

**MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY 17TH OCTOBER 2023
IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30PM**

Those present:

Cllr M Weale (Chairman)
Cllr H Knightbridge
Emma Cook
Tereasa Weale
Clerk

23/E11 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr C Greaves, Ade Coombes, Pauline Parker, Sarah Rice, Alan Wagstaff and Adrian Williams. It was noted that any future apologies should be emailed to the Clerk before midday of the meeting or to Cllr M Weale thereafter.

23/E12 Minutes

The Minutes of the Community Events Committee Meeting held on 19th September 2023 were agreed and signed as a correct record.

23/E13 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

23/E14 Public Participation

One member of the public was present with an interest in joining the Community Events Committee.

23/E15 Clerk's Report

The Clerk's Report was updated.

23/E16 Finance and General Purposes

- (a) A budget update was received.
- (b) **It was resolved** that expenditure for Santa's Grotto (to include presents) would be set at £750.
- (c) **It was resolved** to ask the Parish Council for an increase of £500 contribution to include Christmas in the Park for next year.
- (d) It was noted that £200 of Amazon vouchers were received from Kompan as a donation towards Christmas in the Park as a thank you for allowing filming of the gym.

23/E17 Party in the Park

The decision to agree bands and entertainment was deferred until a future meeting.

23/E18 Christmas in the Park

- (a) Timings of the event were discussed and agreed in principle as further confirmation was required.
It was resolved that advance tickets for Santa's Grotto should be sold at the Village Hall for two weeks prior to them becoming available online.
- (b) An update on confirmed stall holders was received.
It was noted that, as per in previous years, charities or not for profit companies were not charged a pitch fee.
It was noted that the pitch fee for food and drink traders would be kept at the same price as last year's event (£60 plus VAT).

23/E19 General Information

To discuss and agree at the next meeting:

- (a) an increase of the pitch fee for stall holders for Party in the Park 2024 at the next meeting.
- (b) a budget of expenditure for Party in the Park bands.
- (c) the quote for bins for Christmas in the Park.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 14th November 2023 at 7.30pm