

# LUDGERSHALL TOWN COUNCIL



## Minutes of the Civic Events meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2021 remotely using Microsoft Teams at 7pm.

**Present:** Cllr CA Allan (Chair), Cllr J Langley, Cllr V Dixon, Cllr M Giles, Cllr C Giles.

**Absent:** Cllr B Dance

**Public:** No members of the public attended the meeting

### AGENDA ITEM

**013-20/21:** 1. Apologies – Cllr B Cordery, Cllr P Burgon - The Committee resolved to accept these and record under the LGA 1972 Section 99 and Sch 12 para 40. John Sparrow had also sent last minute apologies due to a change in his schedule.

**014-20/21:** 2. Declaration of Interest – none.

**015-20/21:** 3. Minutes of previous meeting – dated 11th March 2021 – due to be ratified at FTC next week - 13th April 2021. No comments were made.

**016-20/21:** 4. Events in 2021 -

a) *Easter Egg Hunt* – Cllr Allan started by thanking Cllr V Dixon’s husband for producing the posters for the event. She also extended her thanks to Cllr M Giles, Cllr J Langley and Cllr V Dixon who helped her to hide the tickets around Ludgershall. Comments to make it more exciting next time are to hide the tickets when it is dark and also to make a trail where several clues have to be collected before the ticket is found. All Cllrs said they enjoyed the event. There are a number of eggs that remain unclaimed – Cllr Allan has put out a plea on Facebook and will give it another week before deciding what to do. Admin suggested that a further plea could go out on the Facebook page – Admin to put post on Facebook with a deadline of Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

**017-20/21:** 5 Budgets and EMR Funds to use on

- a) *Christmas lights on Large tree in Car park* – Cllr CA Allan advised she has received the quote from Sparkx (who supplied the other tree lights) and the quote is £1500 + VAT for the lights and installation. Admin advised that alternative quotes were sought from Gala Lights (yet to reply) and Festive Lighting who suggested using the company who installed the other 6 x tree lights to ensure they are all the same type of LED’s. Office to chase up quote from Gala Lights and Cllr CA Allan will send over the quote from Sparkx. Cllr CA Allan suggested that Tree Technique are asked to give the tree a check over prior to ordering the lights to ensure it is in good condition for the lights to be added, all in favour.
- b) *Curtain lights on either side of main display on Hall* – The Committee have agreed to have new green and white lights and Cllr CA Allan has spoken to Sparkx but she needs to go back to them to clarify the exact number of string lights required. She will arrange to do that and hopefully a quote will be available for next month’s meeting. Admin advised that there are quotes on file from last year to use as comparisons for this, so no further quotes will be needed.
- c) *Santa Sleigh* – Cllr CA Allan advised that she look into this more thoroughly now the Easter Egg hunt has taken place. There is a reasonable amount of unspent funds from this year, Cllr M Giles asked for £2.5K to be earmarked in the funds for this item, all in favour. Admin to notify the Clerk.
- d) *Marquees from Insurance claim* – Admin showed the Committee the available options provided by the Clerk (these had been emailed to Cllr CA Allan) The Committee all voted to purchase 3 x smaller pop up marquees at a cost of £269.99 each from Amazon and plenty of

weights for the legs. Cllr CA Allan advised she has been given details of where these can be purchased from and will email the office with details. Admin to notify the Clerk so all items can be ordered.

**018-20/21:** 6. Agenda Points to be discussed for next meeting – Sleigh, Remembrance (organising a Bugler and Road Closure). Cllr CA Allan asked if the Committee can continue to hold meetings remotely – Admin advised that the legislation permitting such meetings ends on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2021, but there is currently a court case which will determine if they can be continued – the office will clarify further once the outcome is known. Cllr C A Allan then went on to thank Cllr V Dixon who is not continuing on the Council from May onwards, but will still be offering her services for Civic Events and with the Town gardening etc. Everyone present extended their thanks for her help and support over the years.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting ended at 7.28pm.

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