

DRAFT MINUTES

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF FOWEY TOWN COUNCIL FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 9th JUNE 2021 AT 10.00am IN FOWEY TOWN HALL

Present Cllr J Berryman (Chairman), Cllr Mrs R Cooke, Cllr Dellow, Cllr P Hughes (part),
Cllr Mrs L Simms (Mayor, *ex officio*)

In attendance The Town Clerk, Sally Vincent

21/01 Election of Chairman

It was proposed by Cllr Simms, seconded Cllr Cooke and RESOLVED that Cllr Berryman should serve as Chairman for 2021/2022

21/02 Apologies None

21/03 Declaration of Interests

- a. Pecuniary – None
- b. Non Registerable – None.
- c. Dispensations - None

21/04 Public Questions

None

21/05 Minutes of Meeting of 25th March 2021

It was proposed by Cllr Cooke, seconded Cllr Dellow and RESOLVED that the minutes be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

21/06 Matters Arising (for report only)

20/65. The new door and coinpay system had been installed at the TQ toilets by Healthmatic
20/65. The binstores had been removed from Webb Street car park and the bin owners told to remove their bins from the site.

Cllr Hughes arrived

21/07 Town Hall Caretaker

It was proposed by Cllr Dellow, seconded Cllr Hughes and RESOLVED that Russell Maclaren be permitted to take over the Town Hall Cleaning/Caretaking role from his wife Caroline from 1st July 2021. The Town Clerk would review the job description and make the necessary revisions to include Russell's other regular work for FTC. Any casual work would be treated as overtime. It was agreed that when the vacancies on FTC were filled the Council should consider forming a staffing Committee.

21/08 Christmas Market

Members discussed the future of the Christmas Market at some length, given the decision of the Fowey Chamber of Commerce to ask FTC to take over its organization. It was recognised that the Chamber may have a contract with Live Events South West but members had previously agreed that FTC would not take this over and if a decision was made to continue with the event a new contract would have to be negotiated. It was generally felt that potential Covid restrictions could well impact on the Market for Christmas 2021 and, in any event, something more low-key could well be better going forward. Suggestions were a big Christmas tree on the quay with carol singing and other music, a hog roast, mulled wine, Father Christmas etc. etc. Small market stalls for local businesses could potentially be put up in Webb Street/Market Street car parks but in separate pop-up units, rather than marquees and the Town Hall and possibly Gallants/RFYC and the Church could be utilised. It was proposed by Cllr Berryman, seconded Cllr Simms and RESOLVED that a new contract should not be taken out with Live Events South West and that a Working Group should be set up to investigate a smaller event along the lines previously discussed.

21/09 Town Quay

Cllr Berryman reported that licensed boatmen had been authorized to carry out emergency work on the fendering on the slipway to enable them to start trading. It had proved to be quite a difficult job taking 2 days working from a ladder putting heavy bulks of timber in place and if more work was required it may be necessary to hire some sort of lifting gear. Cllr Hughes proposed, Cllr Cooke seconded and it was RESOLVED that the boatmen should be paid £250 in recognition of the work they had undertaken for FTC.

21/10 Caffa Mill Store & Public Toilets

It was proposed by Cllr Simms, seconded Cllr Dellow and RESOLVED that the lease of the Caffa Mill Store should be renewed for a further 6 years and include the whole of the building. The terms of the lease would oblige the tenant to maintain public toilet provision on the site, this could be just one unit but must include a disabled facility and must be open all year, although with restricted opening hours. If charging was continued this would be capped at 50p unless a higher charge was agreed with FTC. Rent would remain as in the previous lease. Subject to agreement of these terms the Town Clerk was instructed to instruct the FTC solicitor to produce the new lease.

Cllr Hughes left the meeting

21/11 Town Hall Notice Boards

It was proposed by Cllr Berryman, seconded Cllr Cooke and RESOLVED that two new notice boards should be purchased from Greenbarnes, one to replace the existing one outside the Trafalgar Square entrance and one to replace the very old one to the right of the aquarium entrance. It was agreed that the boards should be blue and, if possible, incorporate the FTC seal. The Trafalgar Square board would be offered to the Allotment Association as it could be restored for notices at the Readymoney site.

21/12 Matters Considered Urgent by the Chairman

Cllr Berryman asked the Town Clerk to chase up the architect for the Pavilion drawings. Cllr Simms reported that SFCC had asked if it would be possible to have a notice for the Squires Field parking area close to the Community Centre saying that the parking area there is for Community Centre users and also saying please do not park in front of the gate as access is needed for emergency services. It was agreed that a decision on this should not be taken

until the refurbishment of the Pavilion had been completed. Cllr Simms undertook to advise SFCC accordingly.

Date of Next Meeting to be confirmed

Meeting Closed 11.27pm