

DRAFT MINUTES

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF FOWEY TOWN COUNCIL FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON 5th JULY 2017 AT FOWEY TOWN HALL

Present Cllr J Berryman (Chairman), Cllr Mrs R Finlay (Mayor, *ex officio*), Cllr C Stansfield,
Cllr D Willmore,

In attendance The Town Clerk, Sally Vincent

17/01 Election of Chairman

Proposed Cllr Willmore, seconded Cllr Finlay and RESOLVED that Cllr Berryman serve as Chairman for 2017/2018

17/02 Apologies None

17/03 Declaration of Interests

- a. Pecuniary – Cllr Willmore declared a pecuniary interest in any matters relating to Parking Permits at Webb Street/Market Street/Caffa Mill
- b. Non Registerable – None.
- c. Dispensations - None

17/04 Public Questions

None

17/05 Minutes of Meeting of 8th November 2016

Proposed Cllr Willmore, seconded Cllr Finlay and RESOLVED that the minutes be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

17/06 Matters Arising (for report only)

None

17/07 Review 2017/2018 Income/Expenditure against Budget

Members reviewed the up to date figures provided by the Town Clerk and noted nothing of concern..

17/08 Town Quay/Caffa Mill Toilets

Members discussed the sustainability of maintaining the toilets following the vandalism of the coin pay systems. Consideration was given to abolishing the pay system altogether but this was considered impossible because a). it would leave the toilets open to vandalism and b). the income derived from the coin pay system in the last financial year was in the region of £12K and this would otherwise have to be raised from the precept.

The Clerk was in contact with the FTC insurers and had asked for a quote from Healthmatic for the replacement of the units. The cost to the town was likely to be substantial, which was very unfortunate given that the thieves would have found less than a couple of pounds in the

coin bags. It was agreed that the facilities must remain closed until repairs could be carried out and it was proposed by Cllr Willmore, seconded Cllr Stanfield and RESOLVED that Cllr Berryman and the Town Clerk be given delegated power to deal with the matter and also to investigate the installation of CCTV.

The Town Clerk recorded the positive news that both the wallgates in the Town Quay toilets were now working, although Cllr Asker was awaiting a quote for replacing the wallgates with sinks, hand driers etc. as a possible alternative if the systems failed again.

Cllr Finlay noted that the day to day running of the toilets generated a significant amount of work for the Town Clerk and also for herself, as she had volunteered to empty the coin bags at Caffa Mill. The possibility of employing or contracting somebody to take overall responsibility for the two toilet blocks was discussed and it was agreed that the first step would be to draw up some possible Terms of Reference for such a post to see if it was workable.

17/09 Squires Field

Quotes had been received for tarmacking a strip at the right hand side of the car park to provide permit parking for the Community Bus and a limited number of spaces available for rental, with Fowey residents/businesses having priority. Quotes had also been received for tarmacking the whole car park. It was agreed that the cost of covering the whole area at once was prohibitive and that careful consideration would need to be given to drainage if it was undertaken. Cllr Berryman noted that FTC had already recorded support for the Community Bus and that an income from permits would partly offset the cost of running the complex, which was already running at nearly £8,000 for 2017/2018. He then proposed, Cllr Willmore seconded and it was RESOLVED that the quote from DA Giles to tarmac the strip on the left of the car park should be accepted, with the work hopefully completed in the autumn.

17/10 St Catherines Castle Lights

Cllr Berryman reported that Chris Biggs had reinstalled the turbine and mast but the system was still not working as the Leisure batteries needed replacement. He proposed, Cllr Willmore seconded and it was RESOLVED that new batteries should be purchased..

17/11 Reports from Members

Cllr Finlay reported that the Environment Committee had resolved to contract a gardener for 2 hours a fortnight at the cost of £12.00 per hour.

17/12 Regularity of Meetings

It was agreed that meetings should ideally be held quarterly with the next one in early October.

Meeting Closed 3.25pm

Date of Next Meeting to be confirmed