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28th May, 2014

Dear Councillor,

A meeting of the Cultural and Community Committee will be held in Meeting Room 5 at the Town Hall, Parade, Royal Leamington Spa on **MONDAY 2ND June, 2014 commencing at 6.30 pm.**

The business will be as set out below.

Yours faithfully,

Clerk to the Town Council

To:- Councillors H. Calver, J. Clarke, R. Copping, G. Dulay, S. Ingleby, Y. Moore, Mota Singh and A. Stevens.

Mr J. Mather, Colin Beadle (Leamington International Twinning Society)

(All other Members of the Town Council – Agenda for information only)

AGENDA

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members are invited to declare any interest they may have in an item identified for discussion at the Meeting.

3. **PUBLIC FORUM**

To receive representations from Members of the public in accordance with Council Standing Orders.

4. TOWN TWINNING MATTERS

(i) Twinning Working Group

Minutes of the meeting of the Twinning Working Group held on 1st May 2014 (Report 4)

(ii) To consider any other matters arising in relation to Town Twinning.
Members of Leamington Twinning Society are in attendance for this item.

5. MINUTES

To approve and sign as a correct record the Minutes of the Meeting of the Cultural and Community Committee held on 1st May 2014 (Report No. 5)

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

To consider any matters identified.

7. LEAMINGTON GUIDED WALKS

To consider the programme of walks around Leamington organised by the Leamington History Group. Publicity leaflet enclosed.

8. COMMUNITY GRANTS

To note the timetable for submission of Community Grants for 2014/15 as follows:-

8th September 2014

26th January 2015

9. COMMUNITY GRANT MONITORING INFORMATION

To consider the latest monitoring information received in relation to the following Grant Awards:-

1st Sydenham Scout Group -£1,000

Motionhouse Junior - £1605

Copies of the Monitoring Forms relating to the above applications will be available for inspection prior to, and during, the meeting.

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE TOWN TWINNING WORKING GROUP HELD ON 1ST MAY 2014 AT THE TOWN HALL, LEAMINGTON SPA

Present: Councillor Amanda Stevens (Chair), Roger Copping, John Knight, Tony Bass (LITS) and Robert Nash (Town Clerk)

3. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Judith Clarke and Sue Ingleby and John Mather.

4. **MINUTES**

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Town Twinning Working Group held on 13th February 2014 are confirmed as a correct record.

5. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

The Town Clerk reported that since the last meeting the request made by the Town Council to locate the donated bench at the Pump Room Gardens had met with difficulty as it was the view of Warwick District Council that this would conflict with the current Heritage Lottery bid submitted by the Friends of Pump Room Gardens and the District Council. It was agreed that this site should remain the preferred option and that an informal discussion with the Chairman of the Friends would possibly be helpful to a successful conclusion. If no resolution could be found then Jephson Gardens should remain the next priority subject to identifying a suitable site near the tree donated by Bruhl on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the Twinning Agreement.

RESOLVED that further investigation is undertaken of the preferred option to place the memorial bench at Royal Pump Room Gardens

6. **BRUHL –SCEAUX 50TH ANNIVERSARY**

It was confirmed that the Twinning Conference and celebrations at Bruhl to mark the 50th Anniversary of the Twinning Agreement between Sceaux and Bruhl would be attended by Councillors Knight, Wilkinson, Singh and Gill. Approximately three members of the Twinning Society were also likely to join the event. All attendees would be flying.

7. **BRUHL INWARD VISIT – SEPTEMBER 2014**

Discussion took place in relation to various aspects of the organisational arrangements for the visit to Leamington of invitees from Bruhl and Sceaux for the Twinning celebrations over the period 4th-8th September 2014.

RESOLVED to Recommend the Cultural and Community Committee

(i) that additional stalls for use by the Town Council or Twinning Society are not required during the Food and Drink Festival over the period of 6th-7th September;

(ii) Walking tours of Leamington to be undertaken on the morning of Sunday 6th September are discussed with the Guild of Guides, including the option of translators being nominated by LITS;

(iii) consideration is given to providing visiting guests with a £5 voucher to exchange for food or drink at the Festival;

(iv) an invitation is extended to the Master of the Lord Leycester Hotel as the guest speaker at the Civic Dinner at Warwick School on 6th September

(v) that the inclusion of a musical recital by pupils from local schools is omitted from the programme for the Civic Service on 7th September;

(vi) the option of participation by the Church Choir at the Civic service is discussed with the Parish Priest and that an invitation to attend the Service is made to the Bishop of Warwick;

(vii) the opportunity to publicise the above events are explored in the course of planned discussions with the Editor of the Courier in the forthcoming period.

