



Report on Community Engagement and the Rose Theatre

Prepared the Town Clerk in the absence of the Development and Theatre Director

January 2024

This is just a quick update where available in Sam's absence and will be no where near as detailed as usual.

Artisan Market

- There was no Artisan Market in January.
- I understand that it doesn't normally restart until March.

Councillor to consider restart dates for Artisan Market

- Meeting with Bescot – to be arranged

Thursday Market

- The Thursday Market is continuing to thrive

Saturday Market

- Item for future consideration

Markets General

- Meeting to be arranged with Bescot to discuss administrative arrangements for all markets and clarify working arrangements
- SLA to be drawn up with Bescott to clearly identify levels of service to be provided, administrative arrangements and costs

Theatre

- **Update on Pizza Oven** – the Pizza Oven which we secured through Government grant is not up and running yet. I have made contact with CCDC (Paul Perks) to

clarify what permission we need from CCDC as our landlord and what permissions we need in terms of development control.

We will then need to obtain a structural engineers report regarding the loading of the RSJ required for the space left by the wall.

Rose Budget 2024-25

- In her report Laurie identified two items for budget consideration – lights and head mics.
- All councillors are in receipt of the budget working papers (3 large A3 sheets), these include the Rose Theatre budget details

Pantomime

The Pantomime was a great success and dates for 2024 are 2nd to 8th December. A meeting has been arranged with Sunshine Productions for the end of this month to confirm the details for this year's panto.

Newsletter

The next edition of the newsletter is currently being written and will be circulated as soon as possible. Items to be included:-

- Press release following clear the air meetings re: fraud (probably separate sheet)
- Calendar of council meetings
- Details of council responsibilities for SCC/CCDC/RTC with contact numbers
- List of councillors and staff

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Town Clerk