

HOLYHEAD TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE EVENTS SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING
(AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES IN ATTENDANCE)
MONDAY 18 FEBRUARY 2019 10.30 a.m.

Present: Councillor Keith R Roberts (Chairman), Keith Thomas (Mayor), Alan Williams (Stena Line Ports), Councillor Glyn Haynes, Councillor Adrienne Edwards, Councillor Richard Parry (Holyhead Festival), Dave Hughes (41 Club), Councillor Hywel Williams (41 Club), Richard Burnell (South Stack Committee/Holyhead Festival), Rikki Jones (Holyhead Round Table), Rita Lyon (Môn CF) Robert Williams (Holyhead Festival) and Dale Moffatt Holyhead Town Council.

In attendance: Robert Henderson, Community Services Manager
Mrs P R Scott (Clerk/Typist)

1. To ask the question – “Is anyone recording the meeting”?

No one was recording the meeting.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received by Councillor Mrs Beryl Warner BEM and Bailey Michael Williams (Holyhead Round Table)

3. DECLARATION OF INTETREST BY ANY MEMBER PRESENT:

Councillor Keith Thomas (Mayor) stated that he was a Director of Môn CF who is represented on this Sub-Committee. The interest is not a Prejudicial Interest so therefore he did not leave the Council Chamber unless there is an item whereby any service is offered to Môn CF by the Town Council or vice versa, then he would withdraw.

4. The Chairman of the Committee, Councillor Keith R Roberts stated that the purpose of the meeting was so that everyone was aware of any up-coming events that would be occurring during the forthcoming year so that everyone could work together for the good of the community.

Councillor Alan Williams outlined some of the details of the St David’s Day Parade which had been organised by Hannah Huws of Menter Iaith Môn to be held on Thursday 7th March 2019 – a Parade through the town by school pupils, ending up on Newry Beach when the Holyhead Male Voice Choir would sing. This could not be held on 1st March 2019 as it was half term holiday for the local schools. A small delegation from Greystones Town Council would be travelling over to Holyhead for this event and Robert Henderson confirmed that their hospitality expenses would be paid for by the Holyhead Town Council (overnight accommodation costs).

A school concert was due to be held on Thursday 21st February 2019 at 6.00 p.m. at the Holyhead High School to celebrate St David with local school pupils and local artists taking part. Details of a proposed Armed Forces Day in Holyhead later on in the year would be made known and finalised nearer to the time.

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Councillor Alan Williams stated that the idea to start the Christmas Parade from the Town Park on the 24 November 2018 last year was a good idea. Richard Burnell suggested ending the Christmas Parade at the Swift Square car park in the future and other ideas included having a "Winter Wonderland" event at the Swift Square car park in the future. Robert Henderson confirmed that a budget of £10,000.00 had been set aside for new Christmas lighting and features for 2019 by the Holyhead Town Council in their draft Estimates.

Robert Henderson confirmed that the official opening of the new Skatepark at the Town Park was to be held next Monday, 25 February 2019 at 2.00 p.m.

Councillor Adrienne Edwards and Councillor Richard Parry informed the Committee that they had recently attended a meeting of the Holy Island Committee which comprised of members of the Holyhead Maritime Museum and St Cybi's Parish Church who gave advice to tourists visiting Holyhead and this was a very informative meeting in promoting visitor attractions in the town. It was also proposed that when the new landtrain was up and running that it would visit all areas of the town dropping people off in various locations along the way.

Robert Henderson stated that he would contact the lease holder of the public toilets at the Newry Beach as it was important to retain and up-grade, if necessary, these public conveniences at the Newry Beach.

Alan Williams confirmed that a Dragon Egg hunt would be held on Saturday 2nd March 2019 between 10.00 a.m. and 12.30 p.m. for children commencing at the Town Park to the Newry Beach. If anyone had suitable questions that could be used in connection with the Dragon Egg hunt to contact him prior to the 2nd March 2019.

Dave Hughes stated that part of the Holyhead Festival this year would be an evening to celebrate the Emergency Services which would be held on Sunday night – 28 July 2019 when there would also be a hog roast. Dave Hughes stated that there would be no craft marquee at the Holyhead Festival in July of 2019.

Robert Williams representing the Holyhead Festival stated that he was going to visit various beer festivals to see if a beer festival could be held in Holyhead in the future.

Richard Parry stated that the football tournaments for the Island Games in June 2019 would be held at the Holyhead Hotspur Club facilities in Kingsland. 10 Mens teams and 8 womens teams would be taking part and would be staying in different parts of the island.

5. To discuss the purchasing of two defibrillators:

Robert Henderson stated that he would make enquiries with suitable companies and report back to the next meeting of the Sub-Committee.

The date of the next meeting was scheduled to take place on Monday 25 March 2019 at 10.30 a.m. The meeting concluded at 11.40 a.m.

