

# PREESALL TOWN COUNCIL

## Battle's Over Committee

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Battle's Over Committee held on Tuesday 13 August 2018 at 9.30am at Preesall Youth and Community Centre, Lancaster Road, Preesall**

**Present:** Cllrs P Orme (chairman), B Burn, G McCann and L Woodhouse

**In attendance:** Alison May, Clerk to the Town Council.

### 16 Apologies for absence

None

### 17 Declaration of interests and dispensations

None.

### 18 Minutes of the last meeting

Councillors approved as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 3 July 2018.

### 19 Public participation

As no members of the public were present councillors resolved to move to the next agenda item.

### 20 Progress to date

#### **Cllr McCann:**

- a. Had approached the piper to see if he would be prepared to play Sleep in Peace at 6am on 11 November – *piper not available for 6am, however Frank McQuaid has been arranged to play Flower's of the Forrest at 11.00am at a cost of approx £30.*
- b. Had contacted Fleetwood's Charity School to see if the choir could be involved at the evening event – *the school has confirmed that the children will be available from 6pm until 7pm. Details to be finalised with headmaster.*
- c. Would attend a meeting of the history group to let members know what is being proposed – *contact now made, will confirm details at next meeting.*

#### **Cllr Orme:**

- a. ~~Would approach the cornet player (Andy) as a fallback position should the piper be unavailable at 6am – Andy is not available, however another member of the band might be available – see Cllr McCann (a) above.~~
- b. Would speak with the ferry cafe to see if the owners would be interested in staying open to provide food and refreshments for the evening event – *Yes, further details to be provided – Cafe has a soup urn, WI happy to provide Bovril/vegan alternative in uniform.*
- c. ~~Would speak with Wyre Council re bolting the fire basket and pole to the slipway – see Cllr McCann (c) above.~~
- d. ~~Would look into the feasibility of releasing doves – doves roost when it goes dark, therefore they would not be suitable for the evening event. Possibility that they could be released at the cenotaph earlier in the day. Cllr Iddon had confirmed that night time would not be good to release doves.~~
- e. Would approach John Squires-Evans re playing the Last Post at 6.55pm – *initial contact made, OK in principle. Will keep trying to contact to confirm arrangements.*
- f. Would speak with SODs re poetry reading – *Anne Markland to sort.*
- g. Would contact the priest at the Catholic church re involvement and bell ringing – *confirmed that the bells work. The request has been passed on to Farther Partington.*

- h.** Would contact the golf club re bell ringing - *initial contact made, OK in principle, will keep trying to get confirmation in writing.*
- i.** To speak with Mark Butterworth regarding the possibility of having a float for the choirs to stand on and borrowing an amplifier for the event – *James and Mark OK. Deetails of lorry driver have been provided.*
- j.** To speak with Rev. Dawn and Bill Burn re the ringing of the bells and double events of church service and armistice service at 11.00am on the 11<sup>th</sup> – *bell ringing at church OK – Rev Dawn will come to the event. Cllr McCann to create an order of events for the morning.*
- k.** ~~To speak with Bill Burn re the ‘tuneless’ choir – contact not yet made.~~ *Tuneless choir have another engagement that day.*
- l.** ~~To speak with Carter’s Charity school to see if the choir would like to be involved – contact not yet made.~~
- m.** To speak with Emma Dawson (local singer) to see if she would like to be involved – *will make contact – she seems receptive to the idea, knows it’s a ‘free’ event, may have a backing group. Either songs from WW1 or a medley including WW2 – to be confirmed. Possibility of alternative singer.*
- n.** Coastguard is willing to donate a flare.
- o.** John Squires-Evans is working on a suite of relevant music and has been practising a WW1 medley – *will finalise details with him.*
- p.** to look at feasibility/cost of rain macs – *cllr burn to provide details (approx 100).*

**Cllr Woodhouse:**

- a.** Would provide contact details for the community choir – *details provided. Also contacted Kevin on choir – confirmed that willing to take part. Details confirmed.*
- b.** ~~Would check on availability of the cloggers – possibility that they will attend depending on membership of group at the time.~~
- c.** Contact Angela Greenwood at the creative writing group to see if they would like to take part – *Angela and group interested. The library has confirmed the display. They would like to read out their own work at the event. Will attend next meeting of the group to confirm arrangements.*

**Clerk:**

- a.** obtain temporary events notice – *events notice licence applied for.*
- b.** confirmed that Stalmine Council would not be holding any events on the day.
- c.** fire beacon ordered – *fire beacon delivered. Cllr Burn has offer of a gas bottle.*
- d.** check price of plaque for memorial benches.

**21 Next steps**

1. See progress to date for update from previous months and outstanding items.
2. Order of events required for church service. (Cllr McCann)
3. Order of events for evening.
4. Bugler needed for revale and last post. (Cllr Orme)

**Resolved:**

**Cllr McCann:**

To complete actions in red.

**Cllr Orme:**

To complete actions in red.

**Cllr Woodhouse:**

To finalise arrangements with creative writing group.

**Clerk:**

To obtain price of plaque for memorial benches.

**22 Date of next meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Monday 24 September at 9.30am.

There being no further business the chairman closed the meeting at 11.50am.