# WARWICK TOWN COUNCIL



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### **ECONOMIC & TOURISM COMMITTEE**

#### **MINUTES**

#### **THURSDAY 4th OCTOBER 2018**

Councillor M Ashford
Councillor PS Birdi
Councillor Mrs L Bolton
Councillor R Edgington (Chair)
Councillor Mrs C Cross (Sub)
Councillor Stephen Cross
Councillor Mrs D Da Cruz
Councillor J Holland

#### **Co-opted Members:**

Mr L Bartlett, Mrs S Butcher, Mrs E Healey, Mrs C Hodgetts, also attending Chris Beck Hill Close Gardens.

- **171. Apologies:** The Mayor, Cllr G Guest, Cllr N Murphy. A Klein & Mrs J Baldry it was resolved to accept these apologies.
- **172.** Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests. None declared.
- 173. Minutes of the meeting held on 4th August 2018

It was resolved to approve the Minutes as a true record.

# 174. Town Centre Management

Discuss any issues raised.

Grit bins – WCC Highways are advising of suitable locations

Victorian Evening – Mrs S Butcher clarified arrangements – The Mayor and Councillors will process from the Lord Leycester Hospital.

**175. Christmas Campaign** – Cllr R Edgington advised Councillors of the campaign its target market and ongoing events.

# 176. Visitor Information Centre & Court House Usage

(i) Manager Mrs L Healey to report - appendix A

#### 177. Review Co-opted Members

A Klein sent a report in his absence sharing positive news on attendance numbers and also awards granted to the Racecourse for Customer Experience and Track Staff. Encampments and vandalism continue to be an issue. Next race Sporting Icon Race Day – John Barnes guest of honour.

Warwick Castle reported improved figures for August and September. Work has been commissioned with Stratford upon Avon to understand trends with tourism. A discussion was held around forthcoming events at the Castle.

Hillclose Gardens have had a successful year so far. They have applied for a Heritage Lottery Grant to extend the Visitor Centre.

Signed
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