

Forward timetable of consultation and decision making

Hinckley Area Committee 18 August 2021

Wards affected: Hinckley Wards

SUPPORT FUNDING FOR NEW PROMS IN THE PARK EVENT 2021

Report of Director (Community Services)

1. Purpose of report

1.1 To request supporting funding from Hinckley Area Committee to host new Proms in the Park event on Saturday 4 September 5:30pm to 9pm to be hosted at Hollycroft Park bandstand.

2. Recommendation

2.1 To approve the funding of £11,000 to support the delivery of the Proms in the Park event for 2021, as detailed in section 3.7

3. Background to the report

- 3.1 Request has been made by Administration to host Proms in the Park event in 2021.
- 3.2 As this is a new event additional funding will be required to host Proms, hence the financial request to the Hinckley Area Committee. This event was due to take place in 2020 however was cancelled due to Covid restrictions.
- 3.3 Council officers have held productive meetings with colleagues from Hinckley Round Table. They approached the Council wishing to raise the local profile of the Round Table by increasing their support to events. The original intention was for them to contribute towards the event via the raising of sponsorship. Due to Covid this hasn't been feasible. Should the event prove to be popular then it is hoped support funding to offset the event costs can be achieved in future years.

- 3.4 Sourcing a good quality orchestra is essential. We have been in dialogue with representatives from Bardi Wind Orchestra, based in Leicester. They are available and a booking has been made.
- 3.5 Other key stakeholders supporting this event are Friends of Hollycroft Park and Green Spaces.
- 3.6 As with all HBBC events detailed planning and management is underway to ensure the event is Covid secure and adheres to Govt guidelines.
- 3.7 The budget to host this event is considerable. £11,000 is being requested from Hinckley Area Committee. The indicative event costs are detailed below:

Hire of orchestra £5,000
Staging, lighting and sound £5,000
Staffing, promotion, etc. £1,000

4. Exemptions in accordance with the Access to Information procedure rules

4.1 The report is to be taken in open session.

5. Financial implications [DW]

- 5.1 The cost to the council is identified in 3.7.
- 5.2 The proposal would require a supplementary budget funded from the SEA reserve to be authorised by the Head of Finance and the Chief Executive.

6. Legal implications [MR]

6.1 Section 145 Local Government Act 1972 empowers the Council to provide entertainment as described or to contribute to such entertainment and that provision may include the enclosing or the setting apart of any part of a park belonging to the Council or under its control.

7. Corporate Plan implications

7.1 The contents of the report relate to and support the People, Place and Prosperity corporate priorities, and will specifically support the delivery of the following ambition: 'Support and celebrate our cultural and heritage facilities and events for the benefits of residents and businesses alike'.

8. Consultation

8.1 This report has taken account the need to work in partnership with key stakeholders who support the award winning Hollycroft Park.

9. Risk implications

9.1 The following significant risk associated with this report / decisions was identified:

Management of significant (Net Red) Risks		
Risk Description	Mitigating actions	Owner
Inclement weather resulting in the	Negotiate abortive set up	Simon
cancellation of the event due to	costs with providers	Jones
H&S concerns	-	

10. Knowing your community – equality and rural implications

10.1 As with all Council hosted events this will be a free, equitable and family orientated event. Promotion will be made to all parts of the borough.

11. Climate implications

11.1 As with all Events the Team will ensure no plastics are utilised and will minimise any provision which has a carbon omission.

12. Corporate implications

- 12.1 By submitting this report, the report author has taken the following into account:
- Community Safety implications
- Environmental implications
- Asset Management implications
- Procurement implications
- Voluntary Sector

Background papers: None

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