are to be explored.
- b) reindeer should not be booked at this stage with alternative options being considered and presented to a future meeting
- c) Church representatives be contacted to ascertain their views on the revised crib service plans for decision at a future meeting
- d) the dates for the 2020 and 2021 Christmas Weekend be set as 28th/29th November 2020 and 27th/28th November in 2021.

E18/077 To consider matters related to Wallwood Flowers

It was **RESOLVED** that the project should proceed as detailed in report E1826.

E18/078 To consider the creation of an 'extra mile' award as part of the Town Awards

It was **RESOLVED** to amend the Town Awards Policy to add:

- The Extra Mile award will be made to an individual who, in their capacity as an employee, has gone the extra mile in their work to the benefit of the Knutsford community
- The Extra Mile award will comprise a badge and framed certificate

E18/079 To discuss ideas and opportunities for promoting events

It was **RESOLVED** to hold a stall at one Makers Market in advance of each the Music Festival and Christmas Weekend. It was agreed that May and October would be most appropriate and that the Music Festival should also be promoted at Pub in the Park.

E18/080 Member questions to the Clerk

No questions were raised.

E18/081 To consider the actions log

The action log was reviewed and updated where necessary.

E18/082 To note the date of the next meeting

The date was noted.