

St. Anne's on the Sea Town Council

Minutes of the Leisure and Community Committee held on
23rd March 2015 at 2pm

West Lodge, 5 St. George's Road, St. Anne's on the Sea, Lancashire FY8 2AE

Present:	Councillors	C Little C Akeroyd D Prestwich V Settle B Mackenzie V Willder	Chairman
	Officers	S Dunn H Kennedy	Community Development Manager Promotion & Events Officer
	Members of the public		0

075/15 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor Henshaw.

076/15 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

077/15 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED That the minutes of the meeting held on 19th January 2015 be approved.

078/15 EASTER EVENT 2015

The event planned for Easter Monday, 6th April 2015 was discussed.

A larger marquee has been booked this year and the face painters (from Funky Monkey) are coming back so they may require space in the marquee if weather is poor on the day.

Councillors wishing to come along should arrive at 11.45 as the event starts at midday and some tasks such as registration will be needed to help the event run smoothly.

4 Easter Eggs will be given as prizes, in the 3 age groups for the Best Decorated Egg competition and 1 as the main winner drawn for the Treasure Hunt. These prizes have been purchased by the Town Council.

Aldi are donating some small chocolate novelties which can be given out when people return clue sheets to the marquee having competed the Treasure Hunt and the Aldi logo is on the event poster in recognition of this generous support.

079/15 KITE FESTIVAL 2015

Councillor Settle provided an update on this event following recent meetings with the organisers.

Pat May continues to seek funding and sponsorship and has recently secured £250 and £200 from Anatolia and The Marrakech respectively. Hoteliers are also being approached,

Fylde Borough Council have been very helpful and flexible with the arrangements such as car parking permits and passes. Adequate provision of car parking for visitors is a concern and it is hoped that all public car parks will be used including the lesser known ones and the multi-storey car park.

Additional attractions will include a Punch and Judy show, two Samba bands and hopefully a kite making workshop although currently this is subject to funding. As the Festival takes place during the school holidays this presents a timing issue for delivering the workshops to children.

RESOLVED **That Councillor Settle will contact County Councillors about the possibility of using their ward funds to provide some financial support.**

079/15 ST ANNE'S ON SEA IN BLOOM

Councillor Ford had provided the following report:

- Signs to celebrate the gold medal award will be put up by Lancashire County Council at entrances into the town in April and there will be a metal plaque for the wall of West Lodge.
- New volunteers at the station have assisted in planting up new tubs in front of the ticket office and will also maintain the flowerbed which was created in 2013 by adding bulbs and shrubs in gaps.
- Nesting boxes have also been installed around the car park area.
- The front garden competition has 2 categories – large and small.
- The Library garden is also benefitting from help from Dave Creelman who is a gardener sponsored by local business ZPQ Designs.
- Half barrel tubs can be seen outside local businesses such as St Anne's Music, the Haven chip shop and Drift Gallery.
- Over 600 Christmas trees were planted on the beach to help protect the dunes, including volunteers from BeachCare and residents.
- Crescent Gardens. Dog fouling in this area continues to be a problem despite being reported.
- St Anne's Music are paying for paint to improve the United Utilities substation in Crescent Gardens and volunteers will be sought to help with the painting work.
- St Anne's On Sea In Bloom now has a facebook page as well as a dedicated email address which is bloomingstannes@gmail.com

080/15 ALLOTMENTS

Councillor Ford had provided the following report:

- The waiting list is now down to 8 following several tenants being served with Notices to Quit and viewings of available plots are ongoing.
- The Allotment Society committee at Shepherd Road are keen to involve young children in gardening and growing, possibly by having a dedicated plot for supervised activity and visits.
- Events at Shepherd Road for 2015 will include a Produce Show, a Scarecrow competition, Halloween night and a pumpkin competition.
- Dates have been agreed for the AGM (April 7th at St Anne's Cricket Club), monthly working parties and the annual Open Day, which is on 8th August.
- A new website has been created for Shepherd Road Allotments so that tenants and prospective tenants have an information source. It is [www.http://shepherdroadallotmentsocietymbtck.co.uk/](http://shepherdroadallotmentsocietymbtck.co.uk/)
- Mushroom and growing compost is being stored at Blundell Road for use by the In Bloom group. The greenhouse and polytunnel there have been cleared and some minor maintenance completed.
- Both sites are considering having a small wind turbine to generate 'free' electricity as this power could be used to provide greenhouse heat and extend the growing season.

081/15 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

It was noted that the next meeting of the Leisure and Community Committee would be held at West Lodge, 5 St. George's Road, St. Anne's on the Sea, Lancashire FY8 2AE on **Monday 1st June 2015 at 2.00 pm.**

The meeting ended at 15.10 pm.

Signed.....

Chairman
1st June 2015