



Fleetwood Town Council

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THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FLEETWOOD FESTIVE LIGHTS COMMITTEE

HELD ON 27TH MARCH 2019 AT THE NORTH
EUSTON HOTEL FLEETWOOD

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Present: Chairperson Christine Smith, Secretary Julie Dalton, Robert Brown, Anne Brown, Mary Stirzaker Jacqui Victor-Corrie, Dawn McCord

Item 639. Accepted Apologies for absence.

Cheryl Raynor, Emma Anderton, Marge Anderton, Lorraine Beavers, Craig Armstrong, Michael Conn,

Item 640. To accept the Minutes of the Meeting 27th February 2019

Minutes accepted and signed.

Item 641. To record Disclosable Pecuniary interests from Committee members (including their spouses, civil partners or partners) in any item to be discussed. Committee members MUST NOT make representations or vote on the matter therein

Committee duly noted

Item 642. To record other (Personal or Prejudicial) interests from Committee members in any item to be discussed. Members should state if they need to bar themselves from discussion and voting on any related matters.

Committee duly noted

Item 643. Standing Guidance for Committee Members. The Committee Chairman reminds all members to take note of the standing guidance.

Committee duly noted

For future reference, the Committee would like the Chairman to be referred to as Chairperson not Chairman

Item 644. To note the current Festive Lights Budget statement now including predicted expenditure. Balance £30,937.54



The Committee were pleased to note that we have a healthy budget. Discussions will take place about how to utilise the monies in the budget for any additional lighting up of the town at Christmas

Item 645. To approve the payment of the unmetered electricity supply invoice of £188.99 the 2018/2019

The Committee approved the payment of £188.99 to EON

Item 646. To receive updates/discuss

- Update from Terry Rogers regarding a response from Blachere relating to the two lamp posts that Lancashire County Council Highways identified as having shrinkage of sealant at the commando socket
- The Committee asked for confirmation as to whether Blachere have been contacted with regards to their responsibility in this instance. This is the last year of the contract with Blachere and failure to act on this situation will impact on whether the Committee will be willing to take out any further contract with Blachere. **Action Point – Terry Rogers**

- **Updates regarding Race Night**

The Committee approved the poster produced by Jacqui Victor-Corrie.

Start time will be 7pm. The buffet and drawing of the raffle to take place during the interval at 8.30pm.

All Committee members are requested to donate a raffle prize and to be brought to the April meeting.

3 raffle books in different colours to be purchased **Action Point – Jacqui Victor-Corrie**
Winning numbers will be allocated to the prizes so that winners can collect their prizes during the interval.

50 posters require to be printed at the Town Council Office **Action Point – Debra Thornton**

Posters will be advertised on Fleetwood pages on Facebook and all contacts known to the Festive Lights Committee. Posters will also be emailed to Richard at Fleetwood Weekly News and Simon at the free paper "Your Community Matters": Ticket price £10.

There are three menus supplied by Sue Stafford (Sue's Buffets), £3, £4 and £5) The Committee agreed to go for the mid-range price £4 per head.

Menu to be obtained for decision at the next meeting **Action Point – Julie Dalton**

Cut-off date for selling tickets will be Friday 3rd May as numbers have to be supplied for the buffet a week before the event.



Tickets will be supplied to Committee members to sell. They will be numbered and allocated as follows:

- Jacqui 1-20
- Julie 21-30
- Christine 31-40
- Emma 41-50
- Mary 51-60
- Cheryl 61-70
- Ann & Robert 71-80
- Lorraine 81-90

Committee member Julie Dalton has all the tickets at her home address and requests that the committee contact her to arrange pick up of their ticket allocations.

Race Organiser cost £200

Float required £200 Money to be collected from the Town Council Office on Thursday 9th May **Action Point – Mary Stirzaker**

To be changed into different denominations of £1 coins etc. **Action Point – Robert Brown**

As last year the Festive Lights Committee will sponsor a race at a cost of £5 per each committee member. The name of the race to be sponsored is “All Lit Up”

Tables will be named as of last year.

Hesketh Press to be contacted to print programmes **Action Point – Jacqui Victor-Corrie**

Backing a horse will be £5. There will be 8 races. If that horse wins the race the winner will also receive a prize. **Action Point – Jacqui Victor-Corrie**

Receipts will be required for the 8 prizes purchased for reimbursement by the Town Council Office

Totes for the races 1-4 **Action Point – Christine Smith and a volunteer.**

Volunteers will be required for races 5-8

Raffle ticket sellers **Action Point –Mary Stirzaker and Dawn McCord**

Collecting admission tickets – **Action Point -Julie Dalton**

- **Updates regarding the meeting on with Richard Williams Blackpool Illuminations and Rob from Blachere on illuminating the trees at Fisherman’s Walk.**

Richard Williams met with members of the Committee on 19th March at Fisherman’s Walk but has not responded to the request to provide a quote in time for this meeting.

Robert from Blachere provided a quote of £13,999.00 inclusive of VAT

Richard Ryan advised that KD Decoratives who illuminated the Pocket Park went into liquidation in February, they are a subsidiary of Blachere. Management are no longer employed. The employees now come under Blachere. Richard Ryan and Rob from Blachere have worked together to provide the quote. The figure quoted is considered too much so Richard Ryan will consult with Blachere so a further update will be required. **Action Point – Mary Stirzaker**



It was suggested that the infrastructure for 4 lamp posts included in the above quote should be actioned by Lancashire Highways. Mary Stirzaker has approached Committee member Lorraine Beavers to liaise with Lancashire Highways **Action Point – Lorraine Beavers**

Plans of the Mount Pavilion will be provided to the Committee to illuminate as the 1930's. Meetings will have to take place as to where the hooks and sockets are required. Not necessary at the moment because due to the renovations taken place on the Mount, it will not be possible to illuminate it this year.

Item 647. AOB

The Committee are advised that the Marine Hall has confirmed that on Switch On Night, 16th November, there is another event taking place in the Marine Hall so toilet access will not be allowed to people attending the Lantern Parade. Dawn has contacted Danfo to ask if they would be willing to provide free access to the portable toilets for the evening in light of it being a charitable/community event - she will let us know what they say.

☐ The barriers - The Marine Hall will leave the barriers open for the event

☐ The Catering Trolley - They fully understand the problems caused by the location of the catering trolley last year and are happy to either relocate the trolley outside the front doors, or not offer this at all? Deferred to the May meeting

Christmas Ball

Dates to be considered Saturdays 30th November or 7th December. Defer for a decision for April meeting.

Venue to be decided Parkside Suite or North Euston Hotel.

Three different menus and three prices for the Committee to choose. Defer for a decision for May meeting

Item 648. Items for discussion at the next meeting which is the Annual General Meeting

- Elect Chairperson and Secretary
- Updates regarding Race Night
- Update from Terry Rogers regarding a response from Blachere relating to the two lamp posts that Lancashire County Council Highways identified as having shrinkage of sealant at the commando socket
- Updates required from Richard Ryan and Richard Williams Blackpool Illuminations

Item 649. To agree date and time of next meeting.

Next Meeting AGM Monday 29th April 2019 7pm in the Residents Lounge at the North Euston Hotel