



MINUTES OF THE MARKETS AND EVENTS COMMITTEE OF KETTERING TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE TOLLER CHURCH ROOMS, MEETING LANE, KETTERING AT 7PM ON 31st JANUARY 2024

Councillors Present: Cllr Craig Skinner (Chair)
Cllrs Dez Dell, Alexander Evelyn, Emily Fedorowycz and Clark Mitchell

Officers present:- Martin Hammond, Town Clerk
Emma Dezelu Deputy Town Clerk

2 members of the public attended.

Item Number	Description
ME23/30	Apologies for absence Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Bev Wright, Mark Rowley and Martyn York. Cllr Wright was being substituted by Cllr Mithcell.
ME23/31	Declarations of interest Cllr Dell declared an interest as an employee of Brightwayz in terms of any events involving them.
ME23/32	Minutes The minutes of the meeting held on 29 th November 2024 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the chair
ME23/33	Events Schedule 2023-4 A report was submitted which set out expenditure to date on events in this financial year and provided a summary of the first year's experience of providing Christmas Lights. A verbal report on events which had taken place since the last meeting was also provided. The report highlighted some of the issues which has arisen during the period the lights were in place and members noted that a different approach would be needed in future years to dealing with running repairs. The infrastructure shortcomings

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	<p>would be captured and shared with NNC and an improvement to the power supply in the Manor House Museum Gardens would be sought. Improvements in the arrangements for installation and removal of lights would be discussed with Blachere.</p> <p>Questions as to how Diwali might be supported in 2024 were raised and it was agreed that these would be explored with the Hindu community and other venue owners.</p>
ME23/34	<p>Events Schedule 2024-5</p> <p>A report was submitted addressing some aspects of the events programme for 2004-5 and seeking approval for refinements to the programme.</p> <p>Members discussed the items and, after debate,</p> <p>RESOLVED that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) Skate events be held on 22nd June, 27th July and 31st August 2024 all at the skateparkb) The Summer Saturday themes be as follows<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Folk/traditional (April)- Games and sport (May)- Armed forces, D-day and emergency services (June)- Summer holidays (July)c) That the quote from Beach Events and Solutions Ltd for the supply of a sandpit for Kettering by the sea be accepted in the sum of £9500 for a 12m x 7.2m pit.d) The emerging arrangements for Love Food be notede) That recycling bins be secured for events in futuref) That improved signage be acquired to warn drivers of the events taking place in town where a road closure was not in placeg) That officers work with traders to reduce plastic usage at our events and encourage the use of more recyclable products and packaging

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ME23/35	Market Performance A report on the performance of the general market was submitted and noted.
	Meeting closed at 8.15 pm

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