

HERNE & BROOMFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting of Herne & Broomfield Parish Council Environment & Leisure Committee held at Herne Mill, Wootton Room, on Thursday 19th January 2017 at 7.30pm, for the purpose of transacting the following.

Present: Cllr Blatherwick, Cllr Taylor, Cllr Davis, Cllr Sargent, Cllrs Saunders, Cllr Davison and Paul Parker. Cllr Rafferty attended but went home as he was unwell.

01/17	Apologies for absence. Cllr Davison will be late.
02/17	To receive declarations of interest on items on the agenda. Cllr Sargent item 09/17.
03/17	The minutes of the meeting held on 6 th September 2016, were agreed as a correct record.
04/17	Matters arising. None
	Public Adjournment. Members of the public asking questions on the agenda should give their name and address None
05/17	Update on Thank you event, children's party and float. The thank you event for volunteers went very well and was well attended, the clerk thanked Michelle for all her help and everyone else that helped out during the afternoon. The Children's Christmas party went really well with 70 children in attendance. Due to Pip, double booking herself, there was a new children's entertainer, but he went down very well and kept the children's attention for an hour. The clerk thanked all those who had helped out at the party and on the float and of course Father Christmas. It was suggested that it would be good to have some balloon modelling when the children were queueing to see Father Christmas. The clerk will take this into account when booking an entertainer. The float was well received in both Herne and Broomfield and the weather was kind. Thanks to all those involved. Donations received for the float came to £688.17, there were expenses of £95.29. Debrief on float. There was discussion on the issue of giving out presents, and concerns raised that some children attending would not understand why they were not getting a present. It was agreed that as Willow Farm are organised that present drop should continue, but would not be advertised in the newsletter as a stop, that would discourage people from further away coming to that area. Cllr Blatherwick thought that when the new Community Centre is up and running there could be a Santa Grotto and parents could bring presents for Father Christmas to give out. It was agreed that there should be set stops and the route was discussed and stops agreed. The clerk will put times to these stops and produce a programme for the web site and newsletter. It was agreed that no more lights could be used on

	the float, more tinsel would be good, there was a problem with baubles as they get caught up in overhanging trees. The purchase of a snow machine was discussed, Paul said he would find out how much it would cost to repair his and members agreed that they would cover the cost of this up to £150, this could then be used at the party and on the float. It was suggested that there could be artificial snow blanket on the floor of the float around Santa's feet, and that perhaps equipment should be hidden away. It was also decided that Father Christmas would stay on the float. Children would not be allowed on the float, other than those going with the float and Michelle will try and get flashing arm bands for these. The elves would give out sweets etc and have the collection buckets. At the end of the evening the buckets will need to be given to Cllr Sargent and help will need to be given to storing the float away for the following night etc.
06/17	To discuss Flower Beds/Tubs in the village. Michelle had spoken to Cllr Davison with regard to the Community Pay Back people, who would work on the flower bed and at the Mill. It is hoped that the planters could be done fairly easily.
07/17	To discuss the Family Fun Day and bookings so far. The fun day will be on 30th July, the clerk will ask CCC for the forms. The scouts will not be available this year due to the Jamboree, which is held every 4 years. Alternative refreshments will be sourced. Edwards Leisure are confirmed and the clerk has notified some of the classic car clubs. The usual people will be invited to attend. Cllr Saunders confirmed the Faversham Mission Band at the reduced cost of £150, he will also try to get the Sea Cadets and the climbing wall, Tai Chi and Karate. The fun races were really good last year with a large number taking part both children and adults. The church would like a stall. More on this at the next meeting. Hopefully the Dog Show will be OK and Paul confirmed he was OK for the PA. Pip will be given the date.
08/17	To set date for Children's Christmas Party and float 2017. The date for the party this year will be 9th December, subject to hall availability. The float dates for this year are Herne 16th December and Broomfield 17th December.
09/17	To discuss Broomfield Community Park, maintenance contract and new signage. Additional work to the path. The clerk will work with Cllr Sargent to update the work required for the year and then quotes will be sourced. The S106 funding left will go towards some additional work on BMX track, a quote has been requested for this work. Also some spraying off of weeds. The new signage needs to be sorted and the clerk has said she will look into that with Cllr Harvey. (Cllr Davison arrived at this point).
10/17	To set date for Garden Safari and date for meeting with those opening their gardens. The clerk reported that the date for the Safari was 11 June and a meeting for those taking part has been set for 27th January. Six gardens have dropped out so far, new gardens are needed. The church was going to do something for GS possible a Flower Show or similar. Sarah Bingham is organising these events.
11/17	Members' reports and correspondence received by the clerk. Cllr Davis reported that there had not been any Pond task days. The clerk

	reported that Sarah Bingham and Tracy Barden have asked if the wardens can attend again at the Strode Christmas Fair, doing the cards. The date for the fair is 25 th November. The Summer Fair (joint with school) is on 17 th June and PC has been invited to have a stall. St Martins Christmas Fair is on 17 th November and again it is hoped pc will have a stall.
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Meeting closed 9.10pm.