



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
MUSSELBURGH COMMON GOOD COMMITTEE**

**TUESDAY 4 OCTOBER 2016
REGENT ROOM, BRUNTON HALL, MUSSELBURGH**

Committee Members Present:

Councillor J McNeil, Chair
Councillor J Caldwell
Councillor J Williamson
Councillor S Currie
Councillor A Forrest
Councillor F McAllister

Council Officials Present:

Ms S Fortune, Service Manager, Business Finance
Mrs F Stewart, Clerk

Applicants Present:

Ms G Allen (Item 3a)

Apologies:

None

Declarations of Interest:

None

1. MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

a) Meeting of 17 May 2016

The minutes of the meeting on 17 May 2016 were agreed as a true record of the meeting.

2. MATTERS ARISING

Councillor Williamson enquired if there was an update on the arrangements for the Fireworks Display on 5 November. The Chair replied that a request for an update had been made to the Principal Amenity Officer but he was currently on leave. An update on the fireworks would be circulated on his return. Councillor Williamson enquired if the company contracted would be the same company which organised the Riding of the Marches firework display and the Chair confirmed that it would be the same company. Councillor Williamson stated a preference for a display lasting approximately 20 minutes, like the Riding of the Marches display, particularly as the weather could be very cold in November. Councillor Currie commented that the sound system for the Riding of the Marches firework display had been excellent. The Chair advised that he would contact the contractor next week and advise that Members would like a display to the same value as last year, lasting approximately 25 minutes. He would also enquire regarding the sound system.

3. APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

3a Application for Assistance – Musselburgh’s Marvellous Yarnbombers

The Common Good Committee considered an application from Gaynor Allen on behalf of Musselburgh’s Marvellous Yarnbombers for funds of £1000 to create and display poppies around the town to commemorate Remembrance Sunday.

Decision

The Common Good Committee unanimously agreed to grant the application.

3b Application for Assistance – Grace Notes

The Common Good Committee considered an application from Julie Durham on behalf of Grace Notes for funds of £4,300 to provide up to 6 pupils with instrumental lessons, provision of an instrument and associated accessories. This application had been deferred from the meeting on 17 May 2016 in order that further information could be obtained.

Decision

The Common Good Committee unanimously agreed to reject the application on the grounds that it did not meet the criteria for funding.

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Councillor J McNeil
Convener of Musselburgh Common Good Committee