

PREESALL TOWN COUNCIL Minutes of the meeting of the civic events committee held on Monday 25 July 2022 at 6.30pm in Preesall and Knott End Youth and Community Centre.

Present: Cllrs K Shepherd (chair), T Johnson, P Orme, S Rossall, K Woods.

In attendance: Alison May, clerk to the town council.

7 Apologies for absence

Cllr Drobny – absent without apology.

8 Declaration of interest and dispensations

None.

9 Minutes of the last meeting

Councillors **resolved** to approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 20 June 2022.

10 Public participation

Resolved: to move to agenda item 5 as no members of the public were present.

11 Episodes in History event

Resolved:

a. Not to proceed with this event as i) there are no suitable locations within the village to hold a full event and ii) most of those taking part prefer the living history display rather than the battle re-enactments, therefore there is no guarantee that a full-scale parade/ re-enactment would take place.

b. To propose to the council that it holds a traditional May Day festival with a Maypole, a Morris group, clog dancing, possibly a small children's fair and a picnic in the park. Cllr Orme to research the provision of a steam organ and Cllr Woods to research a mini-tractor.

c. To recommend to the council that it purchases a Maypole as part of next year's budget.

d. Councillors to meet as a working group on 8 August to put forward ideas and create a motion for full council.

e. That a dedication ceremony be held for the installation of the historical and natural wildlife plaques planned for the Prince Philip Riverside Walk. The local members of the Earl of Manchester's Company of foot to be invited to attend.

12 Christmas lights

Resolved: pending a reply from Wyre Council regarding permission to place a Christmas tree within the flower beds at Barton Square, the clerk to prepare the road closure documents to close off both Barton Square and Clarence Avenue. If permission is given to close off Barton

Square, the clerk to liaise with the bus company regarding the diversion of the buses. In addition, a metal holder for the tree to be made and installed on the plinth within Barton Square.

13 Civic Sunday

Resolved: for the clerk to circulate to councillors the list of possible invitees to Civic Sunday on 18 September. Only volunteers from the community to be be invited.

14 Date of next meeting 5 September 2022 @ 7.00pm

Items for discussion – Civic Sunday; Remembrance Sunday; Christmas and May Day event.

There being no other business the chair closed the meeting at 7.15pm.