

## KESWICK TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Keswick Town Council Events Committee held in the Council Chamber, First Floor, Council Offices, 50 Main Street, Keswick on Tuesday 6th August 2019 at 10.30 a.m.

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**Present:** Councillor Paul Titley (Chair) (PT)  
 Councillor David Burn (Mayor) (DB)  
 Councillor Allan Daniels (AD)  
 Councillor Sally Lansbury (SL)  
 Lynda Walker (Town Clerk) (LW)  
 Sue Plant (Events Co-ordinator) (SP)  
 Joe Broomfield (Allerdale Borough Council) (JB)  
 Anna Chippendale (ABC Events Manager) (AC)  
 Phil Byers (Geraud Markets) (PB)  
 David Quainton (Keswick Rotary Club) (DQ)

### 14. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from:

Chris Harper (Podgy Paws) (CH)  
 Councillor Tony Lywood (TL)  
 Vanessa Metcalfe (Keswick Tourism Association) (VM)

### 15. Minutes

**RESOLVED** that the Chairman be authorised to sign as a correct record the Minutes of the Events Committee Meeting held on the 2nd July 2019 (pages 3-4).

### 16. Christmas Lights Switch On – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2019

The Chair reported that Committed 2 Rock had been asked to perform on the main stage from 6.15pm until 7.00pm and that Keswick Firemen had agreed to switch on the lights

DQ reported that the traders in Packhorse Court had asked Keswick Rotary Club to organise 'Peter Rabbit' again and that St Herbert's School choir would be performing, together with possibly Keswick School Jazz Band. A street collection permit had been obtained and the collection would probably be for Hospice at Home.

The Committee agreed that a road closure for the Market Square would be cost prohibitive and that the usual arrangements would apply i.e. stewarding of any traffic. PB confirmed that there would be a small market at the higher end of Market Square as in past years. A compere was required for the main stage – to be decided.

### 17. VE/VJ Day Celebrations 2020

The Chair reported that he had put forward the following proposals to the Rev Charles Hope of St Johns Church who was co-ordinating events across the town:

- A stage in the Market Square on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May for VE Day celebrations with appropriate musical entertainment and participation in the 'Nation's Toast' at 3.00pm following a bugler playing the Last Post. Committed 2 Rock had been asked to perform and it was planned to ask anyone who had been at the 1945 celebration to attend. Local community and charitable organisations would be invited to have a free 'canopy' in the Square from which they could sell 'street party' goods and food. The emphasis would be on 'celebration' and festivities would conclude around 5.00pm. Tables and chairs would be sourced (AD offered to help with this). A grant application for the event would be put forward to Allerdale Borough Council.
- The VJ Day event (Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> August) would take place in Fitz Park. DB had asked the Choral Society to perform. Fluid Productions had offered to provide the stage free of charge.

PT has agreed to draft a letter to all local Clubs and Societies.

AD asked about bunting and flags in the Market Square – need to find out who had arranged this for the recent Royal visit (SP).

PT to ask Fluid Productions about having a big screen possibly showing archive footage.

SL suggested having vintage vehicles and encouraging attendees to dress in period clothing.

AD and PT to speak to Shelagh Hughes about the school choir performing.

DQ suggested having photos on a pinboard – PT suggested asking the Museum to collate.

PT to speak to Charles Hope re contact with Royal British Legion.

#### **18. Updates from Partners**

- JB introduced Anna Chippendale who had recently joined Allerdale BC as Events Manager. AC said that she would be working on an environmental policy as part of her role – it was suggested that she speak to SL about this. AC was hoping to introduce a programme of events under the 'Allerdale Live' banner across the seven towns in the Borough for which funding would be made available.
- SL reported that the deposit scheme for glasses used at the Prom in the Park had worked well with approximately 650 glasses being used. This was available for other events.
- PT reported that he had booked a Beatles tribute band for Rock Night 2020 together with 'Rod Stewart' from Wigton and Waters Edge. He asked SP to put a draft budget together for agreement at the next meeting detailing funding required from the Town Council for the Committee's activities for 2020/21.

#### **19. Date of Next Meeting**

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at 10.30 am – agenda items to include budget required from Town Council for 2020/21, confirmation of events for VE and VJ Day and arrangements for Christmas Lights Switch On.

The meeting closed at 11.30 am.

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Chair

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Date