

## WELLS CITY COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY & TOURISM FORUM HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, WELLS TOWN HALL, ON THURSDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2019 AT 6.00PM

**PRESENT:**                   **Committee Members:**  
Councillors: R Greenwell, C McKinnell, J North, D Swain (Chairman)  
**Co-opted representatives:**  
Ms T Chichester, B&B representative  
Mr G LeRoy, The Bishop's Palace  
Mr R Powell, Wells Chamber of Commerce  
Mr M Tobin, Hotels / Visit Somerset (Vice-Chairman)  
Mr A Webb, Wells Museum/Visitor Information  
Ms C Winter, Wells Civic Society

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Town Clerk: F White  
County Cllr. T Munt  
5 members of the public.  
Mendip District Council:  
Cllr. N Taylor  
S Sharpe, Neighbourhood Services

**19/01CT      APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**  
Cllrs: R MacKenzie, J Osman (Deputy Mayor), C Wride (Mayor)  
Mr D Cooper, Wells Film Centre

**19/02CT      DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**  
Cllr North declared a personal and non-prejudicial interest as member in any matter relating to Mendip District Council.

**19/03CT      MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**  
Minutes of the meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2018 were proposed, seconded approved and signed.

**19/04CT      MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**  
None wishing to speak.

**19/05CT      WELLS CHRISTMAS MARKET**  
To provide feedback to Mendip District Council.  
Cllr Taylor thanked everyone for their support; ideas were exchanged and comments noted.

**19/06CT      WELLS HERITAGE PARTNERSHIP and VISIT WELLS**  
Mr Webb presented a paper on the progress of the Wells Heritage Partnership and ideas for the future of Visit Wells; there was a short discussion about governance and how this might interface with the current Forum.

**19/07CT      FUTURE OF THE FORUM**  
Members shared their thoughts; there seemed to be general agreement that the Forum had achieved a lot. It was agreed to hold a further session to take this matter forward.

**19/08CT      2019 EVENTS** See attached list

**19/09CT ANY OTHER MATTERS**

- i. International Women's Day event: Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March, Portway Annexe.
- ii. Town Twinning event: Weekend 4-7<sup>th</sup> July, celebration of 40 years twinning with Paray le Monial.

**19/10CT DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING:** t.b.a. between 14<sup>th</sup> February and 26<sup>th</sup> March.

**PUBLIC EVENTS / ROAD CLOSURES SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE IN THE CITY OF WELLS 2019**

Notes:

- *This listing attempts to identify major events likely to cause significant additional traffic or other disruption.*
- *Notifications of any other such events will be gratefully received.*
- *These may also be days when it would not be appropriate to arrange another major event in the City.*

**2019**

Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	International Women's Day – Portway Annex
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Legal Service
<i>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May</i>	<i>Local Elections</i>
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	May Charter Fair – Market Place
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> May [prov]	Lions fun day
<i>Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May</i>	<i>Somerset Day [no events scheduled in Wells as at 8.2.19]</i>
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Classic Motor Club – Cathedral Green
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Fun Run
Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> June – 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Hilliard's Exhibition – Town Hall
Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Classic Motorcycle Club Tortoise and Hare Run
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	40 year Anniversary of Wells Twinning - events tbc
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> June	Somerset Schools Dance Festival, Cathedral Green
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Wells Theatre Festival
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> July [prov]	Wells Boules
Mid August [prov]	Rail Wells Exhibition – Town Hall
17 <sup>th</sup> August	Meet the Sikhs – Cathedral Green
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> August	Moat Boat Race
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> September	Rotary Emergency Services Day – Market Place
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	Wells Food Festival
Mid October [prov]	Wells Literary Festival
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Parade
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Wells Carnival
W/c 18 <sup>th</sup> November [prov]	Christmas Lights being put up
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> December [prov]	Reindeer Parade
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> to 21 <sup>st</sup> Dec [prov]	Christmas Market