



New Alresford Town Council

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Community and Tourism Committee held electronically on Tuesday 19th January 2021 commencing at 7.30pm

Name	Present	Apologies	Absent
Cllr Evans (SE) (Chair)	✓		
Cllr Jones (JJ) (Vice-Chair)	✓		
Cllr Bean (AB)	✓		
Cllr Cavell (SJC)	✓		
Cllr Divall (KD)	✓		
Cllr Holmes (SH)	✓		
Cllr Weston (MW)	✓		

ALSO PRESENT: Liz Jenkinson – Clerk’s Assistant & Marcia Philibert – Town Clerk
Chair of Alresford Chamber of Commerce

The Chair welcomed all present to the meeting.

CT20/70 Approve apologies for absence.
No apologies received.

CT20/71 Dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests under Section 33 of the Localism Act 2011.
None received

CT20/72 Declarations of disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests on items on the agenda.
None received

CT20/73 Public participation
The Committee was asked if C&T would be participating in Hampshire Highways Transportation Survey. (Action: to be referred to the Planning Committee for consideration)

A member of the public also asked if C&T/Council would take any communication initiatives after this Lockdown to deter infringement of government restrictions.

CT20/74 Approve minutes and recommendations of the Community & Tourism Committee meeting held on 15th December 2020
RESOLVED: That the minutes and recommendations of the Community and Tourism Committee meeting held on 15th December 2020 be approved

Proposed: JJ		Second: SH	
For: All	Against:	Abstain:	

CT20/75 **Chairman’s and local society updates – For information only**

An update from WCC was circulated prior to meeting. No questions.

Chamber of Commerce reported that the present Lockdown had been even harder for businesses. CofCs focus had been helping businesses to apply for COVID grants.

CofC outlined the results of their Car Parking Survey. The Chair stated that C&T would make a response after the Stakeholders meeting on 25th January when further details on plans for parking in Alresford were known.

CofC requested that C&T decide on whether to fund future CofC projects, so that they could budget for events.

CT20/76 **Clerk’s Report**

The Clerk’s report was reviewed and updated.

Of note:

- Following a discussion it was agreed that JJ would provide a detailed event plan for Alresford Automotive Show at C&T meeting in February prior to consideration at the Town Council meeting
- Communications Strategy written and to be reviewed.
- Ideas for “completing” the telephone kiosk requested for next meeting.
- JJ reported on meeting with Think Creative Consultants
- Town Rejuvenation & Market Town Support no further action until easing of government restrictions.

CT20/77 **Committee Income and Expenditure report and budget**

The income and expenditure finance report was noted. The current expenditure against plan was discussed, noting a year to date underspend against budget. Ideas were sought on additional projects to be completed before year end.

Recommendation 1: Ideas for additional projects before end of financial year to be presented at next meeting.

CT20/78 **Approve the quote for the Hanging Baskets and Troughs Scheme 2021**

It was noted that only one quote was available for the supply, maintenance and watering of the Hanging Baskets and Troughs Scheme 2021, due to no other provider being able to provide the same service. A debate ensued about the increase in costs to the overall project and whether savings could be found.

RESOLVED: That the quote from Hanging Garden be approved and the anticipated increase in cost of the Hanging Basket and Troughs Scheme from £14,650 to £15,269 be approved.

Proposed: AB	Second: KD	
For: All	Against:	Abstain:

2033hrs – JJ made his apologies and left the meeting.

CT20/79

Approve a spend of up to £750 for the creation of a knitted river of poppies to commemorate Remembrance Day

RESOLVED: That a spend of up to £750 for the creation of a knitted river of poppies to commemorate Remembrance Day 2021 be approved.

Proposed: AB	Second: MW	
For: All	Against:	Abstain:

CT20/80

Agree for a nominated member from the Community and Tourism Committee to attend the Co-ordinating Alresford meeting on 27th January 2021 and then report back to the Committee.

It was agreed that KD would attend the Co-ordinating Alresford meeting and then report back to the Committee.

CT20/81

Approve a response to the Winchester City Council consultation on proposals for E commerce opportunities for independent businesses

RESOLVED: That C&T welcomed WCC's support and encouragement for local businesses in Alresford but we would need further information before C&T could make a decision about the project.

Proposed: SE	Second: SH	
For: All	Against:	Abstain:

Chair concluded the meeting at 20:47 hrs

Date of next meeting will be held virtually on Tuesday 16 February 2021, commencing at 7.30pm