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16th March 2021

To Members of Culture Committee

Cllr C Armstrong (chair)	Cllr S Melton
Cllr H Briggs	Cllr S Stoddart
Cllr R Briggs	Cllr P Scott
Cllr H Harrington	Cllr W Wilkinson
Cllr J King (Mayor)	Cllr L Williams

(Copy for information only to other members of Workington Town Council)

You are summoned to a meeting of Workington Town Council Culture Committee on Tuesday 16th March 2021 at 6.30pm.

Due to the restrictions placed on meetings due to the Coronavirus crisis, the meeting will be hosted remotely through the Zoom platform and provision will also be made for the public to attend remotely. Joining instructions will be issued to committee members in due course. There will be no formal public participation at this meeting, but members of the public wishing to attend may do so by contacting the Clerk for the appropriate login details.

Yours faithfully

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Catherine Gourlay
Town Clerk

AGENDA

1. Apologies

To receive and accept any apologies. If accepted, apologies will be considered to be for reasons approved by the Council under the terms of Local Government Act 1972, s85.

2. Declarations of Interest

To receive any declarations of interest relating to matters which appear on this agenda, but which have not been previously declared on members' declarations of pecuniary interest and other interests.

3. Exclusion of Press and Public (Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960)

To consider whether there are any agenda items during consideration of which the press and public should be excluded.

4. Minutes of the Previous Meetings

To receive the minutes of the meeting on 12th January 2021 and affirm them as a true record.

5. VE/VJ Memorial Statue Update

To receive a brief update on the project to establish a VE/VJ memorial statue.

6. Events Update

To receive a brief update on any upcoming events and the status of long-term plans.

7. Christmas Tree

To consider the following...

- a. position of our donated Christmas trees in light of the upcoming location move for WTC.
- b. To consider supplying a Christmas tree for Northside Community Centre. (details at end)

8. Grant Applications

To consider the following grant application.

- a. Workington Operatic Society
£9,600.00 towards the cost of Shrek (the musical), £Total costs are (£29,000.00)
- b. Workington Heritage Group
£1,000.00 towards the cost of signage and postage for phase one of Workington Hall tours. Total Cost (£2000.00)
- c. Workington Rugby Football Club
To install solar panels at the club. Total cost of project is £23,432.43. They have confirmed funding from Robin Rigg for £15,000. They are requesting £7,500.00
- d. Workington Community Emergency Response Group
£240.00 to pay for their radio licence for a year.
- e. Moorclose Community Centre
£2,548.00 to pay for the new posts and fitting.
- f. Harrington Village Green
£costings to come
- g. South Workington Youth Partnership
Easter Family Fun Day at home. Activity packs for 100 children that will include craft materials, egg dump supplies, and an Easter Egg. Activities will then be led virtually over Whatsapp or Zoom.
Amount requested: £1000 (breakdown of costs to follow)
- h. West Cumberland Branch of the Royal Engineers Association
To improve the facilities at the Workington Veterans Club (see application for full specification). The full project will cost £7,650. The club will contribute £550 and have applied for £6,800 from the Royal Engineers Association Headquarters. They have applied for the maximum allowable under the community grant scheme, which is currently £300. They would welcome additional contributions if available.

Background

The committee has previously discussed supplying a Christmas tree for Northside Community Centre. The following costs have been estimated:

Northside Christmas Tree

Installation of external power supply	£340.00
18 ft Christmas tree	TBC
Not rooted. Annual purchase cost. Waiting for quote from National Trust.	
Base would need to be bought not hired.	£240
Can either be given to the Community Centre or on a long-term loan	
Misc. dressings	£200
Heras fencing and wood for frame Christmas lights	£1,377
To supply for	
annual hire 20-off 24v 10m static multicoloured LED strings @£18 each	£ 360.
To supply for annual hire 1-off 24v transformers @45 each	£ 45.
Annual installation & removal of 200m light strings & transformer	£972

The following options could be considered:

- Option 1: Do not assist with the supply of a Christmas tree.
- Option 2: Offer a Community Grant (£300) to assist with costs.
- Option 3: Pay for the full amount. The Christmas lighting budget is tight so to cover the costs for 2021, the money would need to be vired from another budget line. For example, using the underspend from the Festival budget. We would then need to increase the budget for 2022.