8. **OTHER MATTERS ARISING**

Members of the Town Council were asked to consider how they can encourage and arrange family exchange visits via their contacts with local organisations. In relation to the incoming visit from Heemstede during the period 19th-22nd June. the Mayor elect Councillor Knight had indicated he would be available to attend the friendship dinner on 21st June.

The meeting commenced at 5.00 pm and ended at 5.50 pm.

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CULTURAL AND COMMUNITY COMMITTEE HELD
ON 1st MAY 2014 AT THE TOWN HALL, PARADE, LEAMINGTON SPA**

Present: Councillors Ann Morrison (Chair) (substituting for Cllr Ingleby), Heather Calver, Roger Copping, Yvonne Moore, Mota Singh, and Amanda Stevens.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Judith Clarke, Sue Ingleby

Also present: Tony Bass (Leamington International Twinning Society).

51. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest at this time.

52. TOWN TWINNING MATTERS

Consideration was given to the recommendations arising from the Meeting of the Town Twinning Working Group held earlier in the day with regard to discussion relating to preparations for the visit to Leamington of representatives of Bruhl and Sceaux.

The Town Clerk indicated that further discussions were needed with Warwick District Council and possibly the Friends of Pump Room Gardens to determine an agreed location for the bench donated by Bruhl to mark the 40th Anniversary of the Twinning Agreement. It was suggested that an informal discussion with the Chairman of the Friends could be beneficial.

With regard to the events planned for the week-end of the 6th-7th September, the Food and Drink Festival had been chosen as the focal point for visitors. It had been recommended by the Working Group that consideration is given to providing all guests with a voucher to the value of £5 to be exchanged for food or drink at the Festival – this would result in a cost of approximately £325. However, it was not clear whether this suggestion was practical and it would need to be assessed after discussion with the Festival organiser.

RESOLVED

(i) that it is noted that additional stalls to promote the Town Council and Twinning activity are not required during the Food and Drink Festival over the period of 6th-7th September;

(ii) the provision of Walking tours of Leamington on the morning of Sunday 6th September are discussed with the Leamington Guild of Guides, including the option of translators being nominated by Leamington International Twinning Society;

(iii) after discussion with the Festival organiser, consideration is given to providing visiting guests from Bruhl and Sceaux with a £5 voucher to exchange for food or drink at the Festival;

(iv) an invitation is extended to the Master of the Lord Leycester Hotel to be guest speaker at the Civic Dinner at Warwick School on 6th September

(v) that a musical recital by pupils of local schools is omitted from the programme for the Civic Service on 7th September;

(vi) the option of participation by the Church Choir at the Civic service is discussed with the Parish Priest and that an invitation to attend the Service is made to the Bishop of Warwick;

(vii) the opportunity to publicise the above events are explored in the course of planned discussions between the Editor of the Courier and the Town Council over the forthcoming period.

(viii) the option for locating the donated bench at the Pump Room Gardens is explored further with the Chairman of the Pump Room Gardens and if unsuccessful, a suitable site at Jephson Gardens is identified as the second preference.

There being no other Twinning matters to be discussed, Mr Bass left the meeting.

53. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Cultural and Community Committee held on 24th March 2014 are confirmed and signed as a correct record.

54. LEAMINGTON IN BLOOM

Consideration was given to a Report (Report No. 7) regarding a recent meeting of the Leamington in Bloom Committee.

The Committee noted the reference to promoting Projects in the Community and it was suggested that the recent completion of the renovation of Christchurch Gardens should be recorded with a plaque or information board. The Town Clerk agreed to discuss this matter initially with the Friends of Christchurch Gardens.

RESOLVED

- (i) that the notes of the meeting of the Leamington in Bloom Committee held on 31st March are received;
- (ii) that the renovation of Christchurch Gardens as a joint project between the Town Council and Warwick District Council is recorded with a plaque and/or information board; and

- (iii) the proposal is initially discussed with the Friends of Christchurch Gardens.

55. BLUE PLAQUE SCHEME

The Town Clerk reported on the recent meeting of the Blue Plaque Group which had agreed the following priorities for new plaques during 2014/15:-

- 1) Leamington Society – Benjamin Satchwell

To be erected on the Tomb of Benjamin Satchwell at All Saints Church burial ground.

- 2) Leamington Town Council -William Amey VC -To be erected at his former home at 13 Willes Road

- 3) Currently being considered and under investigation were -

Henry Peach Robinson – photographer – at Parade or Frances Havergal – Hymn writer – 43 Binswood Avenue

The unveilings were to be held in September 2014.

