

## **Minutes of Culture, Tourism & Communications Committee Wednesday, 24 January 2024, at 6.33pm. Hybrid Meeting at the Ostreme Centre & via Teams**

**Councillors Present** Cllrs Rob Marshall (Chair), Martin O'Neill, Rhian Evans, Richard Jarvis and Angela O'Connor

**Officer Present:** Claire Anderson – Events Officer and Ian Hughes – Committee Support Officer (CSO)

CT2401-01

**Apologies for Absence**

Cllrs. Tim Zhou and Mike Parkin.

CT2401-02

**Declarations of Interest**

None

CT2401-03

**Minutes of the Previous Meeting of the Committee**

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 6 December 2023 as a true record.

**Resolved:** To approve the meeting minutes held on 6 December 2023 as an accurate record. Proposed by Cllr Jarvis and seconded by Cllr O'Neill.

CT2401-04

**Update on actions from previous meeting**

Outstanding actions discussed.

**RESOLVED** Outstanding actions updated and completed, details recorded in 'action' report by CSO.

CT2401-05

**Budget Monitoring Report to 30/11/2023 - RFO, Paul Beynon**

Financial reports prepared by RFO Paul Beynon had previously been provided to councillors. In the absence of the RFO, The CSO highlighted financial aspects not covered in other agenda items. In particular that expenditure will increase in December 2023 and January 2024 due to invoices being paid for the Christmas Lights and Christmas Parties.

Coffee with Friends is overspending as the budget of £600 was only meant to cover the summer months with Warm Hubs then taking over for the rest of the year. As a Warm Hub has not been set up at the Ostreme there has been an underspending in relation to this. It was proposed that the Council should vire £1,400 from Warm Hubs to Coffee with Friends.

The CSO offered to take questions in relation to these reports.

**RESOLVED** to approve the budget monitoring report to 30th November 2023

**RECOMMENDED** that Full Council should vire £1,400 from Warm Hubs to Coffee with Friends

CT2401-06

### **MumblesFest**

Budgeting reports connected to MumblesFest had been prepared by RFO Paul Beynon and had previously been provided to councillors. A discussion took place on the timing of the event with a need to avoid a clash with other events taking place such as The Swansea Half Marathon. Other considerations included the type of acts to be included including the use of school choirs.

**AGREED:** that Cllrs Marshall & O'Connor to liaise with Claire Anderson (Events Officer) and RFO on progressing.

**RESOLVED** to hold MumblesFest on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2024 subject to any unforeseen events taking place. Back-up date of 1<sup>st</sup> June 2024 agreed.

CT2401-07

### **01 March 2024 - Welsh Event**

A discussion took place with the limited time available to provide an event at Ostreme for residents and those working in the area of MCC. The use of the 'Dragon Parade' from MDT was also discussed.

**RESOLVED** to hold a Welsh Event on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024 but cancelling the Coffee with Friends on the previous day (29.2.24) thereby utilising volunteer and hospitality resources. Publicity to be given to the event thereby widening the appeal for those attending.

**ACTION:** Claire Anderson to obtain a quote for hiring The Dragon Parade.

**ACTION:** Claire Anderson to arrange publicity for the event.

**ACTION:** Cllrs Evans and Marshall together with RFO and Events Officer to form a working group within the next three weeks to consider budget costs and identify a school choir for participation at the event.

CT2401-08

**February 2024 Half Term Fun Days**

**AGREED:** to remove this item as an agenda due to it being an established regular event that is monitored through each of the wards. No Committee participation required,

CT2401-09

**Floral Decorations**

Documents connected to Floral Swansea had been prepared by RFO Paul Beynon and had previously been provided to councillors. The CSO outlined how Floral Decorations invoiced by Swansea Council is £1,000 less than the budget but this has been vired to the Community Parties budget as agreed by Council in December 2023. The virement will be included on the report next month.

CT2401-10

**Christmas Lights for 2024**

**AGREED:** to defer agenda item of Christmas Lights for 2024 to February Committee Meeting.

CT2401-11

**Future Events**

A discussion took place on future events including re-introducing a boules competition and setting up from Easter the opportunity for local traders to showcase their products at The Ostreme. The warmer weather of Spring would also provide an opportunity for stalls and entertainment to be held outside the Ostree. Whilst such events would provide a further opportunity for local traders to network consideration should be given not to overstretch the limited resources of MCC with too many events.

**AGREED;** to postpone any decision on future events until after the budget had been set at April's Meeting of Full Council with the exception of those already planned.

**The meeting ended at 7.35pm.**



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**Next Meeting 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

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