

Stone Town Council – General Purposes Committee

Minutes of the meeting held in the Council Chamber on Tuesday 11 October, 2016

PRESENT: Councillor R Kenney in the Chair and
Councillors Mrs J Farnham, Mrs M Goodall, Mrs K Green, M Green, Mrs J Hood,
T Jackson, P Leason, Mrs E Mowatt, G Neagus, A Osgathorpe, Mrs J Piggott, and
M Williamson

Absent: Councillors Mrs C Collier, G Collier, J Davies, I Fordham and M Shaw

GP17/083 **Apologies**

Apologies were received from Councillors Mrs C Collier, G Collier, J Davies,
I Fordham and M Shaw

GP17/084 **Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations**

None received

GP17/085 **Representations from Members of the Public**

None

GP17/086 **Stone Traders Christmas Market**

This was referred from Tourism & Town Promotion Meeting, Minute Number
TTP17/006, 19th July 2016. This extra meeting has been called due to the tight time
constraints involved.

The Clerk reported that he had been asked to look for ways in which the Council
can support the traders with the Christmas Market. Legally the Council cannot
provide the marquees free of charge to the traders. However, if the Council run the
market themselves under Markets Legislation they would be free to set a zero
charge for the use of the marquees. This would cost the Council £225 for the cost
of erecting eight double and one single marquee. The organisation of the market
could be sub-contracted, provided that all of the Council's normal market
requirements are met.

RESOLVED: To arrange a Christmas Market on 7th December 2016, the detailed
organisation of which would be sub-contracted to the traders themselves. It was
noted that any costs in addition to the £225 for stall erection and £100 for a road
closure would be met by the traders direct. The Council's cost of £325 would be
met from the Tourism and Town Promotion budget.

Town Mayor