

PEOPLE & COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER 2019

AUTUMN EVENT – BABA YAGA PERFORMANCE, BOROUGH THEATRE

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To approve support for Abergavenny Year 6 schoolchildren to attend the Baba Yaga performance in the Borough Theatre.

2. BACKGROUND

2.1 The Town Council organises usually four free events throughout the year. To date in 2019, the Council has organised a Community Choir Concert, Fun Day and a Borough Band Concert will take place on 8th September. These three events will commit the annual budget of £1200.

2.2 Councillors have expressed a preference for a fourth event and for this to be suitable for children.

3. PROPOSAL

3.1 Following on from the success of the Council funded Hummudruz performance in April 2018 which targeted Years 5 & 6, discussions have taken place with the Borough Theatre Manager regarding a similar arrangement for an upcoming show. The ethos behind the event in 2018 is that it would be the start of a yearly event so that all primary school children would have the opportunity to attend a good quality performance

3.2 It is proposed that Year 6 are invited to attend the matinee performance of the play Baba Yaga in the Borough Theatre on 6th November. It is estimated that there would be 150 pupils if Ysgol Gymraeg Y Fenni is included and tickets are retailing at £6 for school children, totalling £900

3.3 However, in discussions with the Theatre Manager a sum of £500 towards seats for the Abergavenny schools would be acceptable. This sum could be vired from the £500 Other Events budget.

3.4 More detail of the show can be found [here](#)

4.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 To agree that the Baba Yaga production is the fourth event then

4.2 To agree that Ysgol Gymraeg Y Fenni is included in this offer

4.3 To agree to vire £500 from Other Events budget.