



Featherstone Town Council

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Regenerating Supporting & Caring for our Community

6th February 2014

Dear Councillor

HERITAGE & CULTURE COMMITTEE

You are summoned to a meeting of the HERITAGE & CULTURE COMMITTEE of FEATHERSTONE TOWN COUNCIL to be held in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, OLD TOWN HALL, FEATHERSTONE on **WEDNESDAY 12th February 2014 at 6pm**

Sue Coles
TOWN CLERK

AGENDA

1. WELCOME & APOLOGIES

2. MEMBERS DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The meeting is to be opened for the public to address Members on matters relevant to the business of the committee. However residents cannot take part in the main proceedings of the meeting, this is strictly limited to Councillors.

4. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

To consider, if thought fit, a resolution under the terms of the Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960 that the press and public be excluded from any part of the meeting by reason of the confidential nature of the business being transacted.

5. MINUTES OF THE EVENTS 2014 WORKING PARTY MEETINGS:

- a) 30th January 2014

RECOMMENDATION: That the minutes of the Events 2014 Working Party meeting above and the decisions and recommendations contained therein are approved and signed by the Chairman of this Committee

Town Clerk Ms Sue Coles MILCM



6. YOUTH AMBASSADORS FOR THE TOWN

The Committee is asked to consider a recommendation to the full council for two Youth Ambassadors (1 male and 1 female), who are Featherstone Town area residents, be appointed instead of a Gala Queen in 2014. It is suggested that the appointment would be made by E-act Academy and St. Wilfreds on an annual rotation basis.

The Youth Ambassadors would represent and give a voice to the youth of the town and encourage them to become involved and have a stake in their local community. The Town Council would encourage them to attend our council meetings and working parties. It would demonstrate that the council is listening and supporting youth projects of the town. By having two they would also support each other, therefore ensuring that they were not alone at council events.

If this is agreeable to the committee it is suggested that the Town Clerk will contact the schools to explain the background and the changes and ask that they bring their timetable forward to allow their nominees to be appointed at Mayor Making.

RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL: That two Youth Ambassadors are appointed at Mayor Making. That the Town Clerk is to contact the senior schools, on an annual rotation basis, to receive their nominations.

7. TWINNING

It is suggested that Featherstone Town Council may consider Twinning with a Welsh mining town of a similar size. The Council has the power to approve any expenditure under LGA 1972 S144. Contact has been made with the NCMM for possible Welsh towns; Torfaen County Borough Council, Caerphilly County Borough Council or Rhondda Cynon Taff Borough Council which are all towns with surviving coal mining features.

A suggested constitution for a Twinning Association has been given to the Chairman.

RECOMMENDATION: Members views are requested

Closure