

Meeting Minutes

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MINUTES:

of the meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held in the Council Chamber, Passmore Edwards Building, The Cross, Cross Street, Camborne TR14 8HA on Thursday 27th May 2021 at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT:

Councillor M Williams	Chairman	
Councillor C Lawrence	Vice Chairman	(to & from points mentioned)
Councillor M Champion		(ex-officio)
Councillor R Congdon		
Councillor Mrs V Dalley		
Councillor Ms Z Fox		
Councillor D Wilkins		

IN ATTENDANCE:

Samantha Hughes, Town Clerk; Janet Ritchie, Committee Support Officer; Matthew Kenworthy Gomes, representing Cornwall Pride (from and to points mentioned.)

The Chairman explained the meeting procedures to all present.

FG.3804 TO RECEIVE NOMINATIONS AND ELECT A CHAIRMAN OF THE FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2021/2022

FG.3804.2 RESOLVED: that Councillor Williams was elected Chairman of the Finance and General Purposes Committee for the municipal year 2021/2022

Proposed by Councillor Wilkins
Seconded by Councillor Ms Fox

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

Councillor Williams thanked members for her appointment and offered her support for the coming year.

FG.3805 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR NON-ATTENDANCE

All members present.

FG.3806 MEMBERS TO DECLARE DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND NON-REGISTERABLE INTERESTS (INCLUDING THE DETAILS THEREOF) IN RESPECT OF ANY ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA INCLUDING ANY GIFTS OR HOSPITALITY EXCEEDING £25

There were no declarations of interest.

FG.3807 TO APPROVE WRITTEN REQUEST(S) FOR DISPENSATIONS

There were no dispensation requests.

FG.3808 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cornwall Association of Local Councils (CALC) was offering Finance for Councillor courses in June and July. Members should inform the Town Clerk if they wished to attend.

FG.3809 TO RECEIVE NOMINATIONS AND ELECT A VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2021/2022

There were two nominations for Vice-Chairman:

- Councillor Lawrence, Proposed by Councillor Ms Fox, Seconded by Councillor Congdon;
- Councillor Wilkins, Proposed by Councillor Mrs Dalley, Seconded by Councillor Williams.

Voting took place by a show of hands. Councillor Lawrence received 4 votes and Councillor Wilkins received 3 votes.

FG.3809.2 RESOLVED: that Councillor Lawrence was elected Vice-Chairman of the Finance and General Purposes Committee for the municipal year 2021/2022

Councillor Lawrence thanked members for his appointment.

FG.3810 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THIS COMMITTEE HELD ON 29th APRIL 2021

FG.3810.2 RESOLVED: that the minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 29th April 2021 were received and approved and signed by the Chairman

Proposed by Councillor Wilkins
Seconded by Councillor Ms Fox

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously of those entitled to vote.

FG.3811 MATTERS ARISING, FOR INFORMATION ONLY, WHERE NOT INCLUDED BELOW

There were no matters arising.

FG.3812 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (SUBJECT TO STANDING ORDER 3E MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE PERMITTED TO MAKE REPRESENTATIONS, ANSWER QUESTIONS AND GIVE EVIDENCE IN RESPECT OF ANY ITEM OF BUSINESS INCLUDED IN THE AGENDA, UP TO A MAXIMUM OF FIFTEEN MINUTES)

Matthew Kenworthy Gomes, representing Cornwall Pride, was admitted to the meeting at 6.41pm.

Mr Kenworthy Gomes spoke in support of his organisation's grant application, which was requesting funding towards the Cornwall Pride Tour Event taking place by bus across Cornwall during June 2021 to celebrate Pride Month. The tour had been created in 2018 and, together with its partner organisations and supporters, it had become an annual event, visiting 20 locations in two days, with the aim of reaching and supporting existing and new members of the Pride community, especially those who might be marginalised.

The Tour had always operated on a low budget, with entertainment on the bus and in the town centres provided by travelling artists and not-for-profit organisations. This year, for the first time, all local Councils and communities in Cornwall were being asked to support the event, which had grown in popularity.

Mr Kenworthy Gomes answered members' questions.

Concern was expressed that large numbers of the public would gather at the locations, compromising Covid safety. Mr Kenworthy Gomes explained that the events would be held outdoors, with limited attendance and that the Covid restrictions in place as of May 17th, 2021 would be applied.

The Chairman thanked Mr Kenworthy Gomes for his presentation.

FG.3813 TO CONSIDER GRANT APPLICATIONS FROM

i) Cornwall Pride CIC (General Power of Competence)

AGREE ACTION AND AUTHORISE EXPENDITURE

Members considered the application.

FG.3813.2 RESOLVED: that a grant of £500.00 was awarded to Cornwall Pride CIC, under the General Power of Competence, with funds approved from the Community Grants and Donations Budget

Proposed by Councillor Mrs Dalley

Seconded by Councillor Wilkins

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

Mr Kenworthy Gomes left the meeting at 6.53 pm.

Councillor Lawrence left the meeting at 6.53 pm and returned at 6.54 pm.

ii) Camborne Day Centre (General Power of Competence)

Members considered the application and concluded that further information was required from this organisation regarding up to date draft accounts and budget.

FG.3813.3 RESOLVED: that a grant application from Camborne Day Centre was deferred pending receipt of up to date accounts and budget information

Proposed by Councillor Ms Fox

Seconded by Councillor Williams

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

FG.3814 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE BANK CASH AND INVESTMENT RECONCILIATION, EARMARKED RESERVES REPORT AND DETAILED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE BY BUDGET HEADING REPORT UP TO APRIL 2021

FG.3814.2 RESOLVED: that the Bank Cash and Investment Reconciliation, Earmarked Reserves Report and Detailed Income and Expenditure by Budget Heading Report up to April 2021 was received and approved

Proposed by Councillor Williams
Seconded by Councillor Wilkins

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

FG.3815 **TO APPROVE PAYMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2021 MADE UNDER FINANCIAL REGULATION 4.1, 4.5, 5.4, 5.5, 6.2, 6.7 AND 7.2**

FG.3815.2 **RESOLVED: that payments for the month of April 2021 made under Financial Regulation 4.1, 4.5, 5.4, 5.5, 6.2, 6.7 and 7.2 were received and approved**

Proposed by Councillor Williams
Seconded by Councillor Mrs Dalley

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

FG.3816 **TO APPROVE PAYMENTS MADE DURING THE MONTH OF APRIL 2021 MADE UNDER THE DELEGATED AUTHORITY OF THE CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN**

FG.3816.2 **RESOLVED: that payments made during the month of April 2021 made under the delegated authority of the chairman and Vice-Chairman were approved**

Proposed by Councillor Williams
Seconded by Councillor Wilkins

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

FG.3817 **TO APPROVE THE PAYMENT OF INVOICES RECEIVED FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 2021, UP TO DATE SCHEDULE TO BE TABLED AT THE MEETING**

FG.3817.2 **RESOLVED: that the payment of invoices received for the month of May 2021, up to date schedule to be tabled at the meeting was approved**

Proposed by Councillor Wilkins
Seconded by Councillor Williams

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

FG.3818 **TO APPROVE PAYMENTS MADE DURING THE MONTH OF MAY 2021 MADE UNDER FINANCIAL REGULATION 4.1, 4.5, 5.4, 5.5, 6.2, 6.7 AND 7.2, UP TO THE DATE OF THE MEETING**

FG.3818.2 **RESOLVED: that payments made during the month of May 2021 made under Financial Regulation 4.1, 4.5, 5.4, 5.5, 6.2, 6.7 and 7.2, up to the date of the meeting were received and approved**

Proposed by Councillor Williams
Seconded by Councillor Wilkins

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

FG.3819 **TO RECEIVE A REPORT OF EXPENDITURE DELEGATED TO THE TOWN CLERK FROM THE DATE OF THE APRIL MEETING AND UP TO THE DATE OF THIS MEETING, FOR APPROVAL**

FG.3819.2 **RESOLVED: that a report of expenditure delegated to the Town Clerk from the date of the April meeting and up to the date of this meeting, was received and approved**

Proposed by Councillor Mrs Dalley
Seconded by Councillor Champion

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

FG.3820 **TO RECEIVE A RISK ASSESSMENT REPORT FROM THE AMENITIES & PROJECTS OFFICER, FOR THE RETURN TO FACE-TO-FACE MEETINGS AT THE PASSMORE EDWARDS BUILDING AND AGREE ACTION**

FG.3820.2 **RESOLVED: that a Risk Assessment Report from the Amenities & Projects Officer , for the return to face-to-face meetings at the Passmore Edwards Building was received and approved**

Proposed by Councillor Champion
Seconded by Councillor Wilkins

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

FG.3821

TO RECEIVE A VERBAL REPORT FROM THE TOWN CLERK ON MEMBERS EXPENSES AND CONSIDER POLICY UPDATES FOR RECOMMENDATION TO FULL COUNCIL

The Town Clerk appraised members of this Council's policy regarding claiming members expenses and the associated implications.

Discussion took place and the option of travel expenses or members allowances were considered.

The Town Clerk recommended that members investigated the position with their own vehicle insurance companies and reported back to the July meeting of this committee.

FG.3821.2

RESOLVED: that a verbal report from the Town Clerk on members expenses was received and that further discussion was deferred until the July meeting of this Committee when more information would be available

Proposed by Councillor Ms Fox

Seconded by Councillor Mrs Dalley

On a vote being taken the matter was approved unanimously.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.35 pm.

SIGNED BY THE CHAIRMAN.....

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