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Dated this 19th May 26

To Councillors: Tony Grist, Adrian Friend, Louise Ludwig, Diana Richardson, Elinor Crockford

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the **EVENTS COMMITTEE** to take place on **Tuesday 27th May 2026 at 5.30pm – 62 The Strand, Walmer.**

Roland Aldred
Town Clerk

AGENDA

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN FOR 2026/27.
2. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN FOR 2026/27.
3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.
4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

To receive any declarations of interest from Members in respect of business to be transacted on the agenda.

Where a member has a new or registered Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (DPI) in a matter under consideration, they must disclose that they have an interest and, unless the Monitoring Officer has agreed in advance that the DPI is a 'Sensitive Interest', explain the nature of that interest at the meeting. The Member must withdraw from the meeting at the commencement of the consideration of any matter in which they have declared a DPI and must not participate in any discussion of, or vote taken on, the matter unless they have been granted a dispensation permitting them to do so. If during the consideration of any item a member becomes aware that they have a DPI in the matter, they should declare the interest immediately and, subject to any dispensations, withdraw from the meeting.

Where a member is declaring an 'Other Significant Interest' (OSI), they must also disclose the interest and explain the nature of the interest at the meeting. The Member must withdraw from the meeting at the commencement of the consideration of any matter in which they have declared an OSI and must not participate in any discussion of, or vote taken on, the matter unless they have

been granted a dispensation to do so or the meeting is one at which members of the public are permitted to speak for the purpose of making representations, answering questions, or giving evidence relating to the matter. In the latter case, the Member may only participate on the same basis as a member of the public and cannot participate in any discussion of or vote taken on, the matter and must withdraw from the meeting in accordance with the Council's procedure rules.

5. OPENNESS & TRANSPARENCY.

To remind those present of the following: -

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6. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 22nd April 2026. Attach 1

7. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA.

8. EVENTS BUDGET.

i. To receive the Events Budget 2026-27. Enc 1

9. CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL 2026.

- i. To receive an update report from officer on event planning. Attach 2
- ii. To receive DDC response to event documentation submitted. Attach 3
- iii. To receive and approve 2026 poster for distribution. Attach 4
- iv. To receive and approve 2026 event programme and webpage. Attach 5
- v. To receive and approve updated wristband design for events. Attach 6

10. BROCANTE 2026.

- i. To receive a verbal update from officer on event planning.
- ii. To receive and approve 2026 poster for distribution. Attach 7

11. FUTURE/OTHER EVENTS.

- i. To receive an update on Outdoor Gym launch event 2026.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

Wednesday 17th June 2026 @ 5.30pm.



WALMER TOWN COUNCIL

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DRAFT Minutes of the Events Committee held on Wednesday 22nd April 2026 at No. 62 The Strand, Walmer at 5.30pm.

Present: Cllr Tony Grist (Chairman), Cllr Diana Richardson, Cllr Louise Ludwig and Cllr Adrian Friend.

Officer Present: Roland Aldred – Town Clerk.

596. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Cllrs E Crockford and M Simpson offered apologies.

597. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

No interests were declared.

598. OPENNESS AND TRANSPARENCY.

The Chairman reminded those present of the terms of openness and transparency.

599. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

Members considered the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 25th March 2026.

RESOLVED – That the minutes be taken as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Proposed by Cllr Friend

Seconded by Cllr Grist

For 4 Against 0 Abstain 0

600. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA.

None.

601. EVENTS BUDGET.

i. Events budget 2026/27.

Members received a verbal update that Envisage had now been paid for the Brocante in August 2026.

NOTED

602. CHRISTMAS CAROLS & CLASSICS EVENT DECISION 2026.

i. Members received a copy of the results from the public survey conducted from 7th April 2026 to 21st April 2026. Overall Walmer Town Council received 37 responses with 25 responses from Walmer residents. The 25 responses from Walmer residents represented 0.38% of the population of Walmer, based on the November 2025 DDC electoral register.

The results of the survey were as follows:

How often have you attended the Christmas event?

Number of events previously attended	All answers	Walmer Residents
1 to 3	19	12
4 or more	15	11
Never attended	3	2

How important do you consider the WTC event at Christmas?

Importance	All answers	Walmer Residents
Very important	10	7
Nice to have	18	11
Not important	9	7

Does the event represent value for money?

Answer	All answers	Walmer Residents
Yes	21	16
No	16	9

What is your preferred format?

Format	All answers	Walmer Residents
Mix of Christmas Carols and Christmas Songs	32	21
Christmas Carols only/Celebration of birth of Jesus Christ	2	2
Other	3	2

The conclusions taken from the survey were:

- Overall, a very small number of residents responded to the survey.
- Only 7 Walmer residents indicated that they believed the event to be very important.
- None of the questions resulted in an overwhelming majority of views, other than the preferred format of any future event.

RESOLVED – Due to the low participation rate from the public consultation (0.38% of Walmer Residents) members are of the opinion that there is no clear mandate from residents to re-instate the event.

Proposed – Cllr Grist

Seconded – Cllr Ludwig

For 3 Against 0 Abstain 1

603. CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL 2026

Members received a verbal update from the officer on the progress of the Children's Festival event planning.

The additional face painter has agreed to attend at a cost of £225.

A local food vendor has indicated interest in attending.

Deal Radio have indicated that their trailer is available for the event to act as both PA and a broadcast centre for the event.

RESOLVED – Members agreed that the trailer would be very welcome at the event, particularly for the use of the PA system. Members asked the officer to liaise with Deal Radio to agree how best to use the options offered by use of the trailer, alongside the volunteer DJ also attending.

Proposed – Cllr Richardson

Seconded – Cllr Friend

For 4 Against 0 Abstain 0

Dover District Council have confirmed the costs for the additional waste bins are £15.95 more than originally presented.

NOTED – bins have been agreed previously as a requirement.

The event management plan and all supporting documentation has been submitted to DDC.

604. BROCANTE 2026.

Members received a verbal update on the Brocante.

Walmer Town Council has sold 119 of 140 of the standard pitches and 2 of the 4 charity pitches.

Members asked officers to keep an eye on the sales with a view to potentially increasing the number of pitches if space permits.

We are awaiting a response from DDC on the plans to repair the sink holes, this may need to be taken into account when planning where pitches will be sited.

Waste bins have also increased in cost for this event (see 603 above).

NOTED – The report was noted.

605. FUTURE/OTHER EVENTS.

i. Outdoor Gym Launch

The Clerk gave a verbal update that all formalities and paperwork for the installation of the Outdoor Gym are now complete, and we are now waiting for an installation timeline from KOMPAN. Members discussed ideas for a suitable launch event, including music and taster sessions on the day plus further post event support sessions.

This Item will be brought back to the next meeting, for further discussion and clarification of what the proposed launch event will include.

RESOLVED – To allocate the £3,000 set aside for a new event for the launch event of the Outdoor Gym. To also delegate to officers an amount of up to £500 of this agreed budget, to spend on initial set up costs of launch event.

Proposed – Cllr Friend

Seconded – Cllr Ludwig

For 4 Against 0 Abstain 0

ii. Additional Brocante Event

Cllr Grist reported that he had been contacted regarding the idea of a second Brocante event. The idea had previously already been reviewed and due to bookings on the green there are limited options as to when another event could take place. The day is a long day for staff and a lot of work; and staff already work one of the two bank holidays during the summer period. Members did not move forward with the option of a second Brocante.

606. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting is Wednesday 27th May 2026 at 5.30pm.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 18.10pm.

Signed

Date



Item: Children's Festival 2026
 Date: 19th May 2026
 Meeting: Events Meeting 27th May 2026
 From: Lynne Simmons

1. Activities and Bookings for 2026

Paid for Activity	2025 Cost	2026 Budget	2026 Actual	Update
Applause Rural Touring	£650	£750	£950	Booked: Caspian's Storm The Butterfly House
Wheel2Wheel	£800	£750	£750	Booked and deposit paid.
Junk Orchestra	£895	£920	£926	Booked
Circus Sensible	£420	£430	£430	Booked
<i>Look & Design By Jasmine</i>	<i>£225</i>	<i>£250</i>	<i>225</i>	<i>Booked – 2nd face painter</i>
Bizzie Lizzie's Face Painting	£225	£250	£225	Booked
Rich Rhythms		£500 provision	£295	Booked

We have been asked if there is any possibility of providing a windbreaker for the set of Caspian's Storm.
Members to discuss request received to see if we can help.

The artists from both Caspian's Storm and The Butterfly House will need an indoor space for changing as in previous years. The officer understands that Jim Stokes from the Sailing Club has offered the Sailing Club as an indoor space should we need it.

Members to agree that we should approach The Sailing Club to see if they can help with this for 2026.

2. Volunteer Organisations Approached for 2026

The updates since the previous report presented in March 26 are presented in italics below.

Organisation/ Activity	Update
Kent Kite Flyers	Confirmed
RNLI Walmer	Confirmed
Walmer Castle	Confirmed
Kent Fire & Rescue	Formal request completed online. Request confirmed as passed to Events team to assess resources available.
DAPA	Confirmed
Carnival Court	Confirmed
DJ (David Hawkes)	Confirmed
Goodwin Sands Trust	Will not be attending – they felt that the Trust’s offering in 2025 wasn’t really a good fit. Have offered an open invite if position changes closer to the event.
Deal Pirates	Confirmed
Deal HM Coastguard	<i>Confirmed</i>
Kent Police (Cadets & Sophie Bramble)	Sophie has confirmed she would like to attend. Mark Ball has also confirmed attendance. <i>Cadets now confirmed with Carl Betts new leader.</i>
Deal First Responders	Confirmed
Community Roots Van	Confirmed
Family Hub	Confirmed
Deal Radio	Confirmed
Deal & Betteshanger Rugby Club	Emailed 10/2/26 -Matt Lane. Followed up 5/3/26. <i>No response received to emails.</i>
Cinque Ports FC	<i>Confirmed interest in event – discussing the detail with Vice-Chairman Carl Williams. Provisional plan is to bring mini-goals, cones, and footballs to encourage children to participate. They will also deliver some drills from current mini-kicker children to give an idea of what they offer during sessions.</i>
Invicta Martial Arts	Emailed 9/2/26. Followed up 5/3/26. Confirmed interest in event – discussing the details. <i>No further contact as yet – will continue to follow up.</i>
Victoria Barnes Cricket Club	Emailed 9/2/26 – no coaches or players available due to summer season.
Downs Sailing Club	Confirmed. Will set up a stall, dinghy for children to sit in and activities eg knot tying. Will also advertise the NSSA 2026 regatta at the festival which is taking place just 2 weeks later.

3. Catering Vendors

The following vendors are all now confirmed for attendance:

Rich Aroma 21
KC's Confectionary
Tonibell
Godmersham Grills
Holy Dough

Invoices have been issued and required documentation is in the process of being collated.

4. Resources

There is a balance remaining of £77 from the budget set aside for the purchase of resources required for the Children's Festival. It is recommended that a replacement pack of Acrylic pens at a cost of £29.99 (+ £4.99 p&p) for 72 pens should be purchased from Amazon to replace pens from 2024 and 2025 which no longer work, or have run out.

Members to decide if they wish to purchase replacement acrylic pens at a total cost of £34.98 plus VAT.

5. Radios

In 2025 6 of the old walkie talkies were replaced at a cost of £189.99 plus VAT.

This left 6 old radios remaining, 3 of which are no longer usable as the batteries have died and will no longer re-charge. As it is very likely the remaining 3 will not last much longer, a quote has been obtained from the company who supplied us with the radios in 2025 (Radio Solutions).

The following is the cost for a further 6 radios which will enable us to have a full working set of 12 radios in time for all events in 2026. The cost of the replacement radios can be met from the Events General Budget of £450.00 (not yet spent).

