

Malmesbury Town Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Community and Town Promotion Committee held in the Malting Hall, Malmesbury Town Hall on Thursday 5th November, commencing at 7.00pm

Present: Cllr S Poole Cllr ACR Woodcock Cllr S Cox
Cllr G Grant Cllr F Vandelli Cllr M Jennings
Cllr C Doody

Also present: Town Clerk
Xina Hart (Wiltshire Council – Community Youth Officer)

*Cllr Poole proposed that as the Town Clerk was in attendance to discuss the budget, item 10 be brought forward. All **agreed**.*

1. Apologies.

Apologies were received from Cllr Sanderson.

2. Public Question Time.

None.

3. Declarations of Interest.

None.

4. To receive the Minutes of meeting held on 3rd September 2015.

Minutes received & approved.

To receive the Minutes of meeting held on 30th September 2015.

Minutes received & approved.

Item 10 brought forward

10. To receive Budget recommendations for 2016.

Cllr Poole invited the Town Clerk to speak to the Committee. The Town Clerk outlined the pressures that Malmesbury Town Council will be under for the financial year 2016/17. The Town Clerk suggested that the current 'Projects Account' for the Community & Town Promotion Committee is too high compared with historic expenditure and should be reduced to £3000. Should more be required at a future date, a business plan may be put to the Policy & Resources Committee supporting the request.

Cllr Poole proposed acceptance of the Draft Budget, all **agreed**.

The Town Clerk left the meeting

5. To consider expenditure of £150 for a 'Virtual Tour' around the TIC.

Discussion ensued following circulation of the report and it was agreed that a virtual tour of the TIC would not necessarily prove to be productive towards the promotion of Malmesbury or the Town Hall but that a tour of the *whole* Town Hall could be more constructive in the advertising of the Town Hall's facilities. It was **resolved** that the Committee Clerk would pass this decision to the Town Clerk.

6. To consider correspondence from English Civil War Society.

Cllr Poole gave a detailed description of the involvement that MTC had with Colonel Devereaux's Regiment of Foote in 2014, whilst they are members of the Civil war Society they are a different organisation. Cllr Poole stated that to put the event together is a huge undertaking and that 2017 would be too soon. It was **resolved** a letter would be written in reply to explain the Committee's decision.

Cllr Poole formally adjourned the meeting to enable Xina Hart to address the Committee with details of the current Youth Provision in Malmesbury and plans that the Local Youth Network may have for the future. Cllr Poole extended thanks to Xina for attending & re-convened the meeting.

7. To discuss the way forward regarding Youth Provision in Malmesbury.

The LYN is currently looking for premises to hold a Youth Club one evening a week during term-time whilst the Riverside is being re-developed. Cllr Grant suggested that as representative of MTC to the LYN he would, in future, regularly report to the Committee on their behalf.

8. To outline arrangements to be made for St. Aldhelm's Fair 2016.

Brief discussion followed and it was agreed that a format much the same as last year would be adhered to with an improvement to catering options. This will be taken up at a future meeting.

9. To note report from Tourist Information Centre.

The Clerk reported that visitor numbers for the month of October are an improvement on last year. The Committee suggested that the Christmas Tree be situated where the advertising board for the Cinema is, the Clerk is to take this suggestion to the Office.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm