

Saxmundham Town Council

Minutes of the Events and Communications Committee Meeting Friday 2nd June 2023 at 10.00 am at the Town House, Station Approach, Saxmundham

Committee Members: Cllr. Di Eastman Cllr. C. Hawkins Cllr. B. Gulliford			
Also Present: Katy Bailey, Town Clerk			
13/23EC	Apologies and approvals of absence: Apologies received from Cllr. James Sandbach. The meeting was chaired by Cllr. Benjamin Gulliford.		
14/23EC	Declarations of Interest: None Received.		
15/23EC	Minutes of the Previous Meeting: Minutes of meeting 14 th April 2023 were unanimously approved.		
16/23EC	Open Forum: There were no members of the public present.		
17/23EC	Notice boards: Discussion postponed until next meeting. Action: Town Clerk to get quotes for metal noticeboards to go outside Waitrose and East Anglia Children's Hospice Shop. Town Clerk to contact Waitrose about land near Fromus Square.		
18/23EC	Newsletter review & planning for future editions: Annual Report – thanks to Cllr. Di Eastman for her work on coordinating the publication. Action – Town Clerk to promote when Saxmundham Magazine is out.		
19/23EC	 Arts Festival (10/6/2023) The Art Station has appointed Jonathon Clogg as an events manager, which has taken pressure off the Council. If anyone would like to volunteer should inform Cllr. Di Eastman. Discussion about waste management and environmental recycling. Action – Town Clork to research Hore Site Solutions as possible company to manage events.		
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20/23EC	Christmas Fayre Update: The Royal British Legion band have been booked and SARS have been invited.		
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The road closure has been applied for.

It was suggested that some kind of competition for the High Street shops should be suggested.

Action: Town Clerk to create project plan in preparation for The Christmas Fayre.

21/23EC Discuss potential other dates of events:

Discussion about the Annual Town Meeting – the feedback from those who attended has been very positive, we should build on this for next year.

It was suggested to have a Community Groups Fair possibly in October/ November focusing on Grant Applications.

The dates for future meetings this year were confirmed.

22/23EC Communication with the Saxmundham Business Community

a) Update after the meeting with East Suffolk District Council – they will be looking at our Social Media presence and giving advice to improve our outreach.

Action:

Town Clerk to follow up with Economic Group

Town Clerk to update the business questionnaire in line with Morag's recommendations.

Meeting finished at 10:42	Next meeting 14 th July 2023
Katy Bailey	
Town Clerk	6/6/23

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