RESOLVED that the Report is received and progress noted.

56. COMMUNITY GRANT AWARD CRITERIA

Consideration was given to a Report (Report No. 9) concerning the process for evaluation of bids to the Community Grant Fund.

RESOLVED

- (i) that in the interests of securing value for money, applicants are required to submit two estimates in support of any items exceeding £250 in value; and
- (ii) that the Report is received.

57. COMMUNITY GRANT MONITORING INFORMATION

RESOLVED that monitoring information in respect the following grants is noted:-

Older People in Action: New Year, New You - £1,000
Elderly Asian Group: Kitchen renovation - £500
New Hope Counselling: Counselling project - £1600

The meeting commenced at 6.30 pm and ended at 7.30 pm.

Further information

If you require further information about the walks please contact the Town Clerk's secretary at Leamington Town Hall on 01926 450906 during normal office hours Monday to Friday

Bespoke walks

If you wish to discuss a walk for your group on dates or at times other than those advertised, we will be pleased to speak to you about this. These bespoke walks will be subject to a small administrative charge of £2 per person with a minimum charge of £10. Please contact Margaret Rushton secretary of the Leamington History Group on 01926 424659 or Leamington Town Hall on the number given above.

Leamington History Group

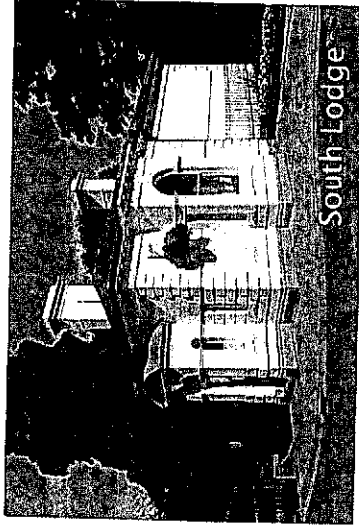
If you are interested to learn more about Leamington history, the Leamington History Group runs a series of monthly talks throughout the year.

Please take a look at our website

www.leamingtonhistory.co.uk

About the Town Walks

The programme of town walks takes place throughout the Summer months on the dates and times indicated overleaf. The walks are fully insured and are conducted by members of the Guild of Guides and run by the Leamington History Group in partnership with Leamington Town Council.



Most walks are suitable for all ages & abilities. they start from the South Lodge entrance to the Jephson Gardens opposite the Royal Pump Rooms and are on surfaced pavements and paths on mainly level ground. Each walk will last between an hour and an hour-and-a half.

No advance booking required

Just turn up and meet the guide at the advertised start time for the walk

FREE TOWN WALKS



Join one of our free
walks and discover
Leamington's history



Programme of Free Guided Walks 2014

This programme of free walks is organised by the Leamington History Group and sponsored by Royal Leamington Spa Town Council.

No advance booking is required – just meet the tour guide at the entrance to the Jephson Gardens

Further Information

If you require further information on any aspects of the Town Walks please contact the Town Clerk's office at Leamington Town Hall on 01926 450906 during office hours Monday – Friday.

JUNE				AUGUST			
Tuesday	17	June	10.30 am	Tuesday	12	August	7.00 pm
Wednesday	18	June	7.00 pm	Wednesday	13	August	2.30 pm
Tuesday	24	June	2.30 pm	Tuesday	19	August	7.00 pm
Wednesday	25	June	7.00 pm	Wednesday	20	August	2.30 pm
Sunday	29	June	10.30 am	Monday	25	August	2.30 pm
JULY				Tuesday	26	August	10.30 am
Tuesday	01	July	2.30 pm	Wednesday	27	August	7.00 pm
Wednesday	02	July	7.00 pm	SEPTEMBER			
Tuesday	08	July	7.00 pm	Tuesday	02	September	2.30 pm
Wednesday	09	July	10.30 am	Wednesday	03	September	10.30 am
Tuesday	15	July	2.30 pm	Sunday	07	September	2.30 pm
Wednesday	16	July	2.30 pm	Tuesday	09	September	2.30 pm
Tuesday	22	July	10.30 am	Wednesday	10	September	2.30 pm
Wednesday	23	July	7.00 pm	Thursday	11	September	10.30 am
Saturday	26	July	10.30 am	Sunday	14	September	2.00 pm
Tuesday	29	July	2.30 pm	Tuesday	16	September	2.30 pm
Wednesday	30	July	7.00 pm	Wednesday	17	September	2.30 pm
AUGUST				Tuesday	23	September	2.30 pm
Tuesday	05	August	2.30 pm	Wednesday	24	September	2.30 pm
Wednesday	06	August	2.30 pm				