

**MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD VIA ZOOM ON TUESDAY, 27 OCTOBER 2020
AT 6.30PM**

Present: Cllr. R. Ash – Deputy Chairman
Cllr. J. Atkins
Cllr. D. Cox
Cllr. A. Eden
Cllr. J. Orme
Cllr. I. Palmer
Cllr. R. Phipps
Cllr. E.S. Russell
Cllr. P. Williams

In attendance: Mrs. T. Rowe – Town Clerk
Mr. I. Wedlake – Project and Facilities Manager
Miss. A. Winston – PA to Mayor and Clerk
Members of the Public

146. APOLOGIES

Cllr. A. Henderson
Cllr. D. Matthews, Chairman

147. USE OF MOBILE PHONES

In accordance with Minute 30, mobile phones be limited to personal use only (in case of emergencies) and in which case the Councillor is to leave the room to respond. Mobile phones are to be switched to silent during the meeting to avoid disruption.

148. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Cllr Ash said a member of the public had requested to speak regarding minute number 152.

149. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

In accordance with the Code of Conduct (section 13, Appendices A and B), Members are invited to declare any personal or disclosable pecuniary interests, including the nature and extent of such interests they may have in items to be considered at this meeting. Members are also reminded that the timescale to alter their stated interests with the District Council's Monitoring Officer is 28 days.

Cllr Phipps declared an interest in minute number 153 as he is currently the Mayor.

150. DISPENSATIONS

There were none.

151. MATTERS OF URGENCY BROUGHT FORWARD BY THE CHAIRMAN (IF ANY)

Cllr Cox thanked the Mayor and Deputy Mayor for their donation to Kingsway Residents Association. He also thanked local businesses and people for their support in providing meals for children in non term time.

152. PRESENTATION “REVISED LIST OF MEASURES IN NEW AIR QUALITY ACTION PLAN”

A presentation was given by Cllr Dewhirst, Devon County and Teignbridge District Councillor and Teignbridge Principal Environmental Health Officer on the air quality management area and air quality action plan and the review of the plan.

Councillors asked questions. A member of the public spoke about the huge amount of traffic on Bitton Park Road.

Cllr Cox proposed that the working group consisting of local residents, himself and Cllr Matthews continue. Cllr Ash said he is also happy to join the group.

Cllr Atkins suggested that the action points are circulated to all Councillors so everyone has an opportunity to feedback and this was agreed.

153. MAYOR’S ALLOWANCE

Cllr Phipps proposed that the Mayor’s allowance is paid in quarterly payments, seconded by Cllr Cox. The Clerk pointed out that payments may be taxable.

Cllr Atkins asked the Clerk to prepare a statement and bring the item back to a future meeting and this was agreed.

154. CLERK’S REPORT

- a) Information from the Alice Cross Centre regarding a special resolution for members had been received and the Clerk will circulate it.
- b) Grant application received from Teignmouth Traders Association. The Clerk reminded members that the Grants Committee meeting is overdue. It was agreed

that a meeting will take place after the Annual Council meeting in November when the Composition of Committees is agreed.

155. MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING

Cllr Phipps proposed to approve as a true record the Minutes, seconded by Cllr Russell and unanimously agreed.

156. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The accounts had been circulated.

Cllr Orme queried the INT Correspondence amount and the Clerk replied it is the course fee for the Finance Officer.

Cllr Palmer proposed that Accounts for Payment in the sum of £23,022.36 are approved, seconded by Cllr Phipps and agreed by majority. Cllr Orme abstained.

157. THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

Deems that all information held by this Council should be freely available to the public unless it falls under one of 23 exemptions.

158. DATA PROTECTION ACT 2018

Precludes this authority from publishing the names, addresses or other private information of individuals unless written permission is given by the individual for such details to be made public.

Therefore, where necessary, personal details have been removed from the papers attached to ensure that information held is available, but individuals are protected.

The meeting closed at 7.55pm.

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COUNCILLOR R ASH
DEPUTY CHAIRMAN

Bitton House, Teignmouth
28 October 2020