



New Alresford Town Council

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Community and Tourism Committee held on Tuesday 15th June 2021 at Alresford Recreation Centre commencing at 7.30pm

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

ALSO PRESENT: Liz Jenkinson – Clerk’s Assistant
Two members of New Alresford Town Trust – R Atkins & E Jeffs

The Chair welcomed all present to the meeting.

CT21/01 Approve apologies for absence.
No apologies received.

CT21/02 Dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests under Section 33 of the Localism Act 2011.
None received

CT21/03 Declarations of disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests on items on the agenda.
None received

CT21/04 Public participation
The Chair of New Alresford Town Trust gave an update on activities (CT21/07 refers)

CT21/05 Approve minutes and recommendations of the Community & Tourism Committee meeting held on 20th April 2021
RESOLVED: That the minutes and recommendations of the Community and Tourism Committee meeting held on 20th April 2021 be approved.

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

CT21/06 Elect a Vice Chair of the Community and Tourism Committee
Cllr Weston was elected as Vice Chair of the Community and Tourism Committee for the municipal year 2021/22

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

CT21/07 Chairman’s and local society updates – For information only

No updates received

New Alresford Town Trust (NATT)

The Chair of NATT gave an update on the status of their activities and events. In summary:

- The brocante market was held on 3.5.21 which had 30 stalls and was well attended but not in the usual numbers due to adverse weather. The next brocante market would be on 26.9.21.
- The French market had been cancelled due to COVID but the October Fair would go ahead subject to the easing of COVID restrictions.
- The market in Broad St had been running every Thursday this year initially limited to food but had expanded with the easing of COVID restrictions. He stated there was difficulty finding enough space for all the stalls which was further hampered by inappropriate parking.
- An Open Day was held at the Eel House, the Museum, and the Norman Bridge (294 people) on 31.5.21 with 750 visitors who made donations of £420 . Next open days 11.7.21, 30.8.21 and 12.9.21. All events were run by 20 volunteers and COVID compliant. He stated that these events brought Alresford into focus.

The Council was invited to attend the dedication of a bench in memory of Pam Stevens to be unveiled by MP Steve Brine and the 51st anniversary of the mini-bus. He reported on the £10,000 cost of maintaining the Avenue and that, as a conservation area, signage was subject to planning permission

CT21/08 Clerk’s Report

The following to be updated and actioned:

- Further thought was being given to how to secure the planter on side of phone box due to concerns with creating holes leading to more leakage issues
- Members expressed their disappointment with the floral displays this year due to the lack of plant varieties and sparseness of plants. Clerk to contact the supplier for their comments.

CT21/09 Review and approve the terms of reference for the committee

This item was deferred.

CT21/10 Receive an update from the working group on a walking and cycling guide for Alresford

An update was received, and a discussion ensued. The committee agreed with the recommendations namely the 1hr length of walks, ideas for the layout and content of the guide, and the use of the £2,500 grant from the Welcome Back fund towards printing costs.

CT21/11 Receive an update from the working group on Standing Operating Procedures for NATC Events

An update was received. The committee agreed with the recommendation that the SOP should be reviewed by Council staff.

CT21/12 Allocation of responsibilities for activities to committee members

Councillor	Project	Aim
Holmes	Town Crier	Investigate the possibilities of using the Town Crier for town events. (CT19/89 refers)
Cavell	Toilet Facilities	Investigate the possibility of improving the toilets in Station Road.
Divall Jeffer	Liaison with local groups & organisations	Work with local groups for the benefit of the community and the town
Weston	Outdoor Theatre Events	Liaising with theatre groups about possibility of performing on NATC open spaces
Jones	Picnic in the Park	Explore the possibility of a community event

RESOLVED that the allocation of responsibilities for activities for committee members be approved.

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

CT21/13 Review and agree events where the NATC logo feather flags can be used

20th June 2021 Rotary 10k Run

27th June 2021 Pam Stevens Memorial Bench dedication

Councillor Street Surgeries held in Broad St and Mitford Road

RESOLVED that the use of NATC feather flags at these events and other appropriate events, subject to permissions, if required, be approved.

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

CT21/14 Approve writing to Hampshire County Council to request comparative usage data for the Alresford Household Waste Recycling Centre (HWRC)

Councillor report noted which outlined concerns following observations of the lack of use of the tip due to the introduction of the booking system. A discussion ensued.

RESOLVED to request from Hampshire County Council comparative usage data for Alresford HWRC pre and post booking system be approved.

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

CT21/15 To note financial position to date

The budget report was noted.

Chair concluded the meeting at 2143 hrs

Date of next meeting will be held on Tuesday 20th July 2021, commencing at 7.30pm