

FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

17th September 2019 at 8.05pm

Minutes

(Please note that all Councillors are now members of the Finance & General Purposes Committee.)

1. APOLOGIES

CLLRS BURROWS, FOX & MCCALLION

PRESENT: CLLRS COAKLEY, GOLD, LONG, RAPHAEL, TAGG (CHAIR), TOLMAN & WATSON

OFFICER: CLERK & OPERATIONS MANAGER

2. MINUTES

It was proposed by Cllr Tolman seconded by Cllr Watson and agreed unanimously to receive the minutes of the 23rd July 2019.

3. MATTERS ARISING

None.

4. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

To receive any disclosure(s) of interest by a Councillor or an officer in matters to be considered at this meeting, in accordance with provisions of Sections 94 or 117 of the Local Government Act 1972 or the National Code of Local Government Conduct.

None.

5. FINANCE

a) Approval of payments

None – Completed in the earlier meeting of Outside Services.

b) Budget Monitoring

The Clerk took the committee through the current spending and level of reserves. **Noted.**

6. FOR DECISION – To receive any completed Statement of Works (SOWs) for consideration as part of the overall budget setting process.

Cllr Watson had completed a SOW(s) regarding a replacement of the Berlingo Van. The proposal being to reduce the environmental

impact of the Council vehicles, by moving to an electric alternative.

Resolved. It was proposed by Cllr Long seconded by Cllr Watson and agreed that a provision of £2,000 is put in the precept with the purpose to build up a vehicle replacement fund in the future.

7. **FOR DECISION - To receive any updates from the Murals sub-committee, led by Cllr Burrows, and to receive an update from Cllr Tagg regarding the pasty mural.**

No updates from Cllr Burrows.

Cllr Tagg had circulated prior to the meeting details on the pasty mural project and process to date with the grant process. He went to reiterate the need for help with this project by Councillors and listed the jobs/support required. It is hoped that the results from our bid would be announced by Christmas.

8. **FOR DECISION - To discuss any issues relating to the Environmental Sub Committee.**

None.

9. **FOR DECISION – To receive the revised Financial Regulations.**

Prior to the meeting the Chair had circulated a revised set of Financial Regulations, based on the models provided by CALC.

Resolved. It was proposed by Cllr Long seconded by Cllr Coakley and agreed to recommend approval of the revised Financial Regulations to Full Council.

10. **FOR DECISION – Cllr Tagg to give an update on the portable CCTV and have approval for the equipment to be located where deemed necessary.**

Staff had given a presentation on the new equipment during the earlier Outside Services meeting. **Noted.**

11. **FOR DECISION – To consider a grant application from the Callington Arts & Produce Show (£300).**

Resolved. It was proposed by Cllr Gold seconded by Cllr Tolman and agreed that a grant to the value of the Hall Hire (Main Hall & Kitchen) be granted for the 2019 show.

12. **ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS**

None

It was proposed by Cllr Long seconded by Cllr Coakley and agreed to move into a Part II Session.

13. **PART TWO**

FOR DECISION – To discuss the Newsletter and advice given from CALC on how it may evolve working with other organisations.

A lengthy discussion then followed on how the Newsletter should work, how it could evolve, its distribution and various other factors.

Cllr Watson agreed to project lead a review of the newsletter in collaboration with the Assistant Town Clerk.

Resolved. It was proposed by Cllr Tagg seconded by Cllr Coakley and agreed unanimously to follow advice from CALC, and to NOT proceed with the proposal put to the Council from another organisation.

Resolved. It was proposed by Cllr Long seconded by Cllr Gold and agreed unanimously that the budget for the newsletter be increased from £6,750 to £10,000.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 8.54pm.