



EMERSONS GREEN
TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Events Committee

29 April 2021

Held by Skype due to Covid-19 restrictions

Present: Councillors S Budd, P Morgan, J Hunt and D Somers

Absent: Councillors M Palmer and J Sweeney

In attendance: Kath MacConnachie, Town Clerk, and Chris Sunderland, Chair of the Friends of Emersons Green Park.

17. To appoint a Chairman for this meeting

It was **Resolved** that Councillor Budd be appointed Chairman for the meeting.

18. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Dowling.

19. Declaration of Interests under the Localism Act 2011

There were no declarations of interests.

20. Minutes of 11 February 2021

It was **Resolved** that the minutes of the meeting held on 11 February 2021 were a true and accurate record of the meeting.

21. Outstanding items from these minutes

A member of the public had volunteered to help with routes for a potential leaflet/walking event. Councillor Budd volunteered to meet with the member of the public to discuss and consider options alongside the existing South Gloucestershire walking routes.

Action: Councillor Budd

22. Friends of Emersons Green Park Autumn Festival

Chris Sunderland, Chair of the Friends of Emersons Green Park, joined the meeting briefed members on the proposed Three Greens Festival event planned for the Autumn. It was noted that this would have an emphasis on wildlife, open spaces, sustainability and the environment.

It was **Resolved** that the Town Council would not support this as a joint event, but that the Friends of Emersons Green Park would be invited to apply for grant funding.

Action: Clerk

It was agreed that a Town Council stand at the event, explaining all that the Town Council does in relation to open spaces, would be desirable.

23. 'Design a Christmas Light' competition for local children

It was **Resolved** to run a 'Design a Christmas Light' competition for children within the area, with the two winning designs being manufactured and displayed with the other street lighting, one in Emersons Green and one in Lyde Green.

Action: Kath

It was **Resolved** to procure the custom lights from whomever were appointed to provide the street lighting contract for the next three years.

24. Engine Winding House event

Members considered the suggestion of Councillor J Dowling to set up a Summer event and/or a 'Friends of' group in relation to the Mangotsfield Engine Winding House site.

Members considered that an independently formed Friends group would be the best way to take this forward. Councillor Hunt noted that there were South Gloucestershire Council officers who could provide advice on setting up a Friends group. Councillor Hunt volunteered to contact Councillor with the relevant contact details.

Action: Councillor Hunt

It was noted that if a Friends group were formed a grant application could be considered by the Town Council.

25. Items from members to Report

Councillor Budd noted that the recently arranged community picking event and suggested that the Town Council could run something in the future. Members discussed the potential for arranging something for 11 September.

26. Date of next meeting: TBC July 2021