

FALMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on Monday 9th July 2007 in the Council Chamber, Municipal Buildings, Falmouth at 7.00 pm.

Present: Councillors G F Evans (Chairman), K A Ayers, Mrs A J Biggins, Mrs J A Booth, G W Chin-Quee, O K Cramp, Mrs M Davies, B Elliott, S D Eva, Mrs V E Eva, Ms D E Merrett, D Noakes, Mrs M Ryan and M A Varney.

In Attendance: A M Williams (Town Clerk)
S J Polglase (Deputy Clerk & Finance Officer)

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F 3478 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received and approved from Councillors Body (holiday) and Sterratt (work).

F 3479 **INTERESTS**

Councillor Ayres declared an interest in Minute F3481 (Shopper Card Scheme) and left the meeting during the consideration thereof having spoken to the matter.

Councillor Ms Merrett declared an interest in Minute F3481 (Community Speed Watch) and left the meeting during the consideration thereof having spoken to the matter.

Councillor Noakes reported a number of donations he had received in excess of £25 that he would formally register with the Council.

F 3480 **MINUTES**

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Biggins, seconded by Councillor Mrs Davies and

RESOLVED that Part I of the Minutes of the meeting held on 4th June 2007 be confirmed as a correct record of the proceedings and signed by the Chairman, subject to the inclusion that Councillor Elliott voted against the decision under Minute F3475.

F3481 **GRANTS**

It was proposed by Councillor S D Eva, seconded by Councillor Elliott and

RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 145 of the Local Government Act, 1972 the Falmouth School Drama Department (Les Miserable Production) be granted £500 from the 2007/08 grants budget.

It was proposed by Councillor Varney, seconded by Councillor Cramp and

RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 137 of the Local Government Act, 1972 the Falmouth Shopper Card Scheme be granted £500 from the 2007/08 grants budget.

It was proposed by Councillor S D Eva, seconded by Councillor Elliott and

RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 31 of the Local Government and Rating Act, 1997 the Falmouth and Penryn Community Speed Watch Group be granted £1000 from the 2007/08 grants budget.

Councillor Noakes requested that it be recorded he voted against the above decision. An amendment proposed by Councillor Noakes that a grant of £500 be made was withdrawn.

The letters of thanks for recent grant award from the Falmouth Week Shoreside Committee and Cornwall Rape and Sexual Abuse Centre were duly noted.

F3482 **MASS BURN INCINERATOR FOR CORNWALL**

The holding response from Cornwall County Council was duly noted.

F3483 **TRESCOBEAS ALL WEATHER PITCH**

It was proposed by Councillor Ayres, seconded by Councillor S D Eva and

RESOLVED that the NHS LEAP project be permitted to use the site for streetgames sessions free of charge on Thursday 4.30pm – 5.30pm for twelve months, subject to suitable insurance and risk assessment.

F3484 **CREATING A COMMON VISION FOR FALMOUTH**

The report of the event was duly noted and endorsed. The Town Mayor stated that the Town Council should take the lead and support and co-ordinate the future appropriate development of Falmouth.

F3485 **DISTRICT CORNWALL COUNTRYSIDE ACCESS STRATEGY (CCAS) CONSULTATION**

RESOLVED that the Council does not respond to the consultation.

F3486 **PENGARTH RISE, FALMOUTH**

This matter had been referred from the Planning Committee. The Town Clerk advised that any development would need to be driven by the owner and possibly residents. The Council could assist residents in grant submissions in developing a play area if appropriate.

F3487 **CORNWALL MINERALS DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK**

The Mineral Development Framework update was duly noted.

F3488 **ADDITIONAL DOG BINS**

Carrick District Council advised that requests for additional bins would be considered quarterly and should be via the Town Council.

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Davies, seconded by Councillor S D Eva and

RESOLVED that

- (i) additional bins be requested for Pendennis area (Castle Drive), Melville Road, Trescobeas Road and Woodlane; and
- (ii) Carrick District Council be requested to increase emptying regime for bins as many sites, particularly at Pendennis Headland area, were allowed to overflow.

F3489 **EXTERNAL AUDIT**

RESOLVED that publication of the appointment of date for the exercise of electors rights be noted.

F3490 **TRANSITION FALMOUTH**

Former Councillor Lloyd's update report on Transition Falmouth was duly noted.

F3491 **SOUTH WEST CEMETERIES INAUGURAL MEETING**

It was proposed by Councillor Varney, seconded by Councillor Mrs Davies and

RESOLVED that

- (i) the Administrative Officer's report on the inaugural meeting be noted and further considered by the Cemeteries Working Party in due course; and
- (ii) the Administrative Officer and Sexton become members of the Institute of Cemetery and Crematorium Management.

F3492 **ROOF NESTING GULLS IN CORNWALL**

It was proposed by Councillor Noakes, seconded by Councillor Cramp and

RESOLVED that

- (i) the Town Clerk establishes the extent of the protection of seagulls and whether that protection could be rescinded to facilitate culls; and
- (ii) the report by Professor Rock be noted.

F3493 **KIMBERLEY PARK**

It was proposed by Councillor Varney, seconded by Councillor Elliott and

RESOLVED that the Theatre Alchemists Company be permitted to stage an open air theatre show in Kimberly Park on 3rd August 2007 between 6.30pm and 9.30pm. Subject to having no impact upon the surroundings, remediation of any damage, site clearance, no stage, and all necessary consents being obtained, including public liability insurance and risk assessment.

F3494 **REVIEW OF POLLING DISTRICTS AND POLLING PLACES**

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs V E Eva, seconded by Councillor S D Eva and

RESOLVED that the Council raises no representations in respect of polling district boundaries but requests a rationalisation of polling stations at Laburnum Hall, where access is difficult and Rosslyn Hotel where parking is difficult. The former Tregenver School buildings would make a suitable alternative.

F3495 **BUDOCK HOSPITAL**

Further to the report of the Chief Executive of the Cornwall and Isles of Scilly NHS Primary Care Trust the Town Mayor apprised the Committee of the proposals for the site which were duly noted.

F3496 **FUNCHAL 500 REGATTA 2008**

The event update report of Carrick District Council was noted.

F3497 **BUDGET MONITORING REPORT**

It was proposed by Councillor Varney, seconded by Councillor Mrs Davies and

RESOLVED that the budget monitoring report for 2007/08 first quarter be noted.

F3498 **ACCOUNTS AND PETTY CASH**

It was proposed by Councillor Varney, seconded by Councillor Mrs Davies and

RESOLVED that the accounts and petty cash schedules (attached) for May and June 2007 be approved.

F3499 **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

It was proposed by Councillor Varney, seconded by Councillor Elliott and

RESOLVED that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the public and press be excluded from the meeting.