Members to decide if they wish to purchase an additional 6 radios at a cost of £186.66 plus VAT.

Motorola Walkie Talkie XT185 - Six Pack

★★★★★ 4 reviews

In stock Expert Advice

✓ 12 Months Manufacturers Warranty

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What you get

- ✓ x6 XT185 Radios
- ✓ x6 Earbuds with PTT (00174)
- ✓ x6 Belt Clips
- ✓ x6 Removable Rechargeable Li-Ion Batteries
- ✓ x6 Charger Pods
- ✓ x3 Y Shaped Twin Micro USB Charger UK Plug
- ✓ 12 Months warranty
- ✓ Perfect for schools and the education sector
- ✓ Compatible with Motorola XT180 Radios
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- ✓ Read Reviews & Case Studies

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Excl. Vat Incl. Vat
£186.66 £223.99

28% Off - Save a total of £85.00 (Incl. Vat)

Free Next working day shipping
order by 3pm

QTY - 1 +

ADD TO BASKET

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6. Banners

We have 3 banners for display around Walmer to advertise the event, 1 large banner (3m wide x 1m depth) and 2 smaller (1.5m wide x 0.6m depth). The large banner is usually set up outside the RNLI Lifeboat station by the RNLI team.

The two smaller banners require some consideration as to where they can be displayed to ensure we do not fall foul of the Advertising Regulations as notified by DDC.

Members to discuss and agree where the two banners should be sited.

Admin - Walmer Town Council

From: DDC Events <Events@DOVER.GOV.UK>
Sent: 13 May 2026 11:30
To: Admin - Walmer Town Council
Subject: YOUR EVENT HAS BEEN REVIEWED BY ESAG - The Children's Festival (4 July 2026)

Dear Lynne

The events safety advisory group have reviewed your event documentation and based on the information submitted in relation to this event there are no comments to put forward:

Please note that all Trade Waste needs to be removed by a registered Trade Waste Contractor. Organisers need to make arrangements for the removal of all other waste.
 If further information is required, please contact 01304 872428. Dover District Council is not responsible for arranging for the waste disposal at events.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me on events@dover.gov.uk.

Kind regards.

Sandra

On Behalf of the Events Safety Advisory Group



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Walmer Town Council

ATTACH 4



Children's Festival 2026

Applause Rural Touring

Presents
Caspian's Storm &
The Butterfly House

Wheel 2 Wheel

Stunt Bike Shows

Circus Sensible

Circus Skills Workshops

Face Painting



Kent Kite Flyers



Make Music with
The Junk Orchestra

Rich Rhythms

West African Drumming
Workshops

FREE Family Event

Saturday 4th July 2026

12pm - 4pm

Walmer Green

PLUS games,
crafts, activities,
music and lots more!

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CASPIAN'S STORM

Come and meet Caspian The Talking Crab

In the backwoods of a town called Crabblon lives a little crab. Although SMALL in stature, he has a BIG curiosity and loves watching the humans who live near the shore.

But, over time, he becomes worried about the impact they are having on his watery home. One stormy night, a strange magic surges through sea and town, connecting both worlds and transforming Caspian into a GIANT TALKING CRAB!

Packed with puppetry, music, and plenty of laughs, Caspian's Storm is a fast-paced, interactive show for the young and young at heart! Through his wild adventure, Caspian inspires the town of Crabblon to grow closer to nature and appreciates the world around them.

Join LASHBOARDS for Caspian's Storm, a family-friendly adventure in the seaside town of Crabblon!

WALMER
CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL
Saturday 4th July 2026
This FREE family event will take place on Walmer Green 12pm - 4pm.

The festival is going to be more exciting than ever this year, with a fantastic line up of shows, activities, music, games, sports, crafts and lots of fun for all to enjoy.

