

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

### **Minutes of the Leisure and Community Committee held on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2015 at 2 pm West Lodge, 5 St. George's Road, St. Anne's on the Sea, Lancashire FY8 2AE**

Present:	Councillors	C Little C Akeroyd V Willder G Neale K Henshaw V Settle	Chairman     ex-officio
	Officers	S Dunn	Community Development Manager

#### **289/15 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence

#### **290/15 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

#### **291/15 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**RESOLVED** That the minutes of the meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2015 be approved.

#### **292/15 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH ON EVENT 2015**

Councillor Little gave a report on this event.

Despite very poor weather conditions the event including the children's Lantern Parade went ahead and all participants including Chelsea Jade, the choirs and the pantomime cast put on a brilliant show. Letters of thanks would be sent to all who had taken part including the schools.

A formal review of the event would be scheduled in the new year.

**RESOLVED** That a donation of £50 would be paid to the Round Table organisation for the loan of their sleigh for the Christmas Switch On Event that took place on 28th November 2015.

#### **293/15 TOWN MAYOR'S CAROL SERVICE**

Councillor Settle gave an update on this event.

The carol service takes place on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December. It is at St Margaret's Church at 6.30 pm. Tickets cost £3 per adult including refreshments and it is free to children. Details of the readings have been circulated to all of the readers and the programme is being finalised next Monday. Assistance has been offered by members of the Youth Council.

A raffle to raise funds for the mayoral charity Sign Hi, Say Hi will be organised by Councillor Settle.

**294/15 VICTORIAN FESTIVAL WEEKEND**

This event took place last weekend and was organised by independent traders and businesses in St Anne's with support from the Town Council and Fylde Borough Council.

Bad weather had affected some of the programme of events but the event had gone ahead and it was hoped the event would be repeated and continue to grow in future years

**RESOLVED To note the success and encourage future growth of this initiative.**

**295/15 ALLOTMENTS**

The Community Development Manager provided an update on this item:

The waiting list currently stands at 24 people and due to the growing season now being dormant, no further viewings of vacant plots will take place until new year.

Neighbourhood awards were won at the North West In Bloom awards in October by both of the Town Council allotment sites and for Blundell Road. This is the fifth year in a row for Blundell Road.

**296/15 ST ANNE'S ON SEA IN BLOOM**

The Community Development Manager provided an update on this item:

The group were disappointed to win silver gilt at the North West In Bloom awards as they felt the 2015 submission had been stronger than ever. However further analysis would take place once the detailed marks had been made available.

Four community groups across the town have also won Neighbourhood awards in addition to those won by the allotment societies.

**297/15 KITE FESTIVAL 2016**

Councillor Settle provided an update on this item:

Fylde Borough Council have given £5000 in support and further sponsorship is needed from businesses. Organiser Pat May is taking on a co-ordinator to support the planning of the event and a further planning meeting for the Kite Festival takes place this month.

**298/15 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 15<sup>th</sup> February 2016 at 2.00 pm.**

*The meeting ended at 2.52 pm.*

Signed.....

Chairman  
15<sup>th</sup> February 2016