

Macclesfield Town Council Services Committee Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on the 21st November at 7pm at Macclesfield Town Hall.

In Attendance:

Cllr Janet Jackson MBE Cllr Ruth Thompson Cllr Fiona Wilson Cllr Sarah Bennett-Wake Cllr Sandy Livingstone

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr Chris Wilcock Cllr Neil Puttick

2. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Janet Jackson declared non pecuniary interest in 6.1b as she is a Trustee of Roe-naissance.

Cllr Sandy Livingstone declared non pecuniary interest in 6.1b as he works on the Roe-naissance garden.

Public Questions

The meeting was adjourned to invite comments and questions from the public. Jane Stephens and Nigel Bradley attended to give an update on the Barnaby Festival for 2023. Barnaby updated their plans, Councillors were clear that they were happy to be engaged by Barnaby, and asked that a parade was a must. A plan and budget is to be presented to the Town Clerk for Councillors as soon as possible to see what funding can possibly be available. Jo Lowes from Roe-naissance attended to speak on item 6.1b Party in the Pews and asked for funding of £3000 towards the event and any money raised will go to the Christ Church. A team of volunteers will provide the event. See item 6.1b for decision.

The meeting then was reconvened.

3. Minutes of the Services Committee Meeting held 26th September 2022.

Resolved: The minutes were approved.

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

Resolved: There were no matters arising from the minutes.

5. Community

5.1 Community Engagement Update

To receive and note the updated report.

5.2 CVSCE

To receive and note the updated report.

6. Local Service Delivery

6.1 Events update

To receive and note the updated report.

Resolved:

• 6.1b The proposal within the Party in the Pews report 6.1b was approved.

The Committee agreed that the events update should include Councillors work in assisting with, promoting and attending events.

6.2 Floral Displays

The report was noted.

6.3 Public Toilets

The report was noted.

6.4 Festoon Lights

The report was noted.

6.5 Tunnicliffe Trail

The report was noted.

7. Leisure and Outdoor Activities

7.1 Parks and Play Areas

The report was noted.

7.2 South Park Pavilion

The report was noted.

7.3 Playing Out

The report was noted.

7.4 Allotments

The report was noted.

7.5 Street Sports

To report was noted.

8. Street Scene

8.1 Public Realm Furniture

The report was noted.

8.2 Town Ranger

The report was noted and the committee have asked the Clerk to pass on their thanks to all 3 Rangers.

8.3 Middlewood Way Lighting

The report was noted. Cllr Wilson will be attending the CEC Full Council on Wednesday, 14 December 2022, as previously agreed to progress this issue.

8.4 Market Place Phone Boxes

The report was noted.

9. Town Centre Re-generation

9.1 Town Centre Recovery Working Group

The report was noted.

9.2 Footfall Mapping Data

The report was noted.

9.3 Town Centre Free Wi-Fi Data

The report was noted.

9.4 Town Centre Signage

The report was noted.

9.5 Community Transport Working Group

The minutes of 4th October 2022 were noted.

10. Council Identity and Communications

The report from the Communications Officer was noted.

11. Budget 2023/24

The budget was approved for recommendation to Full Council on 12th December 2022.

12. Date/Time and Place of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Services Committee will be held 27th February 2023 at 7pm at Macclesfield Town Hall.

Meeting closed 8:53pm Chair: Cllr Janet Jackson MBE Clerk: Laura Smith