

## St. Anne's on the Sea Town Council

Minutes of the Leisure and Community Committee held on  
16<sup>th</sup> June 2014 at 2pm

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

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

### 175/14 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies for absence were received.

### 176/14 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

### 177/14 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

**RESOLVED** a) That the minutes of the meeting held on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2014 be approved, subject to;  
b) Councillor Vince Settle was present at the meeting.

### 178/14 EASTER EVENT 2014

This event took place on Easter Monday and was well attended. Good weather meant that the park was very busy and families seemed to enjoy the event. Positive feedback had been received by the Councillors and Councillor Little expressed her thanks to the Town Council officers for all their work in arranging the event.

### 179/14 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH ON EVENT 2014

Due to the Neighbourhood Plan's workload there has only been one meeting of the Switch On Event Working Party to date.

The Community Development Manager advised that she had spoken to Andrew Loynd regarding the need for closure of the usual car park (between Orchard Road and Park Road) on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2014.

### 180/14 LIFEBOAT CONCERT

The Community Development Manager reported that she had contacted the RNLI who were happy to host another concert at St. Anne's Life Boat Station on 7<sup>th</sup> September 2014. For this year following a review of the event costs she hoped to find another orchestra who would be able to play for a significantly reduced rate, because it was a free event, raising money for charity.

It was hoped that if the concert goes ahead, chairs could be hired from the Scouts and the Carnival Committee would be available to provide refreshments on the same basis as last year.

The Youth Councillors could be approached to help out with this event.

**RESOLVED To arrange the concert for 7<sup>th</sup> September 2014 including music, catering and hire of chairs.**

#### **181/14 KITE FESTIVAL 2014**

Councillor Settle reported that various hotels are 'donating' rooms as accommodation for the guest kite flyers. The Pier Cafe and the Pier have pledged substantial donations and there is going to be a food trailer.

Clothing firm Regatta have agreed to provide weatherproof jackets to the kite flyers.

Unfortunately the swing boats cannot be located on the beach due to the soft sand so they will only be available if vehicle access can be arranged with Fylde Borough Council so that temporary decking can be laid.

There will be music at the bandstand including a samba band on the Sunday, and beach art.

The Town Mayor will be invited to open the event and the Town Crier to do cries to publicise it.

#### **182/14 MUSIC AND ARTS FESTIVAL 2014**

Councillor Mackenzie circulated some general leaflets for the festival, which list the participating venues. There will be more detailed versions available soon.

The application to the Arts Council for a grant was unsuccessful which means some of the music events have had to be scaled back.

#### **183/14 ST ANNES ON SEA IN BLOOM**

Councillor Ford was not present at the meeting but he had provided a written report:

- The route for judging by North West in Bloom is being tested as there are more neighbourhood award entries including Blundell Road, The Chimes and Braxfield Court.
- The judges' handbook prepared by the In Bloom group is being prepared
- The Crescent railings should be back in place and some have been relocated to add impact to other areas.
- Brackets for hanging baskets in Park/Orchard Road have not been installed but the In Bloom group are pursuing options with Fylde Borough Council.
- ZPQ a local printing firm has agreed to fund a gardener for a few hours per month to assist with In Bloom activities.
- Some businesses on the Crescent have agreed to undertake watering of newly planted containers
- An audit of planters and locations has been completed so that the committee can manage their resources and check that participating businesses are continuing with their commitments
- Nominations for Best Front Garden have been disappointing – more are needed
- BIU who are based above B&M Bargains have agreed to work on the nearby open space in front of their building, in conjunction with Fylde Borough Council staff

**184/14 ALLOTMENTS**

Councillor Ford was not present at the meeting but he had provided a written report:

Shepherd Road

- Plot lettings are ongoing and all vacant plots have been let
- Myerscough College is planning a new course for plot holders and are discussing possible content and dates
- Regular grass cutting and strimming sessions held by working parties at Shepherd Road site ensure the site continues to look presentable
- Quotes for wall repairs near Singleton Avenue are being obtained
- The annual Open Day will be on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> August 2014 and the committee has were purchasing a marquee for use at this and other events
- A social committee is being set up
- The site will be participating in the North West in Bloom judging this year

Blundell Road

- Some newcomers are progressing well but one or two tenants have yet to make headway with their plots this year
- The stepped planters which replaced the vertical ones are a great improvement
- There is a social event being planned for July
- Work on harvesting & storage of rainwater continues to reduce costs

**185/14 TOWN MAYOR'S CAROL SERVICE**

The Community Development Manager reminded members of the date for this event, which is to be held on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2014 at the Parish Church. S he would contact Councillor Nash to see if he wishes to approach the Parish Church's hand bell ringing group about taking part in the service.

**186/14 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 4th August 2014 at 2.00 pm.**

The meeting ended at 3.05 pm.

Signed.....

Chairman  
4<sup>th</sup> August 2014