

**Minutes of the Tourism & Leisure Committee
held on Thursday 17 February 2022 @ 6.00pm**

Present: Cllr Campbell, Cllr Johnson, Cllr Richards, Cllr Terrett and Cllr Whetlor

In attendance: Sarah Reed, Town Clerk, Fiona Payne (Watchet Visitor Centre) Sara Summers (RBL)

21/137A **To receive Apologies for Absence:** Cllr Johnson proposed that *'the apologies from Cllrs Ellwood and Irven are accepted'*. Seconded by Cllr Campbell. Carried.

21/138A **To receive Declarations of Interest:** None at this point

21/139A **Tourism Matters:**

(i) Presentation for a financial contribution towards the printing of the 2022-2023 tourism leaflet - **decision required**- *draft leaflet issued to members prior to the meeting via Appendix 1*- After a brief discussion where members submitted amendments, Cllr Johnson proposed that **'approval is given to allocate from the Committee budget £524 to cover the print cost of 4,000 leaflets'**. Seconded by Cllr Campbell. Carried with 3 votes for and 2 abstentions.

(ii) To consider the request from the Visitor Centre to relocate the cake stand and x1 hanging basket from the entrance of the building- **Appendix 2** – *circulated to members prior to the meeting*- a short discussion ensued whereby Cllr Whetlor proposed that the **'flower cake stand remains in situ at the entrance to the Visitor Centre, but is moved slightly to accommodate a new seat, and the hanging basket, which is located above the new noticeboard is repositioned'**. Seconded by Cllr Campbell. Carried.

21/140A **Queens Platinum Jubilee:**

(i) Update and recommendations from the working group- **report circulated to members prior to the meeting**- Cllr Whetlor welcomed members of the working group and outlined the proposed programme for the event. The Clerk gave a detailed breakdown of costings- Cllr Richards proposed that the **'following recommendations are approved, and recommendation 1 is presented to Full Council in March for budget allocation from ear marked reserves'**

1. **That the Jubilee Working Group be granted up to £3500 (as supported by the presented costings) from reserves to fund the children's workshops on the Thursday, the event on the Saturday and incidentals to go with this.**
2. **Agree to co-opt onto the Working Group, Fiona Payne and Bernice Danby**

Seconded by Cllr Terrett. Carried with 4 votes for and 1 abstention.

21/141A **Henry Davey:**

(i) Skate Park – working group update and recommendations– *the following reports were circulated to members prior to the meeting*

1. Notes from the working group meeting held on 11 January 2022
2. Digital consultation response results and important aspects raised
3. Tender application- copy

Cllr Johnson proposed that the **'following recommendations are approved:**

1. **To note the Working Group report and consultation feedback**
2. **To approve the tender document and delegate the Clerical Officer to proceed with the tender process with advice from WG members when appropriate**- Seconded by Cllr Whetlor. Carried. Members wanted thanks to the Clerical Officer and Maverick's Skateparks put on record.

21/142A **Matters for the next meeting:**

- Liaise with the Clerk

Meeting closed at 6.25pm

Signed: Edy Swen

Dated: 10/3/22