

**MINUTES OF THE EVENTS COMMITTEE HELD AT
6.00PM ON THURSDAY 6th July 2023
AT THE RINGS COMMUNITY HUB**

PRESENT: Cllr Strike (Chairman), Fryer and Rutland.

IN ATTENDANCE: J McGeeney, Town Clerk; Cllrs Irwin and Watson (Ex-Officio); C Walker and R Walker (Yarm Lions).

1. **Housekeeping:** The Chairman advised those present of the emergency escape procedures. It was requested that mobile phones be switched to silent. If a call was received and had to be taken Members were politely requested to leave the room.
2. **Apologies for Absence** - None
3. **Declarations of Interest** – Cllr Watson declared an interest as the owner of Fit-it DIY, who were a sponsor of the Ingleby Barwick Fun Run.
4. **Fun Run 2023 – Update** – Chris Walker was in attendance to provide an update on the Fun Run. Entries have opened on 1st July and currently stood at 282 out of a possible 300 entrants. Further sponsors secured included:-
 - Fix it DIY
 - Tetley's
 - Wilkinson's Landscapes

It was advised that All Saints School had allowed the run to be started within School grounds which would result in entrants completing a lap of the field and discharging runners before entering the public footpaths. This would also alleviate the need for runners to use Queen Elizabeth Way.

Chris had been interviewed by BBC Radio Tees which had been broadcasted promoting the run. There would be 5 Photographers on the course throughout the Race. The ISAG meeting to finalise Safety compliance with Stockton BC was scheduled to take place on 18th July.

Sponsorship had been sought for end of race goody bags, banners, race numbers. The Town Council were invited to sponsor the Race medals at a cost of £654 plus VAT. The Town Council had previously agreed a budget of £500 for the event, but it was felt that in order to maximise funds for Yarm Lions the full cost of the medals be recommended for approval by Town Council.

Ron Hall advised Members of the work of Yarm Lions who covered Yarm, Ingleby Barwick, Stockton and Billingham serving the local communities by volunteering and running events raising money to help those less fortunate. Locally generated money was retained in the local area.

RECOMMENDED that:-

1. the full cost of the medals for the Fun Run in the sum of £654 + VAT be met from the Events Budget.

2. The Town Council recognises the work of Chris Walker and Ron Hall for the work undertaken for the Inaugural Ingleby Barwick Fun Run.

5. **Bopping Bingo 21st July 2023 - Update** The Town Clerk had designed the poster for Bopping Bingo event which would be circulated on the Ingleby Barwick Social Media boards and displayed in the Rings Community Hub, Beckfields Community Centre, Tesco, Co-Op and other local shops. Tickets would go on sale immediately, priced at £5. The cost of prizes and accessories for the event would be met from Ticket sales. The Town Clerk would create playlists and produce bingo cards, therefore there would be minimal cost to the Town Council.

6. **Summer Sports Activities – Update** – The Town Clerk gave Members an update on discussions held regarding the two free weeks of summer sports and activities for children. Week 1 had been finalised and included the following Events:-
 - Football
 - Cricket
 - Rugby
 - Netball
 - Table Tennis
 - Party Boppers
 - SEN Multi Sports
 - SEN Art Class
 - Music Bugs
 - Tots Rave
 - Enchanted Woodland Adventure

This year provision had been made for younger residents and for those Children with Special Educational Needs. The weeks would be advertised separately and priority for week 2 would be given to those who had been unsuccessful in obtaining a place during Week 2.

7. **Date of next meeting** – Thursday 14th September 2023 at 6.00pm

The meeting ended at 7.00pm.