

# Hatherleigh Festival Committee Meeting

Committee Meeting Minutes (*draft to be approved*)

**Date and place of Meeting:** 10<sup>th</sup> January 2018, 8pm at The George.

**Committee Members Present:** Ben Bailey, Steve Carter, Alan Durrant, Meg Hanson, Josie Lloyd, Joe Picarella, Chris Sivyer, Clare Tyson, Sally Vick, Ben Whiting.

1. **Apologies for Absence**

Gemma Denham, Steve Attfield, Greg Bushell.

2. **Minutes of the previous meeting for approval**

No corrections were raised during the meeting.

3. **Matters arising from the previous minutes:**

Ben Whiting reported that there was no communication yet with Carnival Committee but that he would follow up and report on progress for the Marquee **ACTION Ben Whiting**.

4. **Officers' Standing Reports** with discussion and actions arising

a. **Chairman's report**

Steve reported that he'd created the planning documents to share online and just needed to make these live to share **ACTION Chair**. Steve has The Press and Publicity post "in hand" and would report next meeting **ACTION Chair**. Steve reported that he had updated the Distribution list to reflect current attendees although he wanted to keep some previous individuals on the list who weren't now directly involved but who were nevertheless valuable supporters and who we should keep informed. Also people had been added to our Facebook page. Finally, Steve reported that some minor suggestions had been received on our Constitution and that this would go forward for approval at our next AGM rather than calling a specific SMG to deal with minor changes.

b. **Treasurer's Report**

Nothing to report.

c. **Secretary's Report**

Nothing to report.

5. **May Fundraiser: (26<sup>th</sup> May)**

Suggestion of a simple format, disco/band at Community Centre. Negotiate 'deal' with Community Centre over bar takings (50/50?). The meeting noted creation of Sub-committee to handle this event (Chair; Josie, Ben W; Ben B). **ACTION Sub Committee** to talk to Community Centre over income from bar.

6. **Main Festival Event** (Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2018)

- a. Main Festival Theme '*Celebrating Change: 100 Years of Hatherleigh*' (actual wording to be confirmed). This will include a focus on the market given its impending change of circumstance.
- b. Lower Upcott Farm (traditional materials and rural skills): Josie reported they are willing to run a short morning or afternoon course based at their premises and at a discounted cost. The meeting thought they might put up a course as a competition prize as well? **ACTION Josie** to follow up.
- c. Sally and Marcus Vergette: **ACTION Josie** to contact Sally about (???)
- d. Rupert Stockwin (photographer), **ACTION Josie** to follow up.
- e. We have permission from Greg Vicks to have an exhibition about the market at the Old School, include paintings. (contact Beaford Archive and Hatherleigh Historical Society to see if would like to be involved) **ACTION Josie**.
- f. **ACTION Chair**, speak to Monica.
- g. **ACTION All** to email Chair if they wish to have access to Google Docs and Festival Plan
- h. War Horse puppet. We might be too late to book this but **ACTION Sally** to see if we could arrange this.
- i. Christina (?), on Market Street, will be opening her gallery during the festival period.
- j. Idea of dressing houses as they were 100 years ago. Also the possibility of getting WWI reenactors.
- k. Ben B. suggested we could project historical facades onto the houses in the square, **ACTION Ben Bailey** to follow up.

- l. Idea of having animals (geese?) driven up the streets as in days of old! **ACTION Clare T.** to follow up.
  
- m. The Locality Grant from West Devon Council might help us (£500 mentioned). Cllr James McInnes receives this grant in his role as Devon County Councillor, he's our DCC rep for the Hatherleigh and Chagford Ward.  
<http://democracy.devon.gov.uk/mgUserInfo.aspx?UID=161>  
He receives a Locality Budget Grant of £10k annually. He still owes town council £800, but looking at his webpage as of Jan 11th he still has £3k remaining – and he has till March to spend it!  
<https://new.devon.gov.uk/democracy/councillors-nav/locality-budgets/>  
**ACTION Josie.**
  
- n. Additional ideas included having thatchers, blacksmith and other rural 'crafts' either on display or running workshops.
  
- o. Steve Attfield was volunteered in his absence to be DJ.
  
- p. **ACTION Ben Bailey and Ben Whiting** suggested we could have street performers, to follow up.
  
- q. **ACTION Chair**, to talk to Christian (The George) and Ady (Tally Ho) about a better deal if we do not sell alcohol and therefore we do not compete with them. This was felt to be a better option than moving to The Island Park and selling our own alcohol. Also to discuss whether we sell just cider?
  
- r. Photography Competition: Josie suggested it might be better to support this rather than creating our own. **ACTION Josie** to coordinate with Charles Dumpleton.
  
- s. **ACTION Chair** to talk to Adam Swainson re: classical concert.
  
- t. **ACTION Chair** to talk to Holsworthy Drum Band (Samba) for Thursday.
  
- u. Covers band for Friday, Everything about Mary and/or The Embezzlers. **ACTION Josie**
  
- v. Okehampton College Big Band are a possibility (?) **ACTION (?)**
  
- w. Rogue Theatre **ACTION Ben Whiting.**

- x. **ACTION Ben Bailey** to contact Take One Media (leaflet service) to supply and place leaflets in various outlets.
- y. **ACTION Sally** to place date in 'What's On'.
- z. Ben Whiting can cut out animals 'Geese Away' but perhaps 'Devon Red' Bullocks.
- aa. Jo Pullin and Elizabeth Durrant have been discussing running an environment/nature workshop. Jo said she would follow up on funding.
- bb. Hatherleigh Art Group could put on an exhibition at Commerce House **ACTION Sally** to follow up.

7. **OUTLINE SCHEDULE** (*to be confirmed*)

Thursday	Holsworthy Samba band <b>ACTION Chair</b>
Friday 7pm	Covers band <b>ACTION Josie</b>
Sat early PM	Hummingbirds (?) <b>ACTION Josie</b>
Sat Com. Centre	Crafts Fair <b>ACTION Chair</b> to coordinate with organisers
Sat 5-6.30pm	Silver Band (?) <b>ACTION Josie</b>
Sunday AM Church Service	<b>ACTION Sally</b> with Gospel Choir <b>ACTION Josie</b>
Sunday PM	Hatherleigh Player in The Square (plus one evening) <b>ACTION Eliza</b>
Monday	Choral Society in The Methodist Hall <b>ACTION Sally</b>

All bands **ACTION Josie**.

It was suggested we can use Google docs to share the schedule **ACTION Chair**

- 8. A.O.B.  
none.

**Date of next meeting**

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2018 in The George (Function Room)

The meeting ended at 9:45pm

End