

DOVER TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE held in the Council Offices, Maison Dieu House, Biggin Street, Dover on Wednesday 14th March 2018 at 6pm.

PRESENT

Councillor Walkden - Chairman

Councillor Cowan

Councillor Jenner

Councillor Lamoon

Councillor Palmer

Councillor Precious

Councillor Rix (Town Mayor - ex-officio)

Councillor Warriner

Councillor Ward

Councillor Palmer

Councillor Sansum

434. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies for absence were received.

435. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members present made no declarations of disclosable pecuniary and/or other interests as required by law.

436. MINUTES

The Committee considered the minutes of the meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held on 6th September 2017.

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held on 22nd November 2017 be received as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

437. TOWN COUNCIL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The Committee noted the schedules of payments made by the Town Council during November and December 2017 were approved at the Town Council's meeting on 28th February 2018 together with the budget out-turn to January 2018.

The Committee considered the schedules of payments made by the Town Council during February 2018 (handed out at the meeting).



The Committee noted the RFO's update on the council investment plan.

RESOLVED:

That the schedules of payments made by the Town Council during February 2018 be laid before the next meeting of the Town Council in