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Meeting of the Events Committee

17th September 2025

1. To note Councillors present	Cllr Thomson (Chair), Cllr Bond, Cllr Smeeth, Cllr Robins	E/25/033
CTC staff present: Jordan Burnard (JB), Bronwen Hockerday (BH)		
Proposed to Accept	Cllr Smeeth	Seconded: Cllr Bond
2. To receive Apologies for absence with reasons	None	Unan E/25/034
3. To receive Declarations of Interest & Approve Dispersations	Cllr Smeeth – Camelford Carnival Committee & Camelford Lights	E/25/035
4. Public question time (15 minutes allowed for this)	Andy (Inspire Events) attended to discuss carnival and winter festival: kindly offered to support carnival with lights, etc. and offered to support the 2025 Winter Festival with a DJ set and laser show & countdown. Also offered to provide replacement button/plunger for light switch-on with light-up column, and offered to provide some furniture decorations for the 'Mayor's Christmas Lunch'.	E/25/036
5. To receive and approve the Minutes of:	16th July 2025	E/25/037
Proposed to Accept	Cllr Bond	Seconded: Cllr Thomson
6. Agenda items	a. To discuss and resolve on Camelford Town Council entry into Camelford Carnival JB reported no progress with Carnival float (trailer, power, etc.): Cllr Bond to speak with 'Mac Fabrication' the following day. Cllr Bond to action. JB to speak to Laura Murphy re. reason why tow bar fitting on CTC van was rejected. JB to action. JB to enquire with councillors re. participation in Camelford carnival. JB to action. JB to speak with Marney Baker re. Funeral Director entry into carnival. JB to action.	Unan E/25/038
	b. To discuss Pumpkins on Parade	E/25/039
	BH confirmed that all was very much in hand ahead of this event, although prizes need to be purchased (mayor's allowance) and judges required for best adult costume (1 st), best child costume (1 st) and best carved/decorated pumpkins (1 st , 2 nd & 3 rd). Cllr Bond and Cllr Robins to act as judges. Cllr Bond to procure prizes.	

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To note: 2025 Halloween Scarecrows to be judged by Cllr Bond and Cllr Thomson.

c. To discuss Winter Festival – JB update **E/25/040**

JB reported that his planned meeting with fairground company cancelled as they are no longer available to support on 29th November. Cllr Bond suggested approaching another company that he is aware of: **Cllr Bond to contact directly or to provide JB with contact information.**

JB expressed concern re. lack of firing site for fireworks if/when Tesco build begins, and proposed drone show if no firing site is available in future. Committee reiterated wish to expand fireworks budget for 2025: **JB to contact fireworks company re. enhancing fireworks display (additional £500 from budget).**

Andy (Inspire Events) proposed new button/plunger for light switch on (also see public question time). Cllr Smeeth proposed use of staging from Camelford Hall for new plunger/button as it would otherwise be too tall for children to reach. **Cllr Bond to speak to Camelford Hall re. staging for lights switch-on. JB to contact carnival queen a entourage to attend switch-on.**

Re. Mayor parade: Cllr Bond confirmed Camelford Hall booked and that himself and partner would be putting on a spread. JB has received confirmation of attendance from Wadebridge, Launceston, Padstow & St Austell councils/Mayors, and Cllr Bond received confirmation from Bodmin and interest from Penzance & Falmouth councils. **JB to formally approach Penzance & Falmouth mayors.**

JB confirmed 7 vendors (Spud Shack, GG's Mobile Bar, Haywood Cider, Vic's Mobile Catering (x2), Cornish Crepes & Maggie's Mobile Barista), along with Inspire Events, Bodmin Town Band, Morris Dancers, and Jumping Out Cornwall for entertainment. Launceston Voluntary First aid supporting, road closure confirmed by Cornwall Council and Mark Baker organising closure on the day.

JB seeking more street performers: Andy (Inspire Events) suggested a performing group who may be able to attend and is going to approach them and feedback to the committee in the October meeting.

Use of Conservative Club confirmed for Santa Grotto: question marks whether or not one Santa is sufficient owing to the number of children that attend and/or if two Santas would work logistically. **Topic to be revisited in October events meeting.**

To note: Cllr Thomson to attend 'Stories with Santa' on December 13th (as Santa).

d. To discuss Senior Citizens Lunch **E/25/041**

Date booked for 30th November at Camelford Hall & tickets to remain at £5 each.

Cllr Bond spoken with Steve Heard re. supply of Turkey: cost of turkey to be covered with Mayor's allowance.

Cllr Bond proposed rebranding of this event: unanimously agreed to rename event as: 'Mayor's Christmas Lunch'.

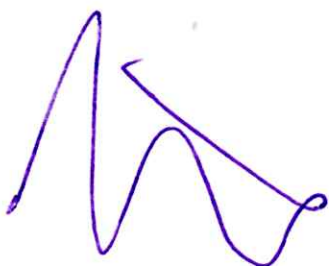
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	Cllr Bond confirmed that Tintagel Orpheus Male Voice Choir and 'The Barmaid' would be attending to perform (times tbc). Cllr Bond also confirmed he has spoken with Peggy Ellison & team who are once again happy to cook. Cllr Thomson agreed to attend as Father Christmas and give out mince pies. Cllr Bond to approach Kirsty re. mince pies. Cllr Smeeth suggested that council approaches Camelford hall re. access to new cutlery, crockery, etc. JB to speak with Camelford Hall to confirm final details.	
	e. To note upcoming budget discussions & CTC events calendar for 2026	E/25/042
	JB highlighted that the CTC budget for 2026/27 is due to be discussed in November, and that the events calendar / budget proposal will need to be agreed by the committee ahead of the main budget discussions. Committee members to consider wish list, for CTC events calendar 2026/27, ahead of October events meeting.	
7. Agenda items for next meeting (15th October)	Camelford Carnival, Pumpkins on Parade, Scarecrow Festival, Winter Festival, Mayor's Christmas Lunch, Events Calendar & Budget 2026/27	E/25/043
8. Meeting closed 19:54		E/25/044

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