



## Cyngor Tref Rhydaman Ammanford Town Council

**Minutes of Wellbeing, Community Engagement and Events Committee Meeting of Ammanford  
Town Council (ATC)**

**on**

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021**

**Via Virtual Media on MS Teams**

Attendees of Committee: Councillor Llio Davies (LD) (Chairperson); Mayor Julia Bell (JB); Councillor Rhys Fisher (RF); Councillor Gwenllian Harries (GH1)

Non-Committee Members: Councillor Stefan Butler (SB); Councillor Deian Harries (DH); Councillor Emyr John (EJ); Councillor Rhodri Jones (RJ);

**Minutes taken by: Clerk Duncan Morgan (DSM)**

***Councillor Llio Davies Presiding***

***Meeting commenced at 19:06***

**The public were asked to refrain from using the chat facility otherwise they would be disconnected from the meeting**

**1) Apologies and reasons for absence**

Councillor Colin Evans - Other commitments  
Deputy Mayor Gruff Harrison - Other commitments  
Councillor Geraint Jones - Other commitments

**2) Declarations of interest**

Councillor Rhys Fisher – Ammanford AFC  
Councillor Deian Harries – County Councillor & Ammanford AFC  
Councillor Emyr John – Ammanford Foodbank  
Councillor Rhodri Jones – Ammanford AFC

**3) To discuss an events programme**

**Ammanford Funfair at Recreation Ground**

Clerk reported that he had been approached by Fallon Lindsey the Fun Fair proprietor that she would be able to run this attraction with the proviso that the legislation allows she requested the following dates:-

31<sup>st</sup> August 2021 to set up.

1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> September 2021 – Fun Fair to be live/run. £500 licence fee offered

JB – Commented that there should be ceiling on costs of the rides.

DH – Suggested £1/ride

**It was proposed that the Fun Fair proprietor be allowed to bring the Fun Fair to the Ammanford Recreation Ground at the specified dates for £500 and rides capped at £1**

**Proposed – RF**

**Seconded – GH1**

**All agreed by the committee members present**

DSM – To ensure that all RAMS (Risks Assessment measures) and insurance would be produced and in place.

#### Big Day Out/ Twrch Trwyth

After discussing it was agreed that one event be run along the lines of the Twrch Trwyth and be a mini version of previous events.

The provisional date of 29/30<sup>th</sup> August be set in line with the Bank Holiday. Discussion would be entered into with Joel Stenlake to process this event and ascertain the availability of enactors/enactments.

An update would be provided in the next meeting.

#### Outdoor Cinema

Owing to success of this event in 2019 it was decided to run this event over two days with a different film on each day.

The provisional dates set were 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> September 2021 with a possible venue being the Recreation Ground.

#### Halloween

It was decided that this event would be held on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2021.

#### Remembrance Sunday

Ammanford Town Council would be supporting Remembrance Sunday, and members would be present.

#### Christmas Lights

The Clerk reported that ATC needs to undertake talks with Leyton Morgan at an early date to discuss requirements. He also suggested a themed event i.e. Victorian or similar.

RJ – Stated that Llandeilo close streets in town to run stalls and a market and requested if this could be given consideration for ATC's evening with this being themed.

RF – Suggested incorporating the Arcade and Plaza area.

Other suggestions included having lights across the square.

The Clerk added that a 'spider' type design was original to be installed across the square but was not able to be undertaken as there were insufficient anchor point due to the scaffolding in place at the former Lloyds Bank Building. He continued that this could be undertaken this year should the Lloyds Bank project be completed.

**It was agreed that the Christmas Lights events should take place on 29<sup>th</sup> November 2021.**

#### Other Events

Easter Bonnet Competition – Closing Date 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2021 @6pm

Easter Window Dressing Competition – Closing Date – 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2021 @6pm

Virtual Talent Competition – Suggested to run in July/August 2021

RJ – Suggested that members of the public were asked for their opinion.

This was agreed by the Clerk.

Opinions/suggestions by members of the public were:-

To have a Santa's Grotto at the Miners Theatre

Event Dates were close together

Costs for the stands in the events should be kept low. i.e. Stands being themed stands such as Archery, etc.

Bank Holiday may not be a good idea as people would be going away for short break.

Members of the public were prepared to pay for food.

Try to avoid Fridays as it might be difficult for parents to attend.

The Clerk then thanked the members of the public for their valued input.

**4. To further assistance from persons/organisations**

It was decided to approach volunteers to help.

Suggestions – Church, Local Organisations, Local Sports clubs. EJ suggested we start asking for volunteers to start making themselves known by asking on the Councils Facebook page etc

**5. To discuss/investigate funding from external sources**

It was suggested that local business be approached to provide sponsorship which should be events specific. EJ suggested starting to compile list of local businesses and contact details to be used to request assistance.

**6. To discuss creation of quarterly newsletter for the residents of Ammanford Town Parish**

It was agreed that this was a good idea with several forms of formats being suggested i.e.

Social Media, paper format.

Members to be proactive.

It was also suggested that the Local News Paper could be used to print good news stories.

***Meeting Closed at 20:06***

**Signed:** ..... (Chair)

**Print Name:** .....

**Date:** .....