



Beaminster Town Council

**Minutes from a meeting of the Community Engagement Committee 20<sup>th</sup> April 2022 in the Skyrm Room 09.30am.**

**24. PRESENT:** Cllr. Rachel Brown, Cllr. Robin Cheeseman, Cllr. Terry Beswarick, Cllr. Chris Turner, Cllr. Nigel Corbett and Samantha Pearce (Assistant Town Clerk).

**25. APOLOGIES:** Cllr. Craig Monks

**26. COMMUNITY PAGES OF THE WEBSITE**

Cllr Rachel Brown and Samantha Pearce informed the Committee on the current situation relating to the Community Pages of the website. Meetings had been held with the web developer and ideas were beginning to take shape. It was felt the community pages could be titled Beaminster Life and should incorporate information on clubs, societies, classes, town initiatives, events, Beaminster stories etc. It was agreed that once an initial outline was developed it would be presented to the Committee for consideration.

**27. PURPOSE STATEMENT**

Cllr Rachel Brown informed the Committee that a workshop with Councillors had taken place on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April regarding the development of a Mission Statement for the Town Council. The workshop was facilitated by Mr Dominic Faulkner. Unfortunately attendance was low however Mr Faulkner would send any relevant feedback to the Town Clerk.

**28. JUBILEE UPDATE**

Cllr. Nigel Corbett and Cllr. Rachel Brown informed the Committee of the following Jubilee Events:

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June:** Beacon Lighting Event at the Memorial Playing Field, culminating in the lighting of the Jubilee Beacon organised by the Scouts.

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June:** TBA. Awaiting feedback from Cllr. Craig Monks

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June:** A Fete at Parnham Park organised by Parnham.

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June:** Jubilee Lunch Street Party in Beaminster Square organised by Beaminster Town Council.

**Further details regarding the Jubilee Lunch Street Party were discussed as follows:-**

**Road Closure of A3066 at Beaminster Square:** It was agreed that 4 x security guards should be hired to control the road closure barriers at the junction of Whitcombe Road and at the mini Roundabout. Officers would arrange.

**Entertainment:** Cllr. Rachel Brown would compere the event. There would be a Prince and Princess Parade for the children where all participants would receive a certificate, badge and sweet (arrange by Cllr. Brown). There would also be a Best Jubilee Hat Competition for the adults which would be judged and the winner would receive a bottle of wine. It was acknowledged that publicity for this event should be escalated and it was agreed that a letter from the Chairman with details of the event should be circulated via social media and printed versions given to the local shops for distribution. It was further agreed that a video would be made explaining the details of the events and this would be posted on the Council's social media accounts.

**Volunteers:** Cllr. Rachel Brown would arrange volunteers to help with the road closure and other duties on the day. Rachel would liaise with Cllr. Nigel Corbett, Christine Bright and Samantha Pearce for contact names.

**Contingency Plan:** It was suggested members keep an eye on the long-term weather forecast, although it was generally agreed that the event should carry on regardless. It was noted that the bands would perform under cover and therefore would be able to continue in the event of rain.

The meeting ended at 10.41am