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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LEISURE, FORESHORE & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
HELD AT 7.30PM ON THURSDAY 21st MARCH 2013 AT THE LEIGH COMMUNITY CENTRE, 71-73
ELM ROAD, LEIGH-ON-SEA

Present Cllrs: Carole Mulronee (Chairman), Donald Fraser, Richard Herbert, Caroline Parker and David Stanley

In attendance: Paul Beckerson (Town Clerk), 2 Members of the public.

The meeting opened at 7.30pm

59. CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS

The Chairman welcomed members to the meeting.

60. APOLOGIES

Cllrs Alex Coulson, Pat Holden and Paul Lawrence

61. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTEREST

Cllrs Carole Mulronee and Donald Fraser declared a non-pecuniary interest in Minute xx as Trustees of Leigh Heritage Centre.

62. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 21st FEBRUARY 2013

The minutes of 21st February 2013 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

63. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

a) Old Town Community Group Meeting 18th February 2013 – (Appendix 1 to the agenda)

The Chairman reported that the bridge by Sarah's Tea Rooms which had been shut for several weeks would re-open sometime within the next week after temporary lighting had been installed.

The Minutes were **noted**.

b) Maritime Festival Working Party 15th January 2013 – Report 2178/MFWP – (Appendix 2 to the agenda)

Members welcomed the broadening of the event to other groups. The report was **noted**.

c) Easter Event Working Party

Cllr Caroline Parker updated members on the event, especially the introduction of chicks and lambs weather permitting.

d) Folk Festival application for grant aid – (Appendix 3 to the Agenda)

It was **RESOLVED** that the Folk Festival be offered the use of the Community Centre for a fund raising event lasting a day and an evening (equivalent to £500) or £300 in cash.

- e) Cemetery Clean Up – Call for volunteers

An approach was going to be made to West Leigh School to see if a combined study visit (learning about possible ancestors) plus clearance could be beneficial.

- f) Good for Leigh Awards 2013

The Committee **RESOLVED** to approve the nomination of 1 company and 3 individual awards. (Confidential Appendix)

64. BUDGETS 2012/13 – Report 2181 (Appendix 4 to the agenda)

The report was **noted**

65. CREATION OF EARMARKED RESERVES

The Committee **RECOMMENDED** to F&GPC the creation of two earmarked reserves from the predicted underspends, £700 for the purchase of event lighting and £600 for the Coronation Event.

66. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

That under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted. (Contractual)

67. STRAND WHARF – Architects Fees and proposals (Confidential Appendix to the agenda)

The Committee **RESOLVED:**

To instruct the Architect to carry out work up to stage D planning and thereafter to engage on a percentage of contract sum basis as expressed in the contract (Under Financial Regulation – Contracts - 11.1.a.ii).

Continue with the lease negotiations via the Council's solicitor.

Pay the interim invoice in the sum of £1,170 to the Architect.

The Committee expressed the wish that the review process by S&TPSC should take place in May.

The meeting closed at 8.28pm