

**MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER 2026
IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30PM**

Those present:

Cllr Mark Weale (Chairman)
Cllr Teresa Weale
Laura Cranfield
Leann Reason
Clerk

26/E35 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Emma Cook, Paul Goddard and Pauline Parker.

26/E36 Minutes

The Minutes of the Community Events Committee Meeting held on the 30th of June 2026 were agreed and signed as a correct record.

26/E37 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

26/E38 Public Participation

No members of the public was present.

26/E39 Clerk's Report

The Clerk's Report was received and updated.

26/E40 Finance and General Purposes

- (a) An update on finance was deferred until the next meeting.
- (b) **It was resolved** to retain the stall holder and vendor fees at the same rates as last year, at £15 and £60 respectively.
- (c) It was agreed to defer setting the budget of expenditure for presents from Santa until the next meeting.
- (d) **It was resolved** to increase the price of Grotto tickets from £5 to £7.50.

26/E41 Christmas in the Park

- (a) An update was received on the bookings secured to date. **It was resolved** that Christmas in the Park 2027 would be on Sunday 5th December.
- (b) Key roles were discussed and agreed.
- (c) The format of the event was discussed. It was agreed that the format and timings of the event would be agreed at the next meeting.
- (d) Activities, entertainment and stalls/vendors were discussed. It was agreed to finalise these at the next meeting.
- (e) **It was resolved** that online tickets for Santa's Grotto would go on sale to local schools and nurseries on Monday 5th October 2026, followed by general public sales on Monday 12th October 2026.
- (f) Advertising and potential donations were discussed.

26/E42 Party in the Park

- (a) Feedback from Party in the Park 2026 was discussed and reviewed.
- (b) **It was resolved** that Party in the Park 2027 would be on Saturday 3rd July.

- (c) It was discussed whether Party in the Park 2027 should continue as a traditional music event or consider an alternative format. It was agreed to discuss further at another meeting.
- (d) The bookings required at this stage were discussed, with some bookings confirmed.

26/E43 Matters for the next agenda

No matters were proposed.

The meeting closed at 8.41pm

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 13th October 2026 at 7.30pm.