THE NOTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EVENTS WORKING PARTY HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, SHOTTON HALL, PETERLEE ON FRIDAY 6TH AUGUST 2021 AT 10.00am

PRESENT: K HAWLEY (Chair)

Mesdames: K Liddell, S Simpson, J Black, M A Cartwright & D Howarth

Messrs: B Fishwick & T Duffy

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were offered and accepted from Councillors K Duffy, S McDonnell, R Moore and M Sanderson.

Councillor K Duffy submitted a statement, (which was read out for the meeting), asking for future meetings to be held in the evening to enable working Members to attend. The Chair noted the points made by Councillor K Duffy and the Deputy Town Clerk advised this was to be considered further at the next Council meeting.

2. <u>Notes from the last meeting held on 17th March 2020</u> were considered and agreed as a true and correct record.

3. Events Programme for 2021/2022

Members considered the list of past PTC events and what they felt the programme should be for 2022:-

• Fireworks 5 November

Following consideration of advice received from the Safety Officer and discussion it was **AGREED the fireworks event not be held this year, achieving a saving of £10,000.**

• Remembrance Day Parade

AGREED this event go ahead. and the Corporate Services Manager meet with the Vicar of St Cuthberts to confirm arrangements for the service.

• Christmas Tree Lighting

AGREED the tree lighting be held on Friday 3rd December 2021 at 6pm, with the trees being lit in unison. The public be invited to join in carol singing in Shotton Hall grounds.

• Children's Pantos

AGREED THE Pantos go ahead in January 2022 and they be held in the Pavilion.

• New Year Over 60's Party

AGREED a Summer Garden Party, afternoon tea be held in the place of this event.

• Peterlee in Bloom

The Corporate Services Manager explained this year the event had been held with entrants submitting photos of their gardens etc. It had worked well with 16 entrants. AGREED the event return to the usual format for 2022.

• Soap Box Derby

AGREED this be deferred for consideration at a future date.

• Ward Fun Days

AGREED these Fun Days be deferred for consideration at a future date.

• Peterlee Show

It was suggested that a series of Summer Events be considered rather than the Peterlee Show which carried with it a budget of £70,000.

- A weekend with food stalls, produce, artisan foods and refreshment; arts and crafts and hobbies;
- A music event, with bands and tickets for sale;
- The fair ground
- A PRIDE weekend

All of the events being held at Helford Road.

AGREED these proposals for a series of Summer Events rather than the Peterlee Show, be submitted to Council for consideration and approval.

4. <u>Teddy Bears' Picnic – Friday 20th August 2021, Woodhouse Park, Peterlee</u>

AGREED this event be cancelled, however in the future it be either an element of the Summer Fun Days or a stand alone event and this be included in the Events Programme for 2022.