

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 19 January 2015 at 7pm

Present: Councillors Ms C Atherton CC (Chair), I J Body, Mrs R D Brock, G G Chappel, O K Cramp, Mrs M Davies, S D Eva (to point mentioned), Mrs V E Eva (to point mentioned), G F Evans CC, S Gray, 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)
R Wilcox (Falmouth BID Manager)
K Johnson (Falmouth University)
M Rogers, Mrs Tregidgo and A Richards (Grant Applicants)

F4521 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received and approved from Councillors G W Chin-Quee (work), Jewell (Cornwall Council business) and Ms Merrett (ill).

F4522 **INTERESTS**

Councillor Body declared a non-disclosable interest in the grant application by Falmouth Age UK Day Centre (Minute FS123) as this was his Mayoral charity for 2014/15, he left the meeting during the consideration of the application.

F4523 **MINUTES**

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

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 3rd December 2014 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the chair

F4524 **GRANTS**

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

RESOLVED that pursuant to section 145 of the Local Government Act 1972:
(i) Source FM be granted £2000 towards the 2015 Parklive events.
(ii) Source FM be granted an annual grant award of £2000 to stage Parklive events.

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

RESOLVED that pursuant to section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 Carnon Carers be granted £200 towards the provision of day trips in 2015.

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

RESOLVED that pursuant to section 133 of the Local government Act 1972 Falmouth Age UK Day Centre be granted £1000 towards the provision of fencing.

It was proposed by Councillor Chappel, seconded by Councillor Mrs Brock and

RESOLVED that pursuant to section 19 of the
Local government (Miscellaneous Provisions)
Act 1976, Bishop's Forum Adventure be granted
£1200 towards the provision of new tents.

The Grant schedule for 2014/15 was duly noted.

F4525 **ADDITIONAL TOWN VISITOR SIGNAGE AND FALMOUTH UNIVERSITY**

The Falmouth BID Manager reported upon the successful signage scheme, supported by the Town Council, and upon the proposed Phase 3 of the scheme, supported by Falmouth University. Mr Johnson from Falmouth University reported upon the detailed proposals.

It was proposed by Councillor Ms Atherton, seconded by Councillor Cramp and

RESOLVED that the Council approves the phase 3
Town Visitor Signage proposals under the General
Permitted Development Powers subject to the approval
of the Highway Authority.

F4526 **THE CORNWALL COUNCIL (OFF-STREET PARKING PLACES)
(AMENDMENT 6) ORDER, 2012**

The Falmouth BID Manager reported his disappointment that Cornwall Council had not included the Falmouth proposals in the Order amendment.

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

RESOLVED that
(i) the Council write to Cornwall Council, all
Councillors to sign, strongly objecting to the proposed
Amendment Order that was inequitable in its treatment
of Falmouth Car Parks, and the Council reiterates its
previously submitted representations
(ii) correspondence at (i) above includes raising the
issues of delay of repair to the surface of Church Street
Car Park and the poor level of on-street parking
enforcement
(iii) the five Cornwall Council Falmouth Electoral
Division Members be requested to meet with the relevant
Portfolio Holder at Cornwall Council to seek the
inclusion in the Amendment Order of the Falmouth proposals.

Councillors S D Eva and Mrs V E Eva now left the meeting.

F4527 **FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE**

The Town Clerk reported further in regard to the Local Government Finance Settlement and representations made in respect of the threat of the introduction of referenda principles.

It was proposed by Councillor Body, seconded by Councillor Ms Atherton and

RESOLVED that the report of the Finance Sub-Committee
dated 6th January 2015 (attached as part of these minutes)
and the recommendations therein be approved.

Further it was proposed by Councillor Mrs Brock, seconded by Councillor Mrs Minson and

RESOLVED unanimously that the Local Government Minister be invited to attend Falmouth for the Council to demonstrate Localism and how it successfully engages with its community.

F4528 **CORNWALL RURAL COMMUNITY COUNCIL: COMMUNITY FUND DAY**

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

RESOLVED that the Council provides £250 from its Community Grants Budget and hosts a Community Fund Day for local organisations to benefit from grant advice and assistance from the Cornwall Rural Community Council.

F4529 **GENERAL POWER OF COMPETENCE**

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

RESOLVED that as the Council has a full electoral mandate and the Clerk holds the Certificate in Local Council Administration (including Section 7: General Power of Competence) the Council exercises the General Power of Competence as necessary but subject to its existing policies and practices.

F4530 **ARTICE 4 DIRECTION (HMOs) AND NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

The Chair updated in regards to these matters, the appointment of the NP Project Manager and the successful application for Locality grant funding to assist the consultation process. A special edition of Fathom, the residents newsletter, would be produced.

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Minson, seconded by Councillor Cramp and

RESOLVED that the report be noted and the appointment of Mr Besford-Foster as the Falmouth Neighbourhood Plan Project Manager be endorsed.

F4531 **FATHOM**

The Chair reported that in addition to the stand alone Neighbourhood Plan edition the Summer edition would be brought forward to the Spring so to include financial and budgetary information in a timely manner to residents given Cornwall Council's decision not to circulate this data with Council Tax bills. The report was duly noted.

F4532 **BUDGET MONITORING 2014/15**

Consideration of this matter was deferred to the next meeting.

F4533 **ACCOUNTS AND PETTY CASH**

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

RESOLVED that the Accounts and Petty Cash schedules for December 2014 (attached) be approved.

There being no further business to transact the Chair declared the meeting closed at 8.10pm.

Signed: Date: