Fair Oak and Horton Heath Parish Council

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Minutes of the Community Events Sub-committee meeting held on Monday 30 July 2018 at 7.00 pm at 2 Knowle Park Lane, Fair Oak

Committee Councillors Present: N Couldrey, Mrs H Douglas, H McGuinness & Mrs M Shephard.

Other Councillors Present: D Scott

Apologies: Cllrs Sorley & Spearey

Officers in attendance: Mrs L Greenslade, Deputy Clerk

PUBLIC SESSION

Seven members of the public were present, some representing local groups from the village. They reported that the stalls had been busy and were pleased with how the event went.

1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None received.

2 MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the Community Events Sub-committee meeting held on 12 February 2018, be noted.

3 CARNIVAL SPEND/INCOME

RESOLVED

That the spend/income, as previously circulated on Appendix 1, be noted.

4 CARNIVAL FEEDBACK

RESOLVED

That carnival feedback be noted, as previously circulated on Appendix 2

5 COLLECTION MONEY

A total of £778.45 had been collected during Carnival Day. Cllr Mrs Douglas thanked Mrs Dunne for counting all the money. This represents the second highest amount raised in the past five years.

Members discussed ideas for distributing the money. No organisations had applied to date.

RESOLVED

That an article be included in the next newsletter asking for groups to come forward with project they wished funded.

6 THE FUTURE OF THE CARNIVAL

Cllr Mrs Douglas confirmed the Parish Council was happy to continue to fund a community event next year.

Discussion ensued regarding potential changes to the format of previous years' events, including: -

- Shorten the procession route and making it a walking only parade
- Events during the week leading up to carnival day
- Displays in the arena
- Music by the Wyvern Band in the afternoon
- Two bands marching the streets of Meadowsweet Way and Crowdhill Green in the morning with marshals handing out flyers promoting Carnival day.
- Marque with local produce on the field
- Local bands playing in the evening on the field
- Shut off The Square and have local bands playing in the village centre
- Barn dance in the evening
- Danny Stupple, representing St Thomas' Church, offered a commitment of volunteers.

The above suggestions would be considered at the next Sub-Committee meeting, where formal recommendations would be submitted for consideration by the Leisure & Properties Committee in September.

RESOLVED

- a) That the Parish Council fund a community event in 2019; and
- b) That a further meeting be held on Monday 3 September 2018 at 7.00 pm, to finalise details of the format of next years' community event.

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