

WARWICK TOWN COUNCIL

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Jayne Topham Town Clerk

COMMUNITY & CULTURE COMMITTEE

28th SEPTEMBER 2022

Present:

Councillor Mrs L Butler Councillor R Eddy Councillor Mrs MA Grainger Councillor Ms M Noone (sub) Councillor N Butler (sub) Councillor R Edgington Councillor T Morris

Co-opted Members: Mrs B Allen WDC

MINUTES

- **136.** To elect a Chairman for the Municipal Year 2022/23 Cllr R Eddy was nominated all were in favour there were no other nominations received.
- 137. Apologies: The Mayor (Ex Officio), Councillor M Ashford, Councillor N Murphy,

Councillor D Skinner. Unlocking Warwick Representative. It was resolved to accept their apologies.

- 138. Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests None
- **139.** To elect a Deputy Chairman for the Municipal Year 2022/23 Cllr Mrs L Butler was nominated all were in favour there were no other nominations received.
- **140.** Lebisey Wood Presentation Anthony Rich gave Councillors the background to the Presentation also the request to link the two towns. It was resolved for the Town Clerk to create links and report back to the next committee meeting.
- 141. Community Update Report from Mrs B Allen WDC attached.

142.Community Engagement

Unlocking Warwick – send a report – attached.

143. Children Centre – update from Cllr PS Birdi. No report received in Cllr Birdi's absence.

- **144.** St Mary's Lands Working Party Cllr N Butler advised that there had not been a meeting but work continues in the background.
- 145. Twinning 2021 30-year celebration with Verden The Town Clerk advised that

the tree planting is going ahead in November – as soon as date is known Councillors will be advised.

Eurocamp. – The Town Clerk advised that the programme was near completion and invites are being sent out in January 2023.

146. Grants: St Marys Christmas tree festival £400

The grant was approved, subject to a suggestion regarding printing supplier.

- **147. Clean Air Warwick** update Cllr N Murphy No report received as there has not been a meeting.
- 148. Warwick in Bloom competition and plans for 2023 --- Cllr R Eddy advised
 - Last week we announced the 13 category winners and 51 medal winners of this year's Warwick in Bloom competition
 - The competition attracted both returning and brand-new entrants and saw 51 medals awarded, including a record 42 gold medals, to residents and communities across Warwick.
 - In our judging we were re-joined by Simon Lycett, the Warwick-born internationally recognised floral stylist and florist to the Royal Households, as this year's head judge.
 - Simon Lycett said:

"The standard for this year's Warwick in Bloom is - once again - outstanding! Given the very challenging weather of the summer, the abundance of colour and texture is testament to what hard-working, accomplished green-fingered folk are living in Warwick. As a result, Warwick is looking blooming beautiful and every single one of our winners should feel very proud!"

- The overall winner will be announced at the Warwick in Bloom Awards Presentation evening at Hill Close Gardens next Tuesday at 6.30pm and you're all welcome to join us.
- The competition will continue to run next year as we build on the In Bloom programme for 2023.

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

To consider, and if so agreed, to RESOLVE:

"That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be excluded from the meeting, and they are instructed to withdraw".

Public requested to leave business to be discussed privately.

149. Warwick in Bloom – review quotes for the next 3 years planting – Cllr R Eddy summarised the quotations and it was unanimously resolved to reappoint Barn Close Nurseries as the provider for the next 3 years. It was also agreed to carry out the next review in the spring 2025, for the next 3 -year contract covering 2026 -2029.

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