



Minutes of the Events Committee Meeting
held at the Council Meeting Room, Trane Cemetery, Tonyrefail
at 6:30pm on Thursday 12th November 2024

Present: Cllr Dan Owen-Jones (Chair)
Cllr Mary Davies
Cllr Austin Davies
Cllr Amanda Richards
Cllr Ceirion Skym
Cllr Greg Powell

Absent: Cllr Danny Grehan

Officers: Mrs Aingie Cripps Melody (Deputy Clerk)

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence received from Cllr Grehan.

2. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest given.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting: 22nd October 2024

It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: To agree the minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 22nd October 2024 as a true and accurate record.

4. To note the financial report for period ending 10th November 2024

The Deputy Clerk presented the Events Committee with an Income & Expenditure report for the period 1/4/24-08/11/24.

5. To Consider past events

a) Fireworks Event

Cllr Owen-Jones began by raising concerns about the organisation of the Fireworks event, notably the lack of space for the number of attendees in the designated viewing area. In addition it was agreed by the committee that vehicle parking on the roads surrounding Tynybryn park led to double and triple parking in the road which then caused a bus to get stuck and the police were involved in clearing the road.

Staff were open to abuse while manning gates around the park.

Cllr A Davies raised concerns over the ratio of marshals to visitors being too low. It was felt that there were insufficient marshals for the number of visitors.

The Committee noted that there was no mention of the involvement of the Community Council at the event.

b) Remembrance Day Service

Cllr Owen-Jones gave thanks to the Deputy Clerk for her work in arranging the Remembrance Day Service.

Feedback received from Committee members was that the event was well run and it was the best they had attended; in addition the new Reverend was praised for holding an excellent service.

6. To Receive Update on Christmas Trees

The Deputy Clerk provided an update on the order of business Christmas trees, advising that the list of businesses to receive small trees had been compiled with the assistance of Cllr Skym and that the order had been placed with the supplier.

The committee agreed that the tree supplied to the Workmens club will be 22ft and that trees for The Square and Edmondstown will be 22ft and 18ft and will be billed to Cllr Owen-Jones directly.

To Discuss Upcoming Events

a) Seniors Dinner – 5th December 2024

I. To agree guest list

It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: to charge all councillors £5 to attend the event and that they may bring their partners who will also pay a £5 ticket price.

II. Current ticket sales

The Deputy Clerk provided an update that at the time of the meeting approximately 25 of the 130 seniors tickets remain available for purchase.

b) Christmas Event – 1st December 2024

The Committee discussed concerns over the small logo and mention of the Community Council on the advertising posters for this event. The organisers had been asked to liaise with Committee members prior to publishing but this did not happen.

The committee agreed that serious thought must be given in the coming year over whether to support this event going forward or for the Community Council to organise and host their own Christmas event.

7. To Discuss Christmas Tree Lighting

Cllr Owen-Jones confirmed that he had arranged directly with Centregreat for the Christmas tree lights at the Square to be switched on Saturday 30th November first and then all other street lights will be switched on the same evening.

The Deputy Clerk queried whether there would be any additional charge from Centregreat for this weekend service and Cllr Owen-Jones advised that there would not be. Should any charges arise the Deputy Clerk will direct these to Cllr Owen-Jones to resolve with Centregreat.

8. To Discuss Upcoming Events – Quarter 4 (January – March 2025)

a) Update on Possible service for Auschwitz Birkenau anniversary

The committee agreed that they did not wish to proceed with any event to mark this anniversary.

The Deputy Clerk enquired whether there were any other events the Committee would like to host; an Easter rock hunt was suggested which the committee were happy to support and will discuss further at the next opportunity.

9. To Discuss Budget Requirements for next Financial Year

The committee discussed applying for a National Lottery grant of £10,000 to support the hosting of a Christmas event for the community in 2025.

The committee suggested an additional budget allowance of £250 to use toward an Easter event with all other items in the budget to remain the same.

10. Date of the next meeting

The next extra meeting will be held on Tuesday 14th January 2025

Meeting concluded at 8:00pm