WARWICK TOWN COUNCIL

COMMUNITY & CULTURAL COMMITTEE

6.00pm

Thursday 24 September 2015

PRESENT:

Councillor Mrs C Cross (in the Chair)
Councillors S Cross, Mrs D Da Cruz, R Eddy, R Edgington, G Guest,
J Holland and the Mayor (ex officio)
Mrs B Allen

Apologies

Apologies for inability to attend were received on behalf of Councillor T Morris Ms N Curwood, Mrs L Holroyd and Ms M Hooper

Declarations of Interest

Members did not notify the Town Clerk of any matters arising from the agenda on which Members might have an interest of a personal or prejudicial nature.

Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 17 August 2015 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Town Twinning

In the Absence of the Chairman of Warwick Twinning Association there was an agreement from the Committee for the Council Leader and Mayor to meet with the Association to consider the ongoing relationship with 'Twinning' and the way forward.

Euro Camp

In light of the 'Warwick in Bloom Awards' ceremony to take place directly after the meeting the report for the Eurocamp would be taken at the next Community & Culture meeting on 5 November 2015.

Warwick in Bloom

The Mayor, Councillor Mandy Littlejohn reported that Warwick had secured a Gold Award for the third year running from Heart of England in Bloom. It was a great success and all involved were highly commended.

Community Grants

(i) The Chairman introduced the Community Support Application for funding of £5,000 from Racing Club Warwick.

It was acknowledged that the management now in place at Racing Club Warwick were committed to future activities for the Community as well as the present Sports club. Whilst impressed with a full comprehensive completion of the application, the Town Council

suggested that the Club consider an Annual Membership scheme to increase revenue. It was voted to support the application.

The Gap also presented an application for Community Support Funding of £5,000. The Committee acknowledged the services provided by the Gap for the Community and approved the application.

(ii) An Application for a Community Grant was received by the committee from Hill Close Gardens for some external seating. It was agreed to accept the application in principle but a cheaper cost had been established just prior to the meeting. Cllr Littlejohn and Eddy agreed to liaise with Hill Close Gardens to establish the final sum.

Fair Trade

The Application to apply for 'Fair Trade Town' status had been submitted by the Steering Group with the result expected within six weeks. If successful, Councillor Edgington and Mrs Da Cruz would look to report at the next meeting.

Fair Trade also made a Community Grant Application for £250 towards expenses which in light of the hard work by the steering group to achieve 'Fairtrade Town' status was fully supported.

Blue Plaques

- (i) The Assistant Town Clerk reported that the Nelson Club had been confirmed for the siting of the Blue Plaque celebrating the family and descendants of George Nelson. A date and time for the fitting and unveiling of the Plaque would be confirmed and members would be informed. It was also suggested that in a Blue plaque be investigated for Guy Montague Nelson and for a donation from the family to achieve this.
- (i) The Assistant Town Clerk also reported that the accepted nomination for a Blue Plaque for Arthur Measures had been received by his family very favourably. An initial had taken place with discussion with some further investigation into cost and a donation towards the plaque to take place.

Signed	Date