

MINUTES OF THE DE VALENCE MEETING HELD 8th May 2012

PRESENT

Councillor T Hallett Mayor
Councillor Mrs Lane
Councillor Mrs Rossiter
Councillor Mrs Brown
Councillor P Rapi
Councillor L Blackhall
Councillor M Evans
Councillor Mrs Putwain

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr A. Davies Clerk to the Council/Financial Officer
Mrs L Hensman Assistant Clerk

1. HALL HIRE – SAUNDERSFOOT FOOTLIGHTS

The Clerk outlined the request received from Saundersfoot Footlights’ director about the possibilities of using the De Valence while the Regency Hall Saundersfoot is refurbished.

Their requirements would include:

- a) Pantomime – 2 rehearsals a week (wed 7-9 and sun 2-5) Sept –Dec.

Technical Rehearsal and Dress rehearsal

Followed by a week of performances (6 shows)

- b) Main Musical -2 rehearsals a week (wed 7-9 and sun 2-5) Jan - May.

Technical Rehearsal and Dress rehearsal

Followed by a week of performances (6 shows)

Discussion continued relating to a hire package for the total period and clarification of dates to adapt flexibility around existing bookings. It was

Proposed that Councillor M Evans and the Clerk meet with Footlights’ Chairman and Performance Director to discuss the matter in more detail.

2. CAFE HIRE PROPOSAL

Proposal received for a shared basis photographic studio in the De Valence Cafe, with a suggested rental income.

Councillors considered and discussed the proposal at great length. It was

Proposed that the Clerk arranges a meeting with the business owner to request clarity on aspects within his proposal.

3 DE VALENCE BUILDING

- a) Heating – Survey carried out, however we are still waiting for the report on the heating and lighting system, the Clerk hopes to have it shortly.
- b) Trust documentation is still in progress. Once this is complete Councillors will discuss the future and grant funding with Planed.
- c) De Valence building to continue being run by the Town Council until Trust Status is established.