

Notes of the Events Working Party held on Thursday 7th September 2023

Present at the meeting were:-

Councillors S Simpson, R Scott, K Hawley, A Stockport, M McCue & D Howarth

Lynzie Robinson & Maureen Conway – Edenhill People's Centre

PTC Officers:- Mrs L Freeman, Mrs J Hugill, Mrs L Hudson & Miss K Tweddle

Summer Fun Days & Fun and Food Events

It was reported there had been fantastic feedback from residents who attended these events. There was considerable discussion on the Fun and Food Funding stream and ideas and ways it was applied were exchanged at the meeting.

Details of future events to be held at the People's Centre/Rugby Club were:-

1 November Fun Day and Opening of the new Facility, 10 – 2pm

2nd November a Spooky Day, 10-2pm

21st December Christmas Party

Knowledge was exchanged re Fun and Food applications and events and an offer was made with possible support with volunteers from the People's Centre. Details were shared on the under 5 year old "Start for Life" Fund where details were soon to be sent out.

October Half Term Events

It was asked if alternative event(s) could be arranged as PTC were not hosting a fire works display this year and there were suggestions like a Guy Fawkes Day with a disco, glo sticks etc; perhaps a story teller type Scary/Halloween event. It was reported there were two pumpkin carving events planned by PTC and it was suggested to allow larger numbers they be held at The Pavilion. **ACTION POINT book dates in with The Pavilion.** A Halloween Best Dressed House was also being arranged.

It was reported **Emergency Services Day** was being held on Saturday 9th September 2023 at Shotton Hall and details were provided.

There were several **civic events** being arranged for the Mayor

Proms Night – sold out

Civic Church Service

Dining Extravaganza

Carol Service

Unsung Heroes in Peterlee

A **Christmas craft fair** was being arranged at the Pavilion and it was asked if the opening time could be extended . **ACTION POINT**

ACTION POINT It was asked if Santa and Mrs Claus could be there and there was discussion on where the outfits were that belonged to the Town Council.

ACTION POINT There was discussion on planning a Tree Lighting Event with stalls and mulled wine. Maybe a craft session making lanterns with battery operated tea lights.

The Dog Walking Event that the Sports Development Officer was organizing was discussed.

All were asked to consider Easter Events that might be held in 2024.