## **WELLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL**

Minutes of an Extra Ordinary meeting of the Wellington Town Centre Committee held at the United Reformed Church Hall, Fore Street, Wellington TA21 8AG on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2023 at 6.00pm

Present: Councillors M. Lithgow (Chair), C. Booth, C. Govier, J. Lloyd

Non-Councillors: M.Vincent. S Pringle-Kosikowsky.

**In Attendance:** Alice Kendall – Deputy Clerk

Annette Kirk - Assets & Events Officer

One member of the press

### 197 ELECTION OF CHAIR

**RESOLVED** that Councillor M Lithgow would act as Chair in the absence of Councillor S Booker

### 198 APOLOGIES

Apologies had been received from Councillor K Wheatley and non-councillors S. Davis and Z Old.

### 199 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest.

# **200 QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**No public present.

## 201 WELLINGTON TOWN CARNIVAL - SATURDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2023

**a) RESOLVED** that Council Officers obtain three quotations for a light buffet for the Mayor's Reception.

**RESOLVED** to approve a budget of £500.00 for Council Officers to spend on a light buffet and drinks for Mayor's Reception.

**b) RESOLVED** not to hire a viewing stage for the Mayor's Reception but to cordon off an area and erect gazebos and chairs for guests to use. Location to be decided.

### 202 CHRISTMAS EXPENDITURE

The Committee considered a report with a breakdown of costings for items proposed for the Switch on Event as well as entertainment on additional Saturdays. It was noted the proposed expenditure was significantly over the current budget. It was felt that, given the current cost-of-living crisis, entertainment should come from the local community.

**RESOLVED** to only have street entertainment for the Switch On Event (not additional Saturdays) and to remove from the proposal the hire of a ride, snow globe and grotto. Also, to try and wrap a window in a Christmas theme.

**RESOLVED** to approve a budget of £10,500 for Christmas Entertainment.

# 203 ROCKWELL WELL GREEN CHRISTMAS TREE

**RESOLVED** to agree the new location of the Christmas Tree at The Well Christian Centre. Subject to final and formal agreement

The meeting ended at 7.30pm		
Councillor M Lithgow Chair		