# FALMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held in the Council Chamber, Municipal Buildings, The Moor, Falmouth on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2015 at 7.00pm

Present: Councillors Ms C Atherton CC (Chair), Mrs R D Brock, G G Chappel, O K Cramp, G F Evans CC, Mrs V E Eva, S Gray, A J Jewell CC, Ms D E Merrett, Mrs P A Minson, B M A Ross and D W Saunby CC.

In Attendance: A M Williams (Town Clerk) Mrs R N Thomas (Finance Officer)

### F4605 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received and approved from Councillors I J Body (ill), Mrs M Davies (ill) and S D Eva (ill).

### F4606 INTERESTS

Councillor Jewell declared a disclosable interest in the Cemetery Extension (Minute F4621) as he had use of agricultural land there and left the meeting during the consideration of that item.

### F4607 MINUTES

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

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> June 2015 be confirmed as a correct record of the proceedings.

# F4608 GRANT APPLICATIONS

None received.

The Grant schedule for 2015/16 and the letter of thanks for grant award from the Falmouth Classics Association was duly noted.

# F4609 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN AND ARTICLE 4 DIRECTION

The Chair provided some initial feedback from the consultation (attached) and responded to members questions thereon.

# F4610 STANDING ORDERS AND FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

The Town Clerk reported the feedback from Committees and the statutory changes that affected Standing Orders and Financial Regulations.

It was proposed by Councillor Evans, seconded by Councillor Gray and

RESOLVED that Standing Orders including Financial Regulations be recommended to the Council for adoption (attached as part of these minutes).

# F4611 CCLA – THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES PROPOERTY FUND

It was duly noted that the fund account had been opened.

# F4612 DEPOT

The Town Clerk reported regarding rationalisation and acquisition options for Depots. The report was duly noted and that the Council pursues depot provision.

### F4613 FALMOUTH IN BLOOM

The Chair provided an update of South West In Bloom and Britain In Bloom judging dates and thanked all those who had contributed to the In Bloom work in 2015

### F4614 ACCOUNTS AND PETTY CASH

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

RESOLVED that the Accounts and Petty Cash schedules for June 2015 (attached) be approved.

### F4615 NALC – LARGE COUNCIL'S COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE

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

RESOLVED that the Council endorses the application made by Councillor Ms Atherton to serve the Large Council's Committee of NLCC.

The Chair agreed to take this matter as an urgent item to enable a timely submission to be made.

### F4616 LIBRARIES CONSULTATION

The Chair reported correspondence from the Portfolio Holder at Cornwall Council in respect of the Consultation.

It was proposed by Councillor Ms Atherton, seconded by Councillor Mrs Minson and

RESOLVED that the Council strongly objects to the Portfolio Holders recommendations that Model B be pursued as it was contrary to the consultation outcome and the localism and devolution aspirations of Cornwall Council and the Town and Parish Council Sector.

The Chair agreed to take on this matter as an urgent matter so that Cornwall Council could be appraised to the Town Council view before the formal consideration of the matter.

# F4617 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was proposed by Councillor Gray, seconded by Councillor Evans and

RESOLVED that the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following business as it involves the consideration of property and contractual matters.