



**Minutes of the Meeting of the Events and Tourism  
Committee of**

**Westgate-On Sea Town Council**

on 16<sup>th</sup> January 2017

Held at

**Town Hall Buildings, 31 St Mildred's Road, Westgate-  
On-Sea, Kent CT8 8RE**

Present	Cllr Nightingale (Chairman), Cllr King, Cllr Rickett	
Also in attendance	Miss Julie Pilbeam (Town Clerk), 5 members of the public	
556	<b>To receive apologies for absence</b> Apologies were received from Cllr Pennington and Cllr Cornford with reasons for absence. It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that apologies be accepted.	
557	<b>Declarations of Interest</b> There were none	
558	<b>Minutes</b> It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the minutes of the meeting of 14 <sup>th</sup> November be signed and approved as a true record of the meeting.	
559	<b>Chairman's Announcements</b> The Chairman thanked the Westgate Christmas Lights Committee for their excellent efforts and it was agreed to write a letter of thanks. It was also reported that the invoice for the Christmas tree had been received for £400.00.  It was also noted that there was a security presence at the station recently reprimanding young smokers and the deep clean should be completed next week.  The Chairman announced that there is to be a beacon lighting event to commemorate the 100 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the conclusion of WW1 and this will be discussed at the next meeting.	
560	<b>Public Participation Session</b> There were no public questions.	
561	<b>Historic Information Boards</b> Cllr Rickett agreed to follow this up with Geoff Orton.	Cllr Rickett
562	<b>Coastal Community Team</b>	

	As Cllr Pennington was absent this item was deferred until the next meeting. The Clerk confirmed that the Community Asset Transfer was being applied for at Thanet District Council for the Pavilion.	
563	<b>Film Promotion of Westgate-on Sea</b> Cllr Rickett confirmed that Mr Glenn Cardno was editing the video at present. Cllr Rickett also reported that the website working group suggest that a new website is set up to promote Westgate-on-Sea separate to the Town Council site. This will be discussed at the forthcoming Full Council meeting.	
564	<b>Pancake Races</b> It was reported that the road closure had missed the Thanet District Council deadline and the event was not going ahead this year. It was agreed that the event will be planned for 2018 and the item will be added to the May agenda for the Events and Tourism Committee meeting.	<b>Clerk</b>
565	<b>Other Events Update</b> It was reported that St Saviours Church had requested that the Town Council organise the annual Remembrance Sunday event. The Clerk agreed to liaise with the church and present a report to Full Council to decide upon next steps.  Cllr King revisited the Punch and Judy performances and it was agreed for the Clerk to investigate and report back to the meeting in March.	<b>Clerk</b>  <b>Clerk</b>
566	<b>Communications Including Social Media</b> The Clerk reported that a report will be before the next Full Council meeting to agree the web and social media strategy and policy for the Council. It was noted that campaigns will be run for Town Council events to maximise community engagement.	<b>Clerk</b>
567	<b>Questions from Councillors</b> Cllr Rickett discussed the potential for an annual food festival in Ethelbert Square.	
568	<b>Next Meeting</b> The next meeting is expected to be on 13 <sup>th</sup> March 2017	
	<b>Meeting Closed at 7.25pm</b>	

Signed.....

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