

Swaffham Town Council

Market Committee

Minutes of the **Market Committee** held on **Monday 30 May 2022** at **6.30pm** in the Council Chamber.

Present:

Councillors:	L Beech, S Bell, W Bensley, P Darby.
Non-Councillors:	F Eagle (Chair), D Smith.
Deputy Town Clerk:	H Carrier.
Market Superintendent:	R Ostler.
Members of the Public:	1

1. **To receive apologies for absence**
C Houghton, S Matthews, H Eagle, E Ratcliffe, L Martin.
2. **To receive declarations of interest for items included on the agenda**
There were no declarations of interest.
3. **To receive and agree the Minutes:** Market Committee 11 April 2022
The Minutes were agreed and signed.
4. **To receive and consider a report from the Deputy Town Clerk regarding Market issues with input from the Market Superintendent:**
The Deputy Clerk informed the Meeting that the Market was running smoothly. The two damaged bollards on the War Memorial had been reported to Breckland. They were going to make one of them removable again.
 - 4.1. General Market report including information regarding new regular traders and casuals
There had been four new Applications including a couple who do scented products and plain and printed clothing. The others were another with scented products, one selling curry sauce and Slimming World.
D Smith understands Brownbread have staffing issues which prevent them from starting.
The Deputy Clerk was asked to research the cost of cloth bags with the Buttercross on it
5. **To receive and consider reports from Market Trader Representatives**
 - 5.1. Saturday market: D Smith reported that the Market was going well and that they were happy. He reported that someone from Downham Market had been approaching Traders and distributing leaflets to get Traders to start at Downham. The Deputy Clerk would investigate.
 - 5.2. Auction: no report.
 - 5.3. Friday market: no report.
 - 5.4. Poultry auction: F Eagle reported that the Poultry Auction still wasn't open. P Darby said he had heard that a car boot may have started on the Racetrack. This would need to be Licenced under the Market Charter. The Deputy Clerk would discuss this with the Town Clerk.
6. **To receive a report on the plant fair 23 April 2022**
No extra stalls attended. F Eagle commented that he was disappointed the agreed £50 had not been used for social media publicity.
7. **To finalise plans for Sheep Fair to be held on 4 June 2022**
F Eagle informed the Meeting that Jordan Stone from Melsop, would be attending with 8 sheep from different breeds. The Mid Norfolk Spinners, Weavers and Dyers will be on the Buttercross. Bramblebee would be attending selling lamb burgers and fresh meat. Donations to charity will be collected in exchange for walking a sheep round a ring.

8. **To receive and consider late or urgent matters at the Chairman's discretion, *not included elsewhere on the agenda (prior notice must be given)***
F Eagle asked the meeting to consider using some of the budget to replace the banner on the A1065 and to purchase some lamp post banners. He advised contacting Regeneration at Breckland for sourcing and sizes.
9. **To agree a date for next meeting and items for a future agenda:** Monday 20 June 2022 in the council chamber at the Town Hall
The Deputy Clerk asked the Meeting to consider meeting bi-monthly. All agreed. The next Meeting would be on Monday 18 July 2022 in the Council Chamber.

The Meeting closed at 6.55.

Chairman