



BISHOP AUCKLAND
TOWN TEAM

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Town Team Events Sub-Group**

Thursday 10th May 2018 at 5:15pm

The Park Head County Hotel, New Coundon
Bishop Auckland

Meeting Minutes

Those present:

Alan Anderson, Clive Auld (Chair), Nigel Bryson, Gillian Campbell, Clare Davison, Maureen Davison, Claire Gibbons and David Wilson.

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Lee Brownson and Peter Heslop.

2. Minutes of the last meeting – 5th May 2018

The minutes of the previous meeting were not available.

3. Shop Local/Food Festival

There had been quite a bit of positive feedback from businesses outside the Market Place when the Food Festival was held.

- The Auckland Cupcake Company sold out on their stall and in the shop in Bondgate on the Saturday and had buoyant sales on the Sunday.
- Baby and Toddler Kingdom reported an increase in customers.
- Rio Café had increase in customers.
- Clems Fish and Chip Shop was busier than normal.
- Beverley's had good footfall on both days.
- Nip and Tuck was busier than normal.
- Chocolate Café footfall was good on Saturday.
- Emily's had a good footfall.
- Willow Burn hospice was pleased and had a good Saturday.
- Yorkshire linen – footfall was up 40% on normal Saturdays.
- Roxy Nails in the Newgate Centre reported no increase in footfall.
- The Smokehouse on Railway Street put on social media that they completely underestimated how many people would eat there and reported good sales.
- Merry Monk indicated that they had one of their best days since opening.

It was agreed that the Food Festival was a great success and that some of the businesses outside the Market Place benefited from the Town Team promotion of their businesses.

4. 40s Event – 9th June 2018

Nigel updated the group about the entertainment:

- Clive would check to see if the choir was available.
- There was a staging company in Wolsingham – Contact James Fletcher in Wolsingham: 01388 527658. Sheila at the Town Council had some contacts as well.
- Nigel would be looking to confirm as much as possible within the next week.

5. Classic Car Show

Possible food vendors for the classic car show – Sunday 15th July – would be Vintage Ice Cream: Angela Crampsy – Scoops and Smiles and the Belgium Waffle van.

6. New Car Show

Gillian had an enquiry from one dealer asking about this year's show. It was agreed that Gillian contact them after we had agreed to make the charge £450.00 this year. If we don't get 6 acceptances, we can approach other dealers.

7. Any Other Business

Gillian updated the Team on the entertainment booked so far for the 4 Kynren Saturdays in July and August being held in the Market Place.

8. Date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting would be Thursday 24th May at 5.15pm in the Park Head Hotel.

22nd May 2018