

FALMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on Monday 14th September 2009 in the Council Chamber, Municipal Buildings, Falmouth at 7:00 pm.

Present: Councillors G F Evans (In the Chair), A K Ayres, Mrs A J Biggins, I J Body, Mrs J E Booth, G W Chin-Quee, O K Cramp, Mrs M Davies, B Elliott, S D Eva, Mrs V E Eva, A J Jewell, Ms D E Merrett, Mrs M Ryan, and Dr D A Sterratt

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

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F3749 **APOLOGIES**
None received.

Councillor Evans welcomed Councillor Jewell to the Council and congratulated both Councillor Body and Mr Polglase on their recent weddings.

F3750 **INTERESTS**

Councillor Ayres and Mrs V E Eva both declared an interest in the grant application by Lambs Lane Residents Group as they were active members of that group. They did not speak or vote thereon.

F3751 **CHAIRMAN**

Following the election of Councillor Evans to the office of Town mayor he requested nominations for the Chairman. Two valid nominations were received.

It was proposed by Councillor Ms Merrett, seconded by Councillor Mrs Davies and

RESOLVED that Councillor Mrs V E Eva be elected
Chairman for the remainder of the Municipal Year.

(A MOTION proposed by Councillor Body and seconded by Councillor Sterratt that Councillor Ayres be elected Chairman was lost)

Councillor Mrs V E Eva took the Chair and thanked members for their support. She sought nominations for Vice-Chairman. One valid nomination was received.

It was proposed by Councillor Ms Merrett, seconded by Councillor S D Eva and

RESOLVED that Councillor A K Ayres be elected
Vice-Chairman for the remainder of the Municipal Year.

F3752 **MINUTES**

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

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 6th July 2009 be confirmed as a correct record of the proceedings and signed by the Chairman. Subject to the inclusion of Councillor Noakes as present at the meeting.

F3753 **GRANTS**

It was resolved that Councillor Mrs Davies takes the Chair during consideration of the Lambs Lane and Ashfield Members Association grant request.

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Biggins, seconded by Councillor Chin-Quee and

RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 145 of the Local Government Act 1972 the Lambs Lane and Ashfield Members Association be granted £515 towards the Trescobeas Fun Day.

Councillor Elliott requested that his name be recorded as having voted against this decision.

It was proposed by Councillor Ms Merrett, seconded by Councillor Mrs Biggins and

RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 19 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 the Falmouth and Penryn Boxing Club be granted £1,000 towards the initial equipment costs and training.

It was proposed by Councillor Body, seconded by Councillor Sterratt and

RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 145 of the Local Government Act 1972, Pendennis Brass be granted £945 towards the cost of new music stands subject to the Chairman and Vice-Chairman in consultation with the Town Clerk being satisfied as to the awaited accounts information.

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

RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 145 of the Local Government Act 1972 the Street Dance Project be granted £300 subject to clarification that the project still required funding as the submitted application indicated it enjoyed sufficient funding from other sources.

Councillor Mrs Davies requested that her name be recorded as having voted against this decision. A MOTION by Councillor Ms Merrett that a grant of £600 be made was not seconded.

F3754 **STRENGTHENING LOCAL DEMOCRACY**

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs V E Eva, seconded by Councillor Ms Merrett and

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk be delegated, in consultation with Councillors Cramp and Chin-Quee in formulating the Council's response to the consultation.

F3755 **FALMOUTH TOWN GUIDE**

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

RESOLVED that the Council proceeds with the publication of the Town Guide in Spring 2010.

F3756 **FOCUS GROUP, CORNWALL ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS**

It was proposed by Councillor Chin-Quee, seconded by Councillor Ms Merrett and

RESOLVED that the Council give an equal weighting to the prioritisation of focus groups and indicated it is willing to participate as required.

F3757 **OUT OF HOURS WARDENS**

The report of Councillor S D Eva and the Town Clerk regarding progress of the request to Cornwall Council to meet the shortfall in funding in respect of the Out of Hours Wardens was duly noted.

F3758 **FALMOUTH GIRL GUIDES ANNIVERSARY PLANTING**

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

RESOLVED that the Council investigate the inclusion of a formal flower bed to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Falmouth Girl Guides

F3759 **2010/11 BUDGET**

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

RESOLVED that the Finance Sub-Committee prepare a draft budget for consideration to include a review of grants and the tendering process within Financial Regulations.

F3760 **TOWN COUNCIL SURGERIES**

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

RESOLVED that Cornwall Councillors S D Eva and Evans be permitted to combine their residents surgeries with those of the Council. Further the remaining Cornwall Councillors: Chappell, Saunby and Varney be advised they would also avail themselves if they wished.

F3761 **ACCOUNTS AND PETTY CASH**

It was proposed by Councillor Sterratt, seconded by Councillor Ms Merrett and

RESOLVED that the Accounts and Petty Cash Schedules (attached) for July and August 2009 be approved.

There being no further business to transact the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.50pm.

Signed.....

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