

**MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, BITTON HOUSE ON TUESDAY,  
8<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2019 AT 6.30PM**

**Present:** Cllr. D. Matthews - Chairman  
Cllr. A. Eden - Vice-Chairman  
Cllr. P. Burgess  
Cllr. D. Cox  
Cllr. V.L. Fusco  
Cllr. J. Green  
Cllr. J. Orme  
Cllr. R. Phipps  
Cllr. E.S. Russell  
Cllr. P. Williams

**In attendance:** Ms. T. Higgs - Town Clerk  
Miss. A. Winston - PA to the Clerk  
Members of the Public and Press

**222. APOLOGIES**

Cllr. T. Falcão  
Cllr. J. Phillips

**223. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

The Chairman invited the Chairman of the Teignmouth Traders Association to speak.

The Chairman of the Teignmouth Traders Association spoke regarding the public conveniences and requested that the council look at undertaking preventative work so that the public conveniences do not have to be closed due to maintenance issues. He asked whether the council has considered introducing a charge. He also asked whether the public conveniences can be opened earlier on the days when ParkRun is taking place.

The Clerk responded that she had contacted the ParkRun Committee in October 2018 with regards to the opening time and was awaiting a reply. The Clerk reminded members of the cost of running the public conveniences and asked Councillors to bear this in mind at the budget meeting. Cllr Burgess suggested opening the disabled toilet as a halfway solution on ParkRun days.

The Chairman said the public conveniences working group will be meeting soon and encouraged members to attend.

**224. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

As existing declared interest by those in attendance.

## **225. DISPENSATIONS**

There were none.

## **226. MATTERS OF URGENCY BROUGHT FORWARD BY THE CHAIRMAN (IF ANY)**

There were none.

## **227. CLERK'S REPORT**

- a. The Clerk conveyed a Happy New Year to everyone.
- b. Reminded Councillors that there is a budget meeting on Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> January 2019.
- c. Reminded Councillors that the Neighbourhood Plan steering group meeting is on Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> January 2019.

## **228. TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 11<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2018**

The Chairman presented the Minutes.

**At Minute number 214** - Cllr Burgess asked if the money for the Friends of Teignmouth Library had been issued and the Clerk replied that she will check.

**The Minutes were seconded by Cllr Fusco and unanimously agreed.**

## **229. TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2018**

Cllr Green presented the Minutes.

**At Minute number 44** - Cllr Russell said there is an anomaly as there was a mix-up with applications at Teignbridge District Council which has been resolved. Application ii should be removed and only application x kept. A note will be put on the Minutes to reflect this.

Cllr Fusco declared an interest in application xiii.

**It was unanimously agreed that the Minutes are noted.**

### **230. TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 20<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2018**

Cllr Green presented the Minutes.

**At Minute number 56** – Cllr Burgess asked if it is two separate applications and Cllr Green replied that it is.

The Chairman asked about the application for 8 Hillside Close as a few people had contacted him and he suggested putting the application on category B. The Clerk said Teignbridge District Councillors are able to submit a category B form, they do not need to be a member of the Planning Committee.

**As the meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> December 2018 was not quorate, Cllr Green proposed to approve the Minutes, seconded by Cllr Russell and unanimously agreed.**

### **231. COMMUNITIES TOGETHER FUND**

Cllr Cox presented the report.

Cllr Cox declared an interest regarding HITS and Cllr Matthews declared an interest regarding the Kingsway Residents Association.

Cllr Cox proposed to accept the report and approve the recommendations as presented, seconded by Cllr Eden and unanimously agreed.

### **232. COMMUNITY CONNECTOR**

Cllr Cox presented the report and said the role of a Community Connector is happening in other parts in Teignbridge.

Councillors asked questions.

Cllr Cox proposed the council funds the salary of a Community Connector for three months, seconded by Cllr Green and unanimously agreed.

### **233. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

The Accounts for Payment were presented.

Cllr Cox proposed that Accounts for Payment in the sum of £14,716.87 be approved and paid, seconded by Cllr Phipps and unanimously agreed.

**234. 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.

The meeting closed at 7.37pm.

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**COUNCILLOR D MATTHEWS**  
**CHAIRMAN**

Bitton House, Teignmouth  
10<sup>th</sup> January 2019