

**FULL COUNCIL**

**Date: 27 September 2022**

**Title: Halloween Competition 2022**

**Purpose of Report**

For members to consider holding a Halloween competition for October 2022.

**Recommendation:**

Members resolve to delegate authority to officers to organise a Halloween competition for 2022 in a similar manner to that run in 2020 and detailed in the report for Full Council September 2022.

**Background:**

1. Ilminster Town Council held a Halloween competition in October 2020. Officers were delegated authority to organise.
2. In 2020 residents were asked to display on 30<sup>th</sup> October and take a photo, choose a category, enter the photo for the category for best pumpkin, best dressed house, best children's costume.
3. Officers organised entries and sent the entries to the 2 volunteered councillors to judge.
4. Officers notified the winners around 4<sup>th</sup> November; and arranged a mutual date to receive their prizes presented via the Mayor. Prizes were given £10 voucher x 2 and a tub of sweets. Total Value of £30.00

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5. Members are being asked to agree on the holding of a Halloween Competition and for Officers to be delegated to organise the event in the same manner as in 2020.
6. Members will need to agree two members of the council body to act as judges.
7. Members to agree that the prizes and amounts for each category. It is suggested that these be the same as in 2020. This can be funded from the Community engagement budget for a maximum of £30-00.

8. Members to agree the following rules:

Category: Best Pumpkin, Best Childs Costume, Best Decorated House.

Entry: Entry forms can be obtained from our website or via email and returned to the Council offices. Entry is via photo to be received by 17:00 Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2022.

Winners: Winners to be announced by Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2022. Ilminster Town Council will award a 1<sup>st</sup> prize for Best Pumpkin, a 1<sup>st</sup> prize for Best Children's Costume and a 1<sup>st</sup> prize for Best Dressed House.

These will be presented by the Mayor in the Market House arranged on a date yet to be agreed.

**Allison Brown  
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September 2022**