



Minutes – Finance & Operations Committee

Minutes of the virtual meeting held at 6.30pm on Monday 2nd November 2020

Present: Cllrs Byfield (Chair), Arthur, Bowers, Higgins, Trevethan, White and Yeo.

In attendance: Tatiana Cant (Parish Clerk), Rebecca Harrod (Finance Officer), and Cllrs Boston, Gaisford, Lawrence, Rogers and Silvey and 2 members of the public

Public Participation

Members of the Rugby Club commented on the ongoing planning application relating to a new clubhouse and cycle hub and reported that the Football Club was supportive of the plans.

088/20/F&O Apologies

There were no apologies.

089/20/F&O Declarations of interest and dispensations granted

There were no declarations of interest. No dispensations had been granted.

090/20/F&O Approval of minutes

The minutes of the committee meeting held on 5th October 2020 were agreed as a true and accurate record.

091/20/F&O Action List

Members noted updates to the Action List. The only outstanding item related to researching savings accounts.

092/20/F&O Property rent collection

A letter had been received from the Treasurer of the Rugby Club stating the considerable impact of the Covid situation on their income and requesting a rent reduction. It was AGREED with one abstention to write off two collections of quarterly rent, ie £500.

It was further noted that the Rugby Club had successfully managed the car park during the high season as agreed, and that 25% of the net income would be passed to the parish council, ie just over £1,000.

There were no further updates on rent collection arrangements from other properties.

093/20/F&O Management Report on the Library

The Clerk reported that there was currently uncertainty regarding opening arrangements for the library given the very recent announcement by the Prime Minister of a further lockdown. The council would operate in line with national guidance and in consultation with Cornwall Council Libraries.

094/20/F&O Update on 8 Boscawen Road Project

The working group was still awaiting the final version of the planning permission documentation to be sent through so that they could discuss and agree a recommendation to council. This would be chased.

095/20/F&O Car park management arrangements

There were no issues to report relating to Droskyn car park which had now been closed (with the usual exception of a small number of places for permit holders) until the start of next year's season.

096/20/F&O Beach bin emptying costs

The council had received an invoice from the Watering Hole relating to emptying dog bins on the beach. This showed an increase in cost per bin and had been backdated. Members wished to discuss future costs as part of the budgeting process and would require 3 months notice for any increase and would not accept backdating. Further members felt that this matter should be discussed as part of the ongoing negotiation regarding beach cleaning, and it was AGREED to communicate this with the Watering Hole and underline the need for a comprehensive discussion to resolve the beach cleaning issue quickly.

097/20/F&O To respond to a request from Slous Café

A request had been received from Slous Café to store their café/container at Cligga. It was AGREED to grant permission for Slous Café to store their unit at Cligga and to charge £5 per week.

098/20/F&O Items of Correspondence

There were no significant items of correspondence requiring members' attention at this time.

099/20/F&O Date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting was noted: 6pm on Monday 7th December.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.38pm.

Signed

Date: 7th December 2020