

FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MINUTES

MONDAY 11th NOVEMBER 2019

Present: Cllrs, Bailey, B Bayford, J Bayford, R Binks (Chair), R.K Binks, Buckley, Dexter, Garner, P Moore, W Moore, Rawf, Savage, D Saunders and M Saunders

Town Clerk: Town Clerk

Deputy Town Clerk: Christine Chappell

241 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Parsons

242 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

243 MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

RESOLVED to RECEIVE and APPROVE the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 16th September 2019. Proposed Cllr D Saunders, seconded Cllr P Moore, agreed.

244 MINUTES OF SUB-COMMITTEES and WORKING PARTIES

RESOLVED to RECEIVE the minutes of the following sub-committees and working parties:

Allotments and Land Sub-Committee held on the 28th October 2019 (unconfirmed)

Asset and Budget Review Sub-Committee held on the 14th October 2019 (unconfirmed)

245 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

None

246 CORRESPONDENCE and CONSULTATION RESPONSES

UPDATE from previous minutes: it was relayed to the Committee that BT had confirmed that the Reading Street Phonebox was on private land. Therefore, it was not available for adoption. It was also confirmed that Quex Park were not interested in storing the stagecoach, so alternative storage locations were being looked into. This would be relayed to the committee when available.

DISCUSSED that the Christmas tree light turn-on was really late this year. Therefore, it was AGREED that the High Street lighting should be turned on earlier, at the end of November. Town Councillors to provide their bank details if they do not want their allowance paid via cheque.

247 FINANCIAL MATTERS AND ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED to RECEIVE the periodic financial report for the period 21st September – 8th November 2019 and the budget comparison for the period the 1st April-8th November 2019.

248 SPRING FOOD FAIR

RESOLVED that the Spring Food Fair should not be held on the BSPTC owned part of Pierremont Park over the Easter weekend 2020.

Proposed Cllr R Binks, Seconded Cllr B Bayford, agreed. Cllr Bailey abstained from the vote.

249 GRANT BUDGET*

RESOLVED to RECOMMEND a grant budget of £50,000 for the 2020-2021 civic year. This budget to be a single budget, to cover event and civic grants. Proposed Cllr B Bayford, seconded Cllr D Saunders, agreed.

250 EVENTS MANAGER PIERREMONT HALL

RESOLVED to approve the job description and advert for the Events and Bookings Manager job, attached to these minutes.

RESOLVED that the job should have a period of 6 months probation, which should be set out in the successful applicant's contract.

RESOLVED that the selection and appointment of the suitable candidate is delegated to the Staff-Management sub-committee.

251 THANET COMMUNITY LAND TRUST STEERING GROUP

RESOLVED that Cllr Mike Garner represent BSPTC on the Thanet Community Land Trust Steering Group.

DISCUSSED that Cllr Mike Garner report back to the F&GP Committee what the TCLTSG is about and what involvement from BSPTC is required.

252 FINANCIAL REGULATIONS*

DEFERRED the update to the Financial Regulations, following the publication of the new model regulations from NALC, be deferred until the January meeting of the F&GP.

253 PROPOSED FORWARD AGENDA ITEMS

The date of the next meeting is Monday 27th January 2020, 7pm. Venue tbc.

Town Clerk Meeting closed at 7:38p.m.

Meeting was recorded: yes/no

Members of the public were present: yes/no Members of the press were present: yes/no