

Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee, St Ives Town Council, held in the Committee Room, The Guildhall, St Ives on Thursday 29 November 2018 at 7.00pm

PRESENT

Chairman –
Vice-Chairman –

COUNCILLORS

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| Henry R | Mitchell A | Andrewes T |
| S Tanner | Symons J | Kilmurry-Arthur K |
| Tulley R | Messenger K | |

OFFICERS

Town Clerk Facilities Manager

F&GP.125 ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

Councillors S Tanner and Tulley were voted as chair and vice-chair respectively for the meeting.

F&GP.126 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – were received from Councillors Garrod H, Williams T, Nicholls C, Harris T, Glanville R.

F&GP. 127 PUBLIC SPEAKING

None.

F&GP.128 MINUTES

RESOLVED – that the Chairman signs as a true and correct record the Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting held on 27 September 2018.

F&GP.129 CHAIRMAN’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

F&GP.130 DECLARATIONS OF COUNCILLOR AND OFFICER INTERESTS

None.

F&GP.131 COMMITTEE BUDGET AND FINANCE REPORT

Referring to the previously-circulated report, the Clerk asked Members to note that the Planning Committee had recommended an amount be allocated for officer time to carry out the review of the Neighbourhood Development Plan. Members noted that the proposed allocations for the travel budget, and for councillor expenses, appeared to be more than required. The Clerk noted that all committee budgets will be brought to the next meeting of this committee when the precept will also be set.

RESOLVED – that the committee budget be recommended to Council with the following amendments;

£2,000 be allocated for officer time to carry out the Neighbourhood Development Plan review

£200 be allocated for travel expenses

£100 be allocated for councillor expenses claims

F&GP.132 GRANTS

The committee considered the four applications for grants it had received. Councillors Symons and S Tanner left the meeting during consideration of the grant request from St Ives in December. Councillor Tulley took the chair for that item.

F&GP.133 RESOLVED – that

£1,000 be awarded to the National Coastwatch Institution for the purchase of windscreen wipers

£500 be awarded to St Ives in December for festive gifts for young people

£500 be awarded to Lelant and Carbis Bay Short Bowls Club towards the purchase of a bowling mat

£300 be awarded to St Ives Community Orchard and Nature Reserve Group for the planting of fruit trees.

F&GP.134 CONSULTATION TIMETABLE – SERVICE REORGANISATION TO CREATE THE NEW LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SERVICE

Members noted the timetable. Councillor Andrewes pointed out adjustment that had been made to the timetable since its printing, about which councillors have already been informed.

F&GP.134 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED – that

“ in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meeting) Act 1960 (as extended by s.100 of the Local Government Act 1972), the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following matters on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 by virtue of the paragraph specified against the item.”

F&GP.135 DEBTORS AND CREDITORS (Paragraph 3)

The Clerk brought to Members' attention changes to the published report *viz.* £2,800 made in payments by the council, and a notional £10,000 of debts from weddings for which invoices have yet to be made.

RESOLVED – that the Debtors and Creditors report be noted.