

**Minutes of the Recreation & Tourism Committee held on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2024 at 6.00pm**

**Present:** Cllrs Brake, Johnson, Richards, Terrett (Chair), & Whetlor

**In attendance:** Jo Grellier - Town Clerk, Fiona Payne – Visitor Centre Manager, Onion Collective

24/45A **To Receive Apologies for Absence** (LGA 1972, section 85 (1))  
Cllr Terrett proposed that **'Apologies given by Cllr Campbell are accepted'**. Seconded by Cllr Whetlor. Carried.

24/46A **To receive any Declaration of Interests** under Watchet Town Council's Code of Conduct (adopted on 9 July 2012) issued in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 and the Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 Si No: 1464

Name	Minute no	Description of Interest	Personal & Prejudicial	Action
Cllrs, Whetlor, Terrett, Richards	24/49A	Conservation Society members	Personal	Cllr remained in the meeting and took part in the discussion and voting.

24/47A **To confirm and sign the Minutes of the Committee meeting held on 14th December 2023** (LGA 1972, Sch 12 Para 41 (1) - (paperwork circulated to members prior to the meeting via **Appendix 1**)  
Cllr Terrett proposed that **'the minutes of the meeting on 14th December 2023 are a true and accurate record'**. Second by Cllr Brake. Carried.

24/48A **Welcome to Watchet' leaflet:**  
(i) To approve a financial contribution for the printing costs of the 2024 'Welcome to Watchet' leaflet designed by the Onion Collective – Presentation by Onion Collective, in their absence an update from the Clerk (paperwork circulated prior to the meeting **Appendix 2**)  
Fiona Payne, Visitor Centre Manager attended to present a proposal for WTC to fund the printing costs of the 2024 Welcome to Watchet leaflet. A discussion ensued. Cllr Johnson proposed that **'the committee approve the request for £625.00 for the printing cost of 5000 2024 Welcome to Watchet leaflets on the proviso that a copy of the final version is submitted to the committee before printing'**. Seconded by Cllr Richards. Carried.

24/49A **Additional municipal floral maintenance:**  
(i) Request from Watchet Conservation Society - (paperwork tabled at the meeting)  
The Clerk informed members that no formal request has been received. Item deferred until request received.

24/50A **Esplanade:**  
(i) Approval of bookings: if required  
A. West Somerset Morris Dancers - Morris Dancing Display (27th April 2024)  
Cllr Terrett proposed that **'the booking is approved on proviso that all documentation is received prior to the booking'**. Seconded by Cllr Johnson. Carried.

24/51A Matters for the next meeting – verbal, no discussion

- Liaise with Clerk
- WACET summer flower planting request



Meeting closed at 6.14pm

Signed  .....

Date 22/2/23 .....

