

Minutes of the Finance & Staffing Committee held on Monday 20th November 2017 in the Committee Room Town Hall, Windmill Lane, Northam at 10.00am

Present: Cllrs Sherborne (Chairman), Durkin, Brading, Edwards, Hames, Himan, Miller and Tisdale.

In attendance: Mrs M J Mills – Town Clerk
Cllr Leather
Member of the public

1711/668 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr Berryman

1711/669 Chairman's announcements

Members were advised that the member of the public attending, wished to record the meeting.

1711/670 Declarations of interest

Members were reminded that all interests must be declared prior to the item being discussed.

1711/671 To agree the agenda between Part A and Part B (confidential information)

It was **resolved** to agree the agenda between Part A and Part B.
Proposed: Cllr Tisdale, Seconded: Cllr Miller (all in favour)

1711/672 To confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting held 16th October 2017 as a correct record

It was **resolved** to confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting held 16th October 2017 as a correct record
Proposed: Cllr Miller, Seconded: Cllr Brading (3 in favour 4 abstentions, not present at the meeting, 1 against)

1711/673 Action Points

It was **agreed** to note the Action Points

1711/674 Public Participation

Members of the public are permitted to make representations, answer questions and give evidence in respect of any item of business included in the agenda. Each member of the public is entitled to speak once only in respect of business itemised on the agenda and shall not speak for more than 3 minutes. The period of time which is designated for public participation in accordance with standing orders shall not exceed 15 minutes.

No members of the public wished to speak.

1711/675 To consider invoices for payment and financial reports

It was **resolved** to accept the invoices for payment and the financial reports.
Proposed: Cllr Sherborne, Seconded: Cllr Miller (majority in favour, 2 abstentions)

1711/676 To consider grant applications

Members declared interests as follows:

Cllr Edwards: Blue Lights Hall (22), North Devon Museum Trust (23), Appledore Visitors Association (33)

Cllr Himan: Twinning Association (11)

Cllr Durkin: Holy Trinity Church (10) Westward Ho! Community Association (17)

Cllr Brading: Citizens Advice (28) Steamship Freshspring Society (32)

Cllr Tisdale: Seize the Moment (36)

It was **resolved** to remove item 4 (Church Roof) and to take a proposal to Full Council that this should be included in the budget as a special donation.
Proposed: Cllr Brading, Seconded: Cllr Tisdale (all in favour)

It was further **resolved** to recommend to Full Council to pay the requested grant to applicant 7, with 4 votes in favour and 4 against. The Chairman used his casting vote in support.
Proposed: Cllr Sheborne, Seconded: Cllr Brading (see above)

It was further **resolved** to recommend to Full Council that the revised grant figures be accepted and the budget figure be revised to accommodate this.
Proposed: Cllr Sheborne, Seconded: Cllr Edwards (all in favour)

1711/677

To consider a draft budget for 2018-19

It was **resolved** to recommend to Full Council that the revised budget supplied to Members be accepted.

Proposed Cllr Sheborne, Seconded: Cllr Edwards (majority in favour, with one against and one abstention)

At this juncture Cllr Himan gave his apologies and left the meeting

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There being no further business the meeting closed at 12.45pm

Signed..... Dated

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