DADA
DIVERSITY AND DISABILITY ALLIANCE

Lifeboats

DR DEAL RADIO

Kent Police

English Heritage
WALMER CASTLE & GARDENS

DOVER DISTRICT COUNCIL

CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL 2026 EVENT PROGRAMME

Saturday 4th July 2026: 12pm - 4pm Walmer Green

12pm to 4pm drop-in crafts, activities, music, sports and games with our local festival partners
PLUS KENT KITE FLYERS, FACE PAINTING, JUNK ORCHESTRA, and more!

Performances and shows from 12.30pm and throughout the afternoon:

WHEEL 2 WHEEL DISPLAYS
12.30pm and 2.30pm

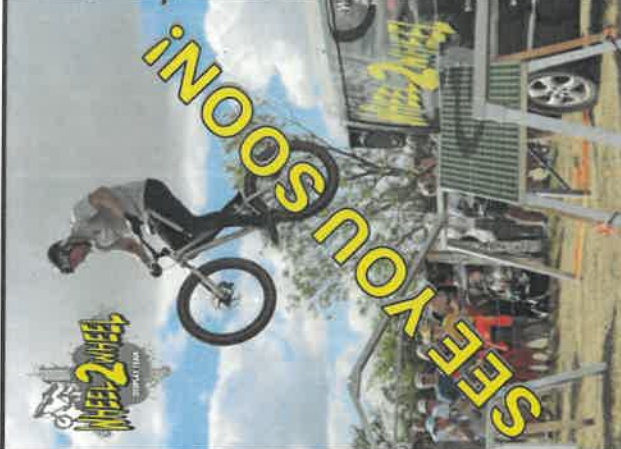
DEAN ACADEMY OF PERFORMING ARTS
1.10pm

THE BUTTERFLY HOUSE
1.15pm, 2.15pm, 3.30pm

CASPIAN'S STORM
1.45pm and 3.00pm

WHEEL 2 WHEEL

SEE YOU SOON!



RICH RHYTHMS...
...takes some beating!

Rich Rhythms are bringing the magic of rhythm to Walmer Green this year with their West African Drumming workshops. Come and join the fun!

www.dch-rhythms.co.uk



JUNK ORCHESTRA

The Junk Orchestra team are back doing what they do best - making music out of junk items! Come and visit their unique and innovative sound garden and make some music, too.

<https://thelunkorchestra.co.uk/offer-festivals-2/>



WALMER
TWO Fabulous Face Painters for 2026!

★ ★ ★ ★
Like a Jamina are ready to create a Jamina wonderful design for everyone!

Look & Design by Jamina Foster



Kent Kite Flyers

The sight of the Kent Kite Flyers colourful kites flying above the Walmer seafront on a breezy day is not to be missed.

Come along, see the spectacle for yourself and join in with the kite-flying fun.

<https://www.kentkiteflyers.com/>



Circus Sensible

Circus Sensible are back in town with their usual mix of juggling, plate spinning, fun wheels and lots more for everyone to try.

Time for some fun and games at the Circus!

<https://www.circussensible.co.uk/>



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The Butterfly House is fluttering all the way to Walmer Green this summer!

Gather round and be enchanted by a stunning collection of handcrafted puppets. Follow the magical transformation from caterpillar to butterfly, discover a kaleidoscope of colourful species, and take a moment to reflect on how we can join together to protect their fragile homes and reconnect with the natural world.

Join HandMade Theatre for an enchanting show featuring handcrafted butterflies, live music and a clever tech twist. Butterfly House is a joyous celebration of nature and transformation, perfect for audiences of all ages!




SEC Print Draft Wristband Design Proposal



Wristband Dimensions

Bleed area: 169mm x 27.1mm

Trim Area: 165mm x 23.1mm

Safe Area: 161mm x 19.1mm



**Bank Holiday Monday
31st August 2026**



BROCANTE

ANTIQUES, COLLECTABLES & CRAFT FAIR




The Canterbury Auction Galleries
FINE ART AUCTIONEERS SINCE 1911
10am to 2pm At The Bandstand



**BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY 31 AUGUST 2026
8AM - 4PM WALMER GREEN**

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