

A MEETING OF THE CULTURE & EVENTS COMMITTEE

Held on	Wednesday 24 th July 2024, at 4 pm. Room 6, Crispin Community Centre, Leigh Road, Street.
Members Summoned and Present:	Nicola Smith, Adrian Sparkes, Nina Swift and Laura Wolfers (Chair).
Absent:	Pam Birch, Andy Leafe, Alison Horgan and Terry Napper.
Officers Present:	Danielle Price, Assistant Clerk – Community Engagement (ACCE)

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Public question time

There were no speakers for Public Question Time.

The committee meeting commenced at 4:00 pm

MINUTES

1. [Apologies for absence](#)

RESOLVED: to accept apologies for absence from Cllrs Birch, Leafe, Horgan and Napper, as per LGA 1972 s85(1).

2. [Declarations of Interests and Grant of Dispensations](#)

To receive any Declarations of Interest, including Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) they may have in agenda items that accord with the requirements of the Parish Council's Code of Conduct and to consider any requests from members for Dispensations that accord with Localism Act 2011 s33 and The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012, SI No. 1464.

Note: this does not preclude any later declarations.

RESOLVED: The group noted the position of Cllr Smith as a non-voting member of the Merriman Park Community Group.

3. [Confirmation of minutes](#)

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Culture and Events Committee meeting held on Wednesday 11th June (circulated) were approved as a correct record once ACCE acknowledged a correction proposed and approved at Full Council held on Tuesday 18th June, on item 17, regarding the High Street banners. This was subsequently approved by the committee; therefore, direction was given for the minutes to be signed by the Chairman. LGA 1972, Schedule 12, paragraph 41(1).

Please note any suggested changes to the minutes needs to be proposed and approved at Full Council.

4. Merriman Park Fun Day – Saturday 7th September 2024 & Beyond

RESOLVED: ACCE to request the following for the next Full Council meeting on Tuesday 20th August: SPC members confirm their availability throughout the day, end-to-end, as well as helping to maintain the SPC stall.

ACCE to contact local volunteer organisations and those who have previously received grants from SPC for support on the day, which can be shared with MPCG to make use of and instruct for the running of the day.

The committee will request to meet with the MPCG to explore plans for SPC supporting the day (and what that might look like) to the August Culture & Events Committee agenda and invite representatives from MPCG to attend the meeting/(s) moving forward. This will include the successors of D. Atkins' role. *Dates of these meetings approved as: January, June, August and September on an annual basis.*

ACCE approved to take on delegated powers to decide to (ideally) use a local supplier to purchase 20 new tabards for the day and purchase an eco-friendly option. SPC will be acknowledged alongside the MPCG logo.

5. Discover Your Community – Access Street – Saturday 28th September 2024

RESOLVED: that the members of the committee will email directly to ACCE any suggestions for stallholders incl. Guide Dogs for the Blind and ACCE will continue conversations with local, experienced stakeholders such as: The Alfred Gillett Trust and Mendip Mobility.

6. 200th Anniversary – Notre-Dame-de-Gravenchon

RESOLVED: the group advised a recommended budget of up to £400 for commemorating the 200th anniversaries of Notre-Dame-de-Gravenchon and Clarks in Street which can be displayed in both regions in honour of their mutual industrial contexts and in celebration of their ongoing Twinning relationship.

7. Street Festive Market

RESOLVED: to keep the prices for the stalls as per last year (independents at £20 and not-for-profits free of charge); EXCEPT for food/drink/commercial stalls, which will increase to £50

ACCE to contact Millfield regarding them supporting the event with their PA system.

ACCE to request an item is added to the August Full Council agenda for councillor commitment to a Task & Finish Group for additional support for the planning and execution of the Festive Market, including assistance stewarding stallholder vehicles for set up and set down.

8. Signage Usage Request from Clarks Village

RESOLVED: that although the council would like to always show support for local businesses and their establishment/growth; it was agreed to reject the request on the basis that the signage is funded by Street Parish Council and displays valuable information to locals and visitors looking to shop and explore the village.

ACCE to email to confirm the sign needs to remain in place as the shopping signage.

9. Skate Park Banner

RESOLVED: ACCE to liaise with a proposed volunteer to prepare a banner for the Skate Park with advice from Cllr Wolfers on design. Designs will be brought to the August meeting for members to vote on and which will subsequently get quoted for.

10. Cultural Events - August & September 2024

RESOLVED: To include content for social media on the following areas of public interest:

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Cycle to Work Day.

National Non-Profits Day (incl. ref to Street Repair Café as a local not-for-profit resource).

International Literacy Day.

World Thoughtfulness Day.

World Suicide Prevention Day.

Battle of Britain Day.

100 Days to Christmas incl. opportunity to promote Street Festive Market.

World Alzheimer's Day.

Car Free Day.

World Tourism Day (incl. details on Street as a popular tourist destination).

11. Items to raise for consideration at the next meeting

RESOLVED: to include the following items on the August committee agenda (some of which were deferred from the minutes from the June meeting):

- * Contacting Clarks HQ for a meeting/(s) with SPC.
- * Funding Opportunities (scene etting/updates)
- * Digital Display Boards.
- * Brookside School's artwork on Street High Street.
- * Busking in Street.
- * Community Awards & Investiture – committee to agree on a recommendation for Full Council regarding (any) future catering of the event.

12. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Culture and Events Committee will take place at: 4pm on **Wednesday 28th August 2024** at Room 6, Crispin Community Centre, Leigh Road, Street.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 5:27 pm.