



WARWICK TOWN COUNCIL

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COMMUNITY & CULTURAL COMMITTEE

7th SEPTEMBER 2017

MINUTES

Present:

Councillor PS Birdi

Councillor Mrs D Da Cruz

Councillor Mrs C Cross

The Mayor (Ex Officio)

Councillor R Edgington

Councillor J Holland

Councillor Mrs M Littlejohn (Chair)

Councillor T Morris

Co-opted Members:

Unlocking Warwick representative – Gina Tipton, Bernie Allen WDC.

137. Apologies: Cllr R Eddy, Cllr N Murphy.

138. Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests. - None

139. Minutes of the meeting held on 14th June 2017. It was resolved to approve the minutes as a true record.

140. (i) Town Twinning – confirmation of dates for partnership meeting in 2018
Dates were agreed to be 10th – 13th June 2018. To be confirmed by the other Towns.

(ii) Euro Camp 2017 - Students to present

Connor, Jack, Luke, Nadia, Josephine all from Aylesford School made a presentation to the Councillors summarising their 2-week Euro camp visit to Formigine Italy. Roger Smith Warwick Twinning attended to encourage Twinning for the future.

Thanks, were given to Warwick Twinning for the pocket money given and to George for his help in co-ordinating the trip.

141. Warwick in Bloom

Accounts presented for information. Cllr Mrs M Littlejohn explained the background to the Sponsorship with Poundland. Positive feedback has been received regarding the Red and White colour scheme this year. The RHS Heart of England Awards are being held at

Warwick Castle on the 14th September, sponsored by Poundland and supported by Warwick Castle. A brochure has been produced with the Chamber of Trade to advise of where to stay and what to do in Warwick and offering £2 voucher for Poundland.

Next year's suppliers – agree specifications for quote and Companies to be approached.

The specification is being sent to Nurseries within a 50-mile radius of Warwick and also placed on a central website used by some Councils. The outcomes will be discussed at the next Community and Culture meeting in November 2017.

Local awards are being presented this evening and thanks were given to Cllr R Eddy for the design of the presentation.

Agree colour scheme and pricing for baskets 2018 – in 2018 we are celebrating 100 years since the end of World War one. The suggestion was to theme the colours Red White and Blue for this reason. All agreed.

142. Community Engagement

Heritage Lottery Application update. The first tranche of monies have been received to appoint the temporary role co-ordinating the project.

'In the Ballroom' Social Group Project- Unlocking Warwick to report. Gina Tipton summarised the event and highlighted events planned for the forthcoming year.

Tea Dances – Cllr Mrs D Da Cruz to update – Cllr Mrs D Da Cruz advised that the Tea Dances were growing slowly but surely. All were enjoying the tuition and it is hoped, through communication more people from CV34 will attend and the event will continue into 2018.

Unlocking Warwick – Gina advised that Warwick Events Guide is now produced in booklet form. There are 11 tours this year, so far 130 visitors have enjoyed the tour. Bespoke Tours have been organised also.

Leamington-based Divertimento Choral Group returned to the Court House for the 3rd year to perform a summer concert- Full English music from different periods.

Volunteers supported the Kineton Parade, serving teas and Marshalling. This year's Regency Ball is sold out - a very popular event. Also sold out Jane Austen Tea, part of the Warwick Words Festival. Thanks, were passed to the Unlocking Warwick Team for their support for this event and to the Court House.

143. Holocaust – review service for 2018/9 – Councillors were advised that Holocaust fell on a Saturday in 2018 and Sunday in 2019. As the events involved local schools it is unlikely that the events will go ahead during those years.

144. Yeomanry Museum – request for a plaque to be placed on the wall of the Court House to mark the centenary of the charge at HUJ, Palestine and the 75th Anniversary of the Battle of El Alamein. – Mjr D Hardy attended to advise Councillors of the background for the request. All were in favour. Mjr D Hardy also summarised the history of the table in the Council chamber and agreed to provide the Town Clerk with the history of the table, to be displayed with the table. The table is on loan to the Town Council from the Yeomanry and was once used by the Earl of Warwick.

145. Community Forums

Update from Mrs B Allen WDC – The number of forums have reduced to 2, due to funding cuts. The Community grant fund has increased to a budget of £20k, the closing date for grant applications will be the end of January 2018. The dates of the Community Forum meetings are as follows:

19th October – Warwick Space

18th March - Emscote.

The Town Clerk asked for posters to be sent to her to advertise the forums.

146. Fairtrade.

Report from Councillors Mrs D.Da Cruz & R Edgington – Cllr. Mrs D Da Cruz attended a Publicity event held at Sainsbury’s. Concerns we discussed regarding the future of Fairtrade. Supermarkets are using other ethical Companies and the need for Towns to have status has disappeared. Therefore, it was concluded that the Town Council would support the initiative but not attend future meetings.

147. Community Grant Applications

Safeline Warwick - £1,500

The grant application was for a new initiative - Getting local young people into work. Councillors supported the grant to be paid once the CV34 participants were known.

Signed..... Dated.....