MILFORD HAVEN TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Public Events Sub-Committee held at the Town Hall, Milford Haven on Monday 24th October 2022 at 6:15pm

PRESENT

The Mayor (Councillor Miss K. F. Gray)
The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Mrs C. Stevens)

Councillors: D. Abbott Miss V. Brown

E. A. Davies DipSM FJOIFF W. D. Elliott BA QTS

Mrs B. J. Fitzgerald, Town Clerk Miss F. K. Galliford, Secretary

128. APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors C. A. Sharp and Mrs Y. G. Southwell.

129. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Councillor W. D. Elliott BA QTS declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 5 - *Visit of Santa to Milford Haven on 3rd December 2022* – through his work with the Milford Haven Sea Cadets and Royal Marines Cadets, who are heavily involved in proceedings on the day.

Councillor D. Abbott declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 5 - Visit of Santa to Milford Haven on 3^{rd} December 2022 - through his work with the Dyfed and Glamorgan Army Cadet Force, who are heavily involved in proceedings on the day.

130. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PUBLIC EVENTS SUB-COMMITTEE held on 26TH SEPTEMBER 2022

RESOLVED THAT: the Minutes of the Meeting of the Public Events Sub-Committee held on 26th September 2022 be accepted and that they be signed by the Chair as a true record.

131. MATTERS ARISING

Minute 89(a) - Citizens' Awards 2023

RECOMMENDED THAT:

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- a) the venue for the Citizens' Awards Ceremony 2023 be discussed at the next Meeting of the Public Events Sub-Committee;
- a discussion be held before the Council's Meeting to consider its precept in January regarding how vacating the Town Hall will impact upon other organisations;
- c) a further Meeting of the Public Events Sub-Committee take place imminently.

Minute 90 - Remembering Stokey Lewis VC

RECOMMENDED THAT: the portrait of Stokey Lewis VC which is to be offered to the Milford Haven Museum will have a label attached reading "In the ownership of Milford Haven Town Council".

<u>Minute 92 – Upcoming Events – (b) Remembrance Sunday</u>

RECOMMENDED THAT: 25 laminated signs be made reading "Consideration" to be put on chairs placed for people who need to be seated on Remembrance Sunday.

<u>Minute 92 – Upcoming Events – Carol Service at St. Katharine and St. Peter's</u> Church

A Member noted the request for this event to become a Civic event. The Mayor's Chaplain, Reverend Father A. Johnson, is the Priest in Charge at St. Katharine and St. Peter's Church; the Member noted, however, that future Mayors may prefer for such services to be held elsewhere, using the example of a Civic Carol Service that took place a few years ago in the Ward of Hubberston.

RECOMMENDED THAT:

- a) the Carol Service held at St. Katharine and St. Peter's Church on the last Saturday before Christmas is to be a Civic event this year, as the Mayor's Chaplain is the Priest in Charge at the Church;
- b) this is to be looked at in future years as Mayors may wish to make their own arrangements.

132. VISIT OF SANTA TO MILFORD HAVEN ON 3RD DECEMBER 2022

The budget for the Christmas event was discussed.

There is to be a large event on the same day taking place on Milford Haven Marina with fair rides for the children. The event at the Marina finishes around 3.30pm with the road closure in place for the Town Council from 3pm to 6pm.

The exact time for the light switch on and visit by Santa is to be decided.

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RECOMMENDED THAT:

- a) as there will be children's rides at the Christmas event on Milford Haven Marina, this Council does not have children's rides outside the Town Hall this year;
- b) Mr. M. Rickard from Pure West Radio is to be contacted for a detailed quote on what the company intends to present for the light switch on and visit of Santa;
- c) Councillor Miss V. Brown is to liaise with Vision Arts Wales to ascertain whether they are in a position to assist on the day;
- d) the Town Clerk is to find out how many lanterns are presently in stock and whether lights and glow sticks are to be purchased for the Lantern Parade;
- e) numbers for the Lantern Parade participants are also to be established;
- f) contact is to be made with the Torch Theatre regarding contributions to the event;
- g) contact is also to be made with the Milford Haven Round Table regarding the supply of sweets for the children and possible assistance with the setting up of the Grotto in the Town Hall;
- h) the Secretary, Ms F. K. Galliford, is to circulate a copy of a timeline used for a previous Visit of Santa to Councillors on the Public Events Sub-Committee for their information;
- i) the Council is to look at purchasing its own PA system;
- j) St. John Ambulance are to be requested to provide cover for the event, and for Remembrance Sunday on 13th November 2022;
- k) the next Meeting of the Public Events Sub-Committee be given plenary powers due to the time-critical nature of the event.

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