

## NEWENT TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Christmas Lights Committee held on Wednesday 1st November 2017, at the Market House, Newent at 7.00 pm.

Present: Cllrs Mrs K Draper (Chair), Mrs M Duncan, E Heathfield, V Vesma and E Gladwin, K Greenwold

**1. Apologies for Absence** – Cllrs Mrs J Davies, Mrs C Howley, and E Haines, R Fitzgerald

**2. Declarations of Interest** – None

**3. Approval of the Minutes** of the Christmas Lights Committee meeting held on 10 October 2017.

**Resolved:** The Minutes of the Committee meeting held on 10 October were approved. **Record of voting:** All in favour.

**4. Matters Arising**

The family of Clive Bryant have agreed to have a light in his memory.

**5. To consider stall request from an Aston Ingham Inferno Explorers member**

**Resolved:** It was agreed that no catering items would be allowed, but agreeable to “Name the Polar Bear” and anything else. **Record of voting:** Proposed Cllr Mrs Draper, Seconded Cllr Heathfield, All in favour.

**6. Update on stallholders and floats for parade and to agree any further actions.**

No Maggie’s Kitchen. No Dolphin Club. Now have a sleigh. All previous floats invited – so far only Church and Donkey plus Camels. Schools – Picklenash no parade, but Choir can attend (3.25 pm for 20 minutes or so). Salvation Army may attend but no response as yet – Edwina to follow up. No “Filthy Casuals” but Newent Orchestra Society will play. Will “Wake the World” come if no equipment? **Action by:** E Gladwin

**7. To agree timings and location for camels**

Park in Co-op. Procession from Library car park arriving at 2.00 pm to Edwina’s by just after 3.00 pm. Sheep hurdles needed. Lights Switch-on has been arranged. Parade starts from Library car park at 5.00 pm. Santa will be on his sleigh.

**8. Update on window display competition**

Karen to inform shopkeepers of “Victorian Theme” by Friday. **Action by:** Cllr Mrs Draper

## **9. Update on advertising**

A3 posters available. On social media and in New-Ad. Free parking now all day.

## **10. Budget update and to agree any further expenditure**

As well as Camel riding raffle, could have second raffle – £100.00 first prize, big chocolate Santa second prize, hamper third prize. Tickets £1.00 each.

**Resolved:** Second raffle be held. **Record of Voting:** Proposed Cllr Mrs K Draper, Seconded by Cllr Vesma, All in favour.

More raffle tickets to be bought. £1,800 left in balance. Banners to be printed.

## **11. To delegate areas of responsibility**

List updated and members agreed to their roles.

## **12. Date of next meeting**

Wednesday 16 November at 7.00 pm at Church Rooms

With no further business the meeting closed at 8.07 pm.

(The minutes were prepared by Cllr Mrs Draper)