

# PREESALL TOWN COUNCIL

## Civic Events Committee

**Minutes of the Meeting of the civic events committee held on Monday 10 June 2019 at 10.30am at Preesall and Knott End Youth and Community Centre, Lancaster Road, Preesall**

**Present:** Councillors P Orme, B Burn, K Woods and L Woodhouse

**In attendance:** Alison May, Clerk to the town council

**01(19-20) Election of Chairman for 19/20 civic year**

**Resolved:** Cllr Orme to be appointed chairman

**02(19-20) Apologies for absence**

None

**3(19-20) Declaration of interests and dispensations**

Cllr Woods reported that she is a member of the gala committee.

**4(19-20) Public participation**

No members of the public were present.

**5(19-20) Remembrance Sunday**

Councillors discussed last year's arrangements for Remembrance Sunday and the concerns raised regarding the conduct of some drivers. They also discussed the arrangements for the ceremony on 11 November at the Battle of Britain memorial.

**Resolved:** that on 10 November a full road closure would be requested for 45 mins to allow time to process to the war memorial, hold the wreath-laying ceremony at 11.00am and return to the church. There would not be any council committees on the Monday morning of 11 November to enable councillors to attend the ceremony.

**6(19-20) Christmas lights**

Councillors reviewed the arrangements for the 2019 Christmas lights.

**Resolved:** that they would be simplified as follows:

General lighting would take place (mini trees) and library at 4.00pm followed by an official tree lighting ceremony at 5.00pm, to which Pilling Band would be invited to play carols.

That there would be lights on the main Christmas trees, in the library gardens and the mini Christmas trees. Any failed 'string lights' on the shops would not be replaced.

The clerk would try to obtain permission for two trees on the end wall of the Chinese takeaway on Fordstone Avenue.

The clerk would make general enquiries as to costings.

Road closure arrangements to be discussed at the next meeting.

**7(19-20) Volunteers event**

**Resolved:** that a separate event should be held (outside the council's December meeting) to recognise the efforts of the numerous volunteers within the community. A more detailed list of volunteers to be created and potentially incorporate this with the Freeman/woman of the Township award. The item to be discussed in detail at the next meeting.

**8(19-20) Commonwealth Day 2020**

**Resolved:** to recommend to council that the event be marked by the council on 9 March. Schools should be invited to attend on the day and take part in this celebration of the Commonwealth.

**9(19-20) Memorial to the late Cllr Gordon McCann**

**Resolved:** that a recommendation be made to full council for a donation to be made of £250 towards a suitable tribute.

**10(19-20) Date of next meeting -TBC**

There being no other business, the chairman closed the meeting at 12.30.