



# **DAWLISH TOWN COUNCIL**

## Minutes of a Meeting of the **Finance & General Purposes Committee** Held at The Manor House, Dawlish on Thursday, 28 March 2019 at 7.00pm

### **Present:**

Councillors Clemens (Chairman) Lowther (Vice Chairman), Goodman-Bradbury, Taylor and Wrigley.

### **Other Town Councillors Present:**

Councillor Mawhood

### **Officer in attendance**

Andrew McKenzie – Town Clerk

### **Members of the public**

There were no members of the public present.

*The following minutes will be considered for approval at the next meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee and may be subject to change until that time.*

### **125 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Councillors A. Fenne, G. Fenne, Foden (Deputy Mayor), Mayne (Mayor), and Nickless.

### **126 AGREEMENT OF THE AGENDA BETWEEN PARTS I AND II**

**RESOLVED** unanimous agreement of the Agenda between Parts I and II.

### **127 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Wrigley declared an appendix b interest in relation to minute number 133 by virtue of being a Teignbridge District Council off-peak parking permit holder.

### **128 DISPENSATIONS**

There were none

### **129 MINUTES**

Members present and voting received the Minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting held on 27 February 2019.

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 28 February 2019 be signed by the Committee Chairman as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

**130 TO CONSIDER GRANT APPLICATIONS RECEIVED**

No grant applications were considered due to the Council being in the pre-election period known as 'Purdah'.

**131 HIGHWAY MANAGEMENT TRAFFIC ORDERS**

Members considered the following sites which had been put forward by the County Councillor for Dawlish for consideration. The Town Council had been invited to submit comments prior to the sites going out for formal consultation on the proposals.

Dawlish:

- School Hill – to maintain access to off-street parking
- Stockton Hill - to prevent inappropriate and obstructive parking and maintain visibility at junction.

Dawlish Warren:

- Week Lane - to prevent inappropriate and obstructive parking and maintain visibility at junction.
- Millin Way - to prevent inappropriate and obstructive parking

Following discussion, it was

**RESOLVED** that Dawlish Town Council supports any action to prevent inappropriate and obstructive parking in Dawlish.

**132 SEAGULL CAMPAIGN**

Members considered a proposal from Teignbridge District Council to fund a campaign delivered by Fools Paradise aimed at deterring visitors and locals from feeding the seagulls.

Options available were 2 days (a performance in each location) - £1465+VAT and 4 days (2 performances in each location) - £2645+VAT

It had been suggested that Dawlish Town council would pay 50% of the costs as there would be a performance in two of its resorts, Teignmouth Town Council paying 25% and Shaldon Parish Council paying 25%. In conjunction with this, Teignbridge District Council would be running the 'don't feed the locals' working with the Beachwise Partnership and local businesses to raise awareness about not feeding the seagulls.

Members advised they believed Shaldon Parish Council had decided not to contribute to the proposal.

Following discussion, it was

**Resolved** that Dawlish Town Council support the 2-day performance campaign subject to the costs being clarified and the performances being filmed to enable reuse in the future.

**133 THE DISTRICT OF TEIGNBRIDGE (OFF-STREET PARKING PLACES) ORDER 2019**

Members considered the Off-Street Parking Places Order 2019 and considered if Dawlish Town Council should make any formal representations during the consultation process.

Members were concerned with the lack of paying by coin facilities in the machines adjacent to the Barton Surgery. Following discussion, it was

**Resolved** that those parking meters located adjacent to the Barton Surgery in the Barton Hill Car Park be made free to park for up to 30 minutes instead of the current 70p charge and that this be communicated to Teignbridge District Council.

**134 INVOICES FOR PAYMENT, DIRECT DEBIT AND INCOME (FEBRUARY 2019)**

Members present received and considered the report of invoices paid, direct debits and income received since the last report to the Committee.

**RESOLVED** unanimously that this report be approved.

**135 BANK RECONCILIATION (28 FEBRUARY 2019)**

Members present received and considered the bank reconciliations as at 28 February 2019.

**RESOLVED** unanimously that the report be approved.

**136 FINANCIAL REPORT (FEBRUARY 2019)**

Members present received and considered the up to date budget comparison

Councillor Mawhood queried what the £650 was for against Little Week Play Park. The Clerk advised he would investigate and report back to Councillor Mawhood outside of the meeting.

**RESOLVED** unanimously that the report be approved.

**137 ITEMS FROM CIVIC AMENITIES COMMITTEE**

There were none.

**138 ITEMS FROM EVENTS COMMITTEE**

There were none.

**139 ITEMS FROM THE MANOR HOUSE AND RIVERSIDE SUB COMMITTEE**

Members considered the recommendation from the Manor House and Riverside Sub Committee that agreement be given to accept the quote for works to improve the acoustics within the Council Chamber at a cost of £6,987.12.

The Clerk advised of the proposed layout, materials to be used and possible colours available. The lead time was 2 weeks for the two standard colours and 4-5 weeks for others.

Following discussion, it was

**Resolved** that the quote be accepted at a cost of £6,987.12

**140 PRESS RELEASE**

Members agreed to issue a press release regarding the approved grants for:

Improvements to the acoustics of the Council Chamber.

**Part II Exclusion of the Public and Press – The Public Bodies (Admissions to meetings) Act 1960**

Pursuant to Section 1(2) of The Public Bodies (admissions to meetings) Act 1960, and having regard to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted it was RESOLVED that the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business:

**141 SALARY AND EXPENSES (FEBRUARY 2019)**

(Confidential by virtue of relating to members of staff)

**RESOLVED** Salaries and Expenses for February 2019 were noted. Members requested that future months reports be included only if there was a deviation from standard contractual payments.

The meeting was closed by the Chairman at 8.09pm.

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Councillor Humphrey Clemens, Chairman