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**APPROVED MINUTES OF CASTLE CARY MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE  
MEETING held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019**

**Present:** Penny Steiner (Chair), Margaret Bebbington, Philippa Biddlecombe, Stephen Biddlecombe, Justin Birch, Nick Crowley, Judi Morison, Pek Peppin, Sally Snook and Nick Weeks.

**Clerk:** Zöe Godden

There were no members of the public present at the start of the meeting.

**The meeting stated at 19:59**

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**TC31 Apologies for absence**

Apologies had been received from Hedge Burley and Bob Gilbey.

**TC32 Declarations of personal or pecuniary interest (*these must be declared BEFORE the agenda items concerned are discussed. Persons with a declared pecuniary interest must leave the meeting room when these are discussed*)**

There were no declarations of interest.

**TC33 To note the outcome of discussions between coffee morning groups and the Vintage Market organisers in relation to a proposal to change the day the Vintage Market is held from Sunday to Saturday; to consider the proposed solution and agree any action to be taken.**

The Chair referred to the various documents that had been shared with all Councillors by Judi Morison prior to the meeting. The organisers of the Vintage Market had reported that profits were down and had suggested that the Vintage Market could be held on Saturdays, rather than Sundays. The proposal was to hold the Vintage Market on the first Saturday of the months of March, April, June, July, September and October. This would clash with charity coffee mornings and there had been some resistance from the organisers of the coffee mornings. So, Judi Morison had written to community groups to see if a way forward could be agreed that accommodated both the Vintage Market and the coffee mornings. The Market Manager also wrote to coffee morning organisers. The upshot of this consultation was agreement that it would not be viable to run coffee mornings on a Sunday. Five coffee morning organisers had agreed to share their Saturday mornings with the Vintage Market. The Town Council would provide two gazebos to accommodate the tables and chairs needed for coffee morning attendees. Penny felt that the situation had now been resolved, subject to the approval of the Committee. The Market Manager would be subject to the usual cancellation fees relating to booking of the Undercroft and Cobbles. Penny also noted that the Town Council had received confirmation from SSDC that street trading licences were not required for market stalls using the Cobbles.

At the request of Judi Morison, the Committee officially acknowledged the significant input from Laura Tilling in reaching consensus between the various groups.

Judi went on to say that a meeting had been arranged with all local coffee morning groups to discuss different ways of working together.

**RESOLVED: It was proposed and unanimously agreed that, due to the significant amount of consultation with and the agreement of the coffee morning organisers, the Vintage Market was granted permission to operate on the first Saturday of the month in March, April, June, July, September and October and that these dates would be shared with coffee mornings with the agreement of the coffee morning organisers. It was further agreed that coffee mornings would continue to be asked to donate 10% of their takings to off-set the cost of use of the Undercroft.**

**The meeting ended at 20:15.**

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