

GAINSBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of a Meeting of the Management and Finance Committee held at Richmond House, Morton Terrace, Gainsborough on Tuesday 18 July 2017 at 7:00pm

Present: Councillor Richard Craig (Chairman)

Councillor Dennis Dannatt
Councillor David Dobbie
Councillor Michael Hopper
Councillor Paul Key
Councillor Sally Loates (ex-officio)

In Attendance:

Matthew Gleadell Clerk to the Council
Rachel Allbones Deputy Clerk to the Council
Sean Alcock Operations Manager

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND REASONS GIVEN

Councillor Harry Clarke
Councillor Ashley Perraton-Williams

RESOLVED to accept the apologies received and reasons given.

2. TO RECEIVE MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCALISM ACT 2011 AND TO RECEIVE ANY APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION

Councillor Dobbie declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 9 as he was involved in getting the sculpture in the first place.

3. MINUTES (Paper A)

i. Minutes of the meeting of Management and Finance Committee held Tuesday 20 June 2017

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Management and Finance Committee meeting held on Tuesday 20 June 2017 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

Note: Councillors Craig, Dobbie and Key abstained from voting on the above resolution.

4. FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR JUNE & JULY 2017

i. Unpaid Expenditure Transactions for 12 July 2017 (Paper B)

Members considered at length Paper B & paper B revised.

RESOLVED that Members accept the transactions in Paper B revised - Unpaid Expenditure Transactions for 18 July 2017.

- ii. Cashbook Summary (including due and unpaid transactions) for 12 July 2017 (Paper C)

Members considered Paper C & Paper C Revised.

RESOLVED that Members note Paper C Revised - Cashbook Summary (including due and unpaid transactions) for 18 July 2017.

- iii. Budget Comparison Report (including due and unpaid transactions) for 12 July 2017 (Paper D)

RESOLVED that Members note Paper D Budget Comparison Report (including due and unpaid transactions) for 12 July 2017.

5. **MONTHLY BANK RECONCILIATION SIGN OFF FOR JUNE** (Papers E)

RESOLVED to accept and sign off the Bank Reconciliation for 30 June 2017.

6. **RECOMMENDATION FROM COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE**

RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND TO MANAGEMENT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE to :

1. Make appropriate budget provision in the 2018/2019 budget in order to carry out a similar event (Community / Armed Forces Day & Football Tournament) in 2018.
2. To undertake an immediate review of the future of the Football Development Officer post on the basis that the event could not go ahead without the dedicated officer support that has been provided by that Football Development Officer for the 2017 event, and ensure that appropriate officer support provision is available to support a 2018 event.

Note: The Clerk left the meeting at 7:32pm.

Members were of the view that part 2 of the recommendation was an issue for the Personnel Committee and also requested to see the income and expenditure breakdown for this years Community / Armed Forces Day before making any 2018/19 budget proposals.

RESOLVED to item 1 of the recommendation back to the next meeting along with income and expenditure breakdown for this years event, item 2 of the recommendation to be referred to the Personnel Committee

Note: The Clerk returned to the meeting at 8:04pm

7. **MARSHALLS BOWLS BOILER** (Paper F)

RESOLVED under Standing Order 14n to exclude the public and press.

RESOLVED to accept the quotation from Richmond's Plumbing and Heating for £1,390.00, as Members were of the view it was a better spec of boiler.

8. **BUS SHELTER MAINTENANCE** (Paper G)

Member considered the quotation received for bus shelter cleaning and maintenance.

RESOLVED to accept the quotation from Swallow Cleaning on the proviso that Full Council increase the budget from £250 to £900.

RESOLVED to RECOMMEND TO FULL COUNCIL to increase the bus shelter budget from £250 to £900 from general reserves.

9. SILVER STREET SCULPTURE (Paper H)

Members considered the quotation received for the repair works to the sculpture on Silver Street.

It was noted that there was no budget provision for the works.

RESOLVED to RECOMMEND TO FULL COUNCIL to create a budget of £759 from general reserves to carry out the repair works, in the mean time work out the insurance position with the sculpture and ask Wetherspoons and WLDC to see if there is any CCTV evidence to see if it was vandalism or weather that caused the damage.

Note: Councillor Hopper abstained from voting on the above resolution.

10. NEW GROUNDS MAINTENANCE VEHICLE (Paper I)

Members considered quotations received for new van in anticipation of expiry of existing lease hire contract.

RESOLVED to accept the quotation from Rivervale for a 3 year contract of a Ford Transit Custom 290 L2 2.0 TDCI 130ps, with a monthly rental of £291.50+vat.

11. TOWN CENTRE PIGEONS (Paper J)

Note: Councillor Key declared a non pecuniary interest as he is a WLDC employee.

Members considered the request from WLDC to contribute towards town centre pigeon control work.

Members were of the view that as the Town Council paid for the production of the report that West Lindsey District Council now need to act and pay for the implementation of a Hawking Programme.

RESOLVED to respond to WLDC advising that the Town Council are very keen to see the implementation of a Hawking Programme but feel that WLDC need to act and pay for this to take place.

Note: Councillor Hopper voted against the above resolution.

Note: Councillors Dobbie and Loates abstained from voting on the above resolution.

12. POLICY REVIEWS

The Clerk advised that both the Deputy Clerk and himself had sent out emails asking the Working Group to state how they wish to take the review forward but with no response.

It was suggested to set a date for a Policy Review Working Group and take it from there..

RESOLVED to call a meeting of the Policy Review Working Group and move forward from there.

13. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN & FUNDING (Paper K)

Note: Councillor Key declared a non pecuniary interest as a WLDC employee.

Members considered grants, income and funding for Neighbourhood Plan.

The Clerk informed Members that earlier assurances from WLDC of funding may not come to fruition which means a Green Infrastructure survey may not be carried out which would be a vital document.

The Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group are seeking support of £5,000 back up funding should the funding not come from elsewhere.

RESOLVED to RECOMMEND TO FULL COUNCIL to provide a £5,000 budget from general reserves to the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group to support a Green Infrastructure assessment should funding elsewhere not be forthcoming.

Note: Councillor Key abstained from voting on the above resolution.

Meeting closed at 9.10pm