

Minutes of the meeting of the Service & Amenities Committee held in the Council Chamber, Civic Hall Square, Shildon, Co Durham on Monday 14th March 2022.

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

SA 62/21 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors S Quinn, M Johnson and N Hanratty.

SA 63/21 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

SA 64/21 Civic Hall Financial Performance

Members were provided with the Civic Hall Financial Performance report for the month of February which indicated that whilst both bar and food sales were below budget, costs were also below budget resulting in a surplus for the month of £2k and an overall surplus for the year to date of £36k of which £25k was represented by Covid related grants.

Recommended that the report be received.

SA 65/21 Civic Hall Managers Report

The Civic Hall Manager presented a report to Members and advised that Park View House had passed a fire inspection to change the use from an allotment guild to multi use building. The Civic Hall was also due a fire inspection and new procedures and training package would be implemented to comply with new requirements.

The Civic Hall Manager was to arrange a working party to discuss celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Civic Hall. Details would be provided to Members in due course.

Members were informed that the Civic Hall management team had been unable to take full annual leave entitlement due to high levels of trade and the inability to fill the senior bar and catering position.

Approximately 350 eggs had now been received for the easter egg appeal and it was hoped that all primary school children would receive an egg.

The Civic Hall Manager had been approached by a local family to host a charity event at the Civic Hall to raise funds for Emily's Gift, providing support to parents and carers of young children and adults who are experiencing mental health struggles and plans for the event were currently in progress.

Recommended that:

1. the report be received.
2. a working party meeting be arranged to discuss arrangements to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the opening of the Shildon Civic Hall.

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Chairman.....

3. the Civic Hall Manager and Bar and Catering Supervisor be granted permission to carry over 10 days annual leave from leave year 2022/23, on a one off basis, and for these days to be taken by 30th September, 2022

SA 66/21 Durham County Council: Planning Applications

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

- a. Construction of 3no. store buildings including ancillary office accommodation and external works at PPG Industries, All Saints Industrial Estate, Shildon – planning reference DM/22/00456FPA
- b. Emergency gated access within the existing football ground boundary fence onto East View Terrace at Shildon AFC – planning reference DM/22/00529/FPA

SA 67/21 Durham County Council: Planning Decisions

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

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