

## Malmesbury Town Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Community and Town Promotion Committee held in the Malting Hall, Malmesbury Town Hall on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2016, commencing at 7.00pm

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**Present:** Cllr S Poole Cllr ACR Woodcock Cllr S Cox  
Cllr C Doody Cllr J Exton

**Also present:** 1 member of the public

*Cllr Poole welcomed Cllr Exton as a new member of the Community & Town Promotion Committee & congratulated Cllr Vandelli, in her absence, as newly elected Chair of the Committee*

**1. Apologies.**

Cllr Sanderson, Cllr Grant & Cllr Vandelli

**2. Public Question Time.**

None.

**3. Declarations of Interest.**

None.

**4. To receive the Minutes of meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> April & 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2016.**

Minutes approved and signed as a correct record.

**5. To receive Income & Expenditure Report.**

The Committee noted the report.

**6. To receive TIC Report.**

It was noted that visitor numbers are down at the moment but the Clerk pointed out that this is not unusual nationally having recently attended a WAVA meeting. Contributing factors could be bad weather and an early Easter break. Cllr Poole announced that sadly the BBC History Weekend would not take place in Malmesbury this year. Cllr Cox announced that the Carnival would not be holding a Food Festival as part of their celebrations but that they had approached the Town Team to see if this was something they would consider organising.

**7. To receive a report from the LYN Representative.**

Cllr Poole stated that Cllr Vandelli has been elected as the LYN representative and would report on her return.

**8. To receive a report from the Town Team representative.**

The unexpected absence of Cllr Grant meant that the report would take place at the next meeting.

**9. To receive report from working party on organisation of St Aldhelm's Fair.**

Cllr Doody stated that the LYN had confirmed the grant to contribute to the Companions of the Longbow. Organisation is running smoothly and Cllr Poole extended thanks to Ash Scott for his offer to help with putting out the cones on Sunday evening.

**10. To update the C&TP Committee with plans for the Queen's Birthday event.**

The working party of the Queen's Birthday event is due to meet very shortly and will report back at the next meeting.

**11. To update the Committee on plans for WOMAD**

A meeting will take place next week with the Town Team & Front Room Marketing to discuss options for WOMAD.

**12. To discuss possible plans to make the Town more Cycle Friendly.**

Cllr Poole had previously circulated an email from Cllr Vandelli inviting suggestions to make the Town more 'Cycle Friendly'. It has been noted previously that cyclists have used the Market Cross to 'prop' cycles up and this is unacceptable. Many cyclists visit Malmesbury and provide considerable business to the High Street therefore it is hoped that an alternative could be available. Cyclists generally pay a lot of money for their cycles and are unwilling for them to be out of their sight. Cllr Vandelli asked the Committee to give some thought to the situation and asked for ideas.

**13. To discuss King Athelstan sculpture**

Cllr Cox had made a few other enquiries & discovered that a stone or bronze sculpture could be somewhere in the region of £25,000. It is something that would take several years to organise/raise funds for. The Committee **resolved** that a report would be prepared for the Policy & Resources Committee to consider.

**The meeting closed at 8pm**