



Dulverton Town Council

Dulverton Traders Association

Dulverton Town Hall

Dulverton Heritage Centre

Dulverton Partnership Meeting Minutes 17th January 2024 at 10.00 am at Exchange Cottage, Lady Street, Dulverton TA22 9EX

Present: Christine Dubery, Nick Thwaites, Margaret Rawle, Ali Pegrum, Louise Ogden, Allison Crisp, Chris Nelder, Hayley Sampson and Ken Warren

Apologies: None

Approval of Minutes of previous meeting:

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes of 13th December 2023. Proposed by Chris Nelder, seconded by Allison Crisp and carried.

Chairman's Comments:

Chris thanked all the members of the group for their work over the last 12 months and continuing support for the year ahead.

Matters Arising: None

Finances: Statement and approval of payments to date (Appendix A): None specified

Events 24:

Antiques Valuation Day – Saturday 23rd March 2024

The Antiques Valuation Day on Sat 23rd March will be held in the Town Hall. Adam Partridge Auctioneers will attend and will provide mystery items for the competition in the hall. Allison Crisp kindly offered a bottle of wine for the winner. The entry fee will be 'three items for £5 using cloakroom tickets as at the previous event. Ali will arrange for the banner to be updated and erected on the Town Hall steps immediately after the Dulverton Player's production at the end of February.

She will also contact the Fixy Van to ascertain if they would like to attend. Oggies will have a table of upcycled musical instruments and Christine will contact Tim Venning regarding a stall of upcycled and repurposed household items. Margaret will arrange coffee/tea and cake to be available all day.

RESOVED: To approve expenditure of up to £100.00 with regards changing the date on the Antiques Day banner and the printing of one thousand A6 flyers listing the 2024 planned events. Proposed by Nick Thwaites, seconded by Christine Dubery and carried.

Secret Gardens - Sunday 23rd June 2024.

Tickets will be priced at £5 in advance or £7 on the day. No charge for children under 16 years of age. Refreshments will be available in the Town Hall. A donation to local charities will be made after the event.

Artisan Festival - Sat 6th July 2024

To be held on Exmoor Lawns.

Fun Run and Canicross - Sunday 15th September 2024.

There will be 5K and 10K routes only. New signage is needed.

Literary Festival: Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th November 2024

The event will take place in the Town Hall.

Ali reported that further thought will be given to use of the Library for the event. The writing competition will take place. Ali will provide an update on the authors and speakers booked to attend at the next meeting. A £500 grant has been awarded by the Dulverton Development Forum. Gold sponsorship will cost £1000 and a 'Friends Scheme' is to be explored.

Dulverton Sounds Music Festival – Saturday May 25th 2024

The festival will be held on Exmoor Lawns. Louise Ogden informed those present that all the Bands have confirmed their attendance. It is planned to set up the site on Wed 22nd and Thursday 23rd May. Chairs and barriers are to be hired. Members determined that mobile toilet facilities would not be provided.

The festival will commence at 3pm. A £10 entry fee will be imposed; payment confirmed by a wrist band. The Big Brass Band will require 20 chairs and will arrive by coach. Louise will arrange parking for the coach. The Band members are to be given complimentary tickets.

Dulverton by Starlight: Date arranged for Sunday 1st December 2024.

Any other Business with permission of the Chairman:

Ali asked if the 'Where to Stay' catchment area currently available on the website could be widened geographically to include businesses situated outside the existing TA22 9 catchment area. Business's located in surrounding areas (e.g. Withypool/Winsford), would be able to access the facility, which may boost the footfall visiting Dulverton. It was subsequently:

AGREED: To impose an annual charge of £40 plus VAT to cover costs of administration.

Christine stated that she had applied to the Exmoor National Park for the Licence to use their car park for all the events. Applications for the necessary licences are currently being submitted for all the events planned.

The meeting closed at 11.45 pm.

Date of next Meeting: Monday 26th February at 1pm, at Exchange Cottage.