

ECCLESTON PARISH COUNCIL VILLAGE ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

MINUTES of the meeting held on 7 December 2017 at Ecclestone Young People's Centre, Drapers Avenue, Ecclestone.

Present Cllrs H Thomas (Chairman), L Armstrong, M Brown and V Counce.

19.17 Apologies

None received.

20.17 Disclosure of Personal/Prejudicial Interests

None declared.

21.17 Minutes of the Meeting held on 21 August 2017

Resolved: the Minutes (as circulated) be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

22.17 Review of Events

Members reviewed the Chris Bannister concert in October. Income of £642.10 (ticket sales £460.00 and bar sales £182.10) and expenses of £753.65, with remaining stock valued at £99.80 resulted in a small shortfall of £11.75 which would be covered by the Village Activities budget.

Members reviewed the Lancashire Night event in November. Income of £720.60 (ticket sales £525.00 and bar sales £195.60) and expenses of £842.81 with remaining stock valued at £31.00 resulted in a shortfall of £91.21 which would be covered by the Village Activities budget.

Items discussed included possible issues arising from staging events too closely together as it can limit the time available to advertise the second event adequately, an unauthorised banner on the Village Green which distracted from the Lancashire Night banner erected by the Council and the ability to monitor ticket sales more closely.

Members agreed future events are to be spread and ticket sales for events involving catering will be handled direct by the Committee to enable details of numbers to be monitored more effectively and dietary requirements to be catered for.

It is intended to repeat the Lancashire Night in 2018 and the performers are to be contacted.

23.17 Future Events

Initial suggestions for events were put forward for further investigation.

The Council has been contacted regarding the possibility of the Scouts staging some form of fun day on the Recreation Ground in 2018. Members were keen to encourage this.

Other suggestions included a beer festival, wine tasting evening and performers provided by the Spot On Theatre Group.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed.