

Minutes of the meeting of the Service & Amenities Committee held in the Council Chamber, Civic Hall Square, Shildon, Co Durham on Monday 17th January 2022.

Present: Councillor D Reynolds in the Chair
Councillors K Ambrosini, J Graham, A Farlow, D Childs, M Johnson, F Langley, D Bell, R A Nicholson, D L Mather, N Hanratty, H M Hanratty, S Townsend, S Quinn and P Quinn

SA 48/21 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors J Miller and L Deakin.

SA 49/21 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

SA 50/21 Civic Hall Financial Performance

There was no Civic Hall Financial Performance report for the month of December 2021.

SA 51/21 Civic Hall Managers Report

The Civic Hall Manager presented a verbal report to Members and advised that events which took place during the festive period had been a success and Christmas day lunch had received positive feedback. Various events had already been booked for the forthcoming year.

Members were informed that due to Covid related issues the Boxing Night event was cancelled and staff shortages at the Civic Hall had resulted in the closure of the restaurant on a couple of occasions.

The wet product contract was due to end in March 2022 and renewal of the contract would be put out to tender. The Civic Hall Manager would report back to a future meeting.

Recommended that:-

- a. the report be received.
- b. the Civic Hall Manager report back to Committee on the results of the tender process.

SA 52/21 Durham County Council: Planning Applications

Recommended that no comment be made on the following application: -

- a. Proposed new dwelling on land west of Jakesh, West Auckland Road, Shildon, submitted by A Elwood – planning reference DM/21/02864/FPA

Signed
Chairman.....

SA 53/21 Durham County Council: Planning Decisions

Recommended that the decisions taken since the last meeting of the Committee be noted.

SA 54/21 Wellbeing Day

The Town Clerk informed Members that a request had been received from GMB union to consider gifting a wellbeing day (holiday) to staff for working throughout the Covid pandemic.

Members unanimously agreed to grant a one-off wellbeing day to thank all permanent staff for working during the Covid pandemic.

Recommended that an additional one-off wellbeing day be granted.

Signed
Chairman.....