



Wadebridge Town Council

Minutes of Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting held on Monday 13 September 2021 at 7.00pm in the Conference Room, Wadebridge Town Hall

Present: Cllrs; H Cooper-Waite, J Leach, L Mitchell, P Mitchell (Chair) A Pennington & I Welch.
Absent: None
In Attendance: Anne Minnis (Town Clerk)
Public Present: 1 member of the public.

Housekeeping – The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and advised the following:

- That the meeting may be filmed or recorded by members of the public.
- That Wadebridge Town Council is recording the meeting.
Members and members of the public to turn mobile phones to silent

Fin 252/21 **To receive and approve apologies for absence – None.**

Fin 253/21 **To receive Declarations of Interest.**

a) Pecuniary Interests - None

b) Non-Registerable Interests – Cllr Pennington declared an interest in Agenda item 10a.

c) Dispensations – None.

Fin 254/21 **Minutes of last meeting**– The Minutes of the meeting held on 21 June 2021 were **RESOLVED** to be a true record.

Fin 255/21 **Correspondence received – Wolves & Wolf Cubs Tour**

It was **RESOLVED** that the proposal to use the grant awarded as proposed in correspondence is agreed. Members thanked the group for contacting and updating the Committee.

Fin 256/21 **Public Participation**

A member of the public spoke in support of the grant application for Wadebridge Country Market.

Fin 257/21 **Grant Applications**

- **Wadebridge Town Band** – It was **RESOLVED** to award a grant of £500. This £500 grant is awarded to cover the request for the cost of a gazebo of £170 with the balance of £330 towards the cost of the weekly room hire. This award is made in accordance with the Council's grant policy.

Fin 258/21 **Finance**

a) Budget monitoring figures to 31 August 2021

The figures were reviewed, and members **RESOLVED** to accept the budget monitoring figures as presented.

b) Bank Reconciliation to 31 August 2021

The figures were reviewed, and members **RESOLVED** to accept the bank reconciliation figures as presented. Members commented on the effective financial management throughout COVID.

Fin 259/21

Precept 2022/23

Members highlighted Public Toilets and agreed to further discuss precept items at the next meeting.

Fin 260/21

Grant Distribution Policy & Application Form

Members reviewed and discussed the updated grant distribution policy and application form, suggested further amendments and **agreed** that the amended documents are brought back to the next Finance & General Purposes meeting to consider.

Fin 261/21

Confidential matters: *It was **RESOLVED** to suspend Standing Order 1.c., so that the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business because of the confidential personnel nature of the business to be transacted - Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.*

Cllr Pennington left the meeting 7.31pm

a. Tennis Club Lease

Members **RESOLVED** to accept the revised quote for market rent of £2,200 as per the Valuation Report and for this to be the charge levied to the Tennis Club and included in the new lease as the base rental amount, subject to revaluation, as per the terms of the lease.

Cllr Pennington returned to the meeting 7.41pm

b. Water Meters & Supply (Egloshayle Playing Field)

The Clerk updated Members on the provision of water meters for each building to enable those occupying the building to be responsible for these meters and manage any related water bills. The Clerk gave an indication of the costs to be met by the Council. Members debated the issue with quotes to be taken to next Full Council.

c. Rugby Club Rent

Members **RESOLVED** that the Clerk writes to the Rugby Club explaining that their rent is due for review by the Council and to request that the Senior and Junior Sections provide the Council with their accounts and financial statements for the previous 3 financial years to assist with this review.

d. Egloshayle Cemetery

Members debated the item at length and **RESOLVED** that the Clerk contacts Egloshayle Parish Council to ask them to consider what they deem an acceptable increase in their Parishioner contribution considering the increase in all cemetery charges. The Council wish to be fair but equitable in their consideration of the increase applied. The Council also wish to ask Egloshayle Parish Council if they have any different suggestions as to how they wish to make a Cemetery contribution.

*It was **RESOLVED** to re-instate Standing Order 1.c.*

Dates of next meetings

- **Full Council – Wednesday 15 September 2021, 7pm**
- **Finance & General Purposes Committee – 15 November 2021, 7pm**

Meeting closed at 8.09pm

Signed as a True and Accurate Account:

Chair: **Date:**

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