

PETERLEE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the **Events Working Party** on **Tuesday 4th February 2025** at 10.00 am in the Council Chamber, Shotton Hall, Peterlee.

Present: Councillor Ray Burnip (Chair) and Councillors K Hawley, A Laing, B Fishwick, S Simpson and R Scott, M Tough, R Moore

Also Present: Ian Hall, (Chief Officer and Town Clerk), Deborah Woodhall (Resources Manager), Laura Freeman (Events Officer), David Anderson (Locum Democratic Services Manager) and Louise Hudson (Democratic Services Assistant)

EWP.8/24 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
Apologies were noted from Councillors K. Liddell, D Howarth, S Franklin, M L Franklin, D Hawley and M. A. Cartwright.

EWP.9/24 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
No interests were declared.

EWP.10/24 **EVENTS HELD DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2024/25**
Consideration was given to a list of the events held during the previous financial year of 2023/224

RECOMMENDED: The information be noted.

EWP.11/24 **EVENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2025/26**
Discussions took place in relation to viable events that could be held during the 2025/26 financial year.

Subject to quotations and the allowance of budgetary funds, the following events would be held, as follows:-

1. **VE Day Celebrations** – Which would include donations to nursing homes and schools in Peterlee to contribute towards their own celebratory events.
2. **Summer Fun Days (Parks)** – Which would include one of the days being themed around sport and held at the Pavilion, Helford road.
3. **Garden Competition**
4. **Fireworks**
5. **Remembrance Parade**

Given the lead times required to seek quotes and potentially book the above-mentioned events.

Further consideration would be given to the Halloween and Christmas events for 2025 once the cost of the above events had been established and remaining budgets were known.

It was suggested that the Town Council work in partnership with other organisations where possible to co-ordinate effort and resources to achieve better outcomes for communities, whilst minimising duplication and clashing events.

AGREED:- That the Events Officer obtain quotes for the provision of a VE Day Celebration event and a Fireworks event for consideration at the next meeting.