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WELLINGTON FESTIVAL WORKING GROUP

Minutes of the meeting held via Zoom, on **3rd February 2021** commencing at 11:30am.

Present

Cllr A Lowe (Chairman)	Paola Armstrong
Cllr J Pierce	Cllr P Davis
	Cllr P Fairclough
Apologies: Cllr J Alvey	

- 1. Welcome and Introductory remarks.**
Cllr Lowe welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- 2. Declaration of Interest**
PA: Rohan Candappa is my relative
- 3. Apologies for absence:**
Cllr John Alvey. Apologies accepted.
- 4. To confirm the 'notes' from the last meeting 4th January 2021**
Cllr Pierce confirmed and Cllr Lowe seconded
- 5. Matters arising from those minutes**
 - PA scheduled informal discussion with Amanda Jenkins (13th Jan) to discuss the role and search for the Wellington Resident Poet.
 - PA been in touch with Liam regarding the Live Quiz – he just needs more information about what is required.
 - AL rewrote another version of the introduction to the Virtual Art Gallery, which was then circulated for comment
 - PA spoke with Marc Petty regarding writing a short piece on the History of the Wellington Festival, which was completed.
 - AL provided a brief report for the E&C Committee (at end of Jan).
 - PA sent AL details of the bucket collection amount from the festival in 2019 (Total of £1,706.45)

6. Update from Marc Petty

A discussion was had regarding who to use to film Marc doing the virtual walking literary tour film with a duration of about 20 minutes.

PD suggested we look at costings, availability and quality of output.

Also costs for Marc Petty to script.

Mural tours – possibly 3 dates. approx £30 per walk (per hour).

Literary talk – on Zoom. Will charge a flat fee of approx £75.00

ACTION: MP to have a chat with both Daniel Hutchinson and Paul Shuttleworth and to come back to us with costs for his time for the 3 areas.

ACTION: PD to send PA links to the works of the above and PA to circulate

7. Poetry Competition update

PA had received an email from Helen Donahue, suggesting that we postpone the launch of the Poetry Festival until the schools are fully operational.

It was decided that it would be best if the Poetry competition would be part of the festival and to stick to the original dates.

ACTION: PA to contact HD and SC and get them to start the Poetry Competition when they're ready

8. Summary of Events

The summary of events was discussed. The detail of the Zoom/Live events can be discussed at the next meeting as we are still unsure regarding government guidelines what will be relevant in May.

It was decided that the History Talk (Wellington History Group) would be “Wellington Station – Gateway To The Town”

ACTION: PA to confirm with Neil Clarke and to mention that the Wellington Station project is called The Wellington Ways Project

ACTION: PA to contact Julie Phillips, Diane Saxon, Anna Hill, Steve Harrison, Darren Bailey, John Clayton and Damian Breeze as a courtesy to ensure they are still available during the festival (and still wish to be involved)

JP asked that if we are financing the film, do WTC own the copyright to the film.

ACTION: AL to check with MP that the film will be owned by WTC

9. Pages for This Is Our Wellington

The draft was sent before the meeting and a closing date was agreed for the competitions as Sunday 18th April 2021. The festival pages were agreed. A discussion was had about getting extra copies of This Is Our Wellington in order to promote the festival (and deliver to Haygate Fields and to leave in the shops and cafes). AL asked PD to raise it on the agenda at E&C and if this is not possible due to timing of print run, to use money from the festival budget, since no festival brochure.

ACTION: PA to get costs for the extra printing

- 10. Rohan Candappa (PA)**
PA ran through details about the author above and his “Last Man Cave Tiny Tour”, which he had offered to do a free trial for the festival committee as a way of showing them how Zoom “events” could work.
- ACTION: PA to try and book for 8pm on Wednesday 10th February**
- 11. What events can be broadcast live?**
This was discussed, but what is allowed, won't be known until nearer the festival date.
- 12. How to reach a wider demographic**
A discussion was had and it may be that a wider demographic is reached, simply by going virtual.
- 13. Any other business**
None
- 14. Date and time of next meeting**
The date of the next meeting was confirmed to be held on Wednesday 3rd March 2021. This meeting began at 11:30am and was concluded at 12:50pm.

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