

EASINGWOLD TOWN COUNCIL SOCIAL & EVENTS
COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
THE GALTRES CENTRE 16th DECEMBER 2024

Present: Councillors C. Barnes (Chairman), I. Buckle, F. Johnston-Banks, N. Madden, P. Nottage

In attendance: Councillors K. Butcher, C. Bilson and Mrs J. Fairbrother

Clerk: Mrs J. Bentley

1.	<p>Apologies Apologies were received from Councillors Sparrow, Whiteside and Kate Buckby and reasons for absence approved.</p>
2.	<p>Public Questions or Comments There were no members of the public present therefore no questions were asked.</p>
3.	<p>Clerk's Progress Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The flagpole repainting has been completed • The Christmas Fayre has taken place successfully • The Light Up A Life event has taken place successfully • The Fair has taken place without complaint or incident • The judges have been appointed for Easingwold in Lights
4.	<p>Flag flying policy The flag flying policy was reviewed, and it was RESOLVED that Councillor Barnes would draft the policy for agreement by email. It was AGREED that we would continue to fly the Ukrainian flag in support of the Ukrainian people's struggle.</p>
5.	<p>Action Plan The Action Plan was received. It was AGREED to add the flag flying policy to the action plan.</p>
6.	<p>Entertainment in the Market Place An update and proposal for the 2025 programme were received from Councillor Johnston-Banks. It was AGREED to buy another microphone with a broader reach.</p>
7.	<p>Bench Policy</p> <p>(i) The bench policy was reviewed and AGREED, and it was RESOLVED to put the bench policy on the website.</p> <p>(ii) An email was received from a member of the public and it AGREED to arrange a site visit with Councillor Butcher and the Clerk to determine a suitable place.</p>
8.	<p>Market</p> <p>8.1 An update was received on the Market; it was AGREED that a review would be undertaken.</p> <p>8.2 The list of potential market traders was received and noted.</p> <p>8.3 The 50 year anniversary of the market was considered and it was AGREED to celebrate the anniversary in June 2025.</p>
9.	<p>Christmas arrangements The Christmas arrangements were reviewed, and it was AGREED to contact Little Bird Market to ask them to put the cones back and clear up the rubbish in future. It was AGREED that a stage should be included in LUAL as well as additional lights. It was RESOLVED to review the Christmas lights and Councillor Nottage will create a proposal for 2025.</p>
10.	<p>Easingwold 10k and family fun day July 27th 2025</p>

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	A request was received from the organisers for a donation for the parking closures. It was AGREED to defer any decisions until the full December council meeting for the Clerk to investigate the financing of the event more fully.
11.	Friendliness Initiative No update was received; therefore this item was not considered.
12.	Digital Activities Digital impact - the google analytics report was received and noted.
13.	Summer planting The colours required for the summer planting were agreed as yellow, pink, white and blue.
14.	Twinning with a French town A suggestion was received from a member of the public and it was RESOLVED that Easingwold Town Council do not have the resources to undertake this commitment.
15.	Budget The financial position on 30 th November 2024 was noted.
16.	Date of next meeting The date of the next meeting was confirmed as 17 th March 2025.

The meeting closed at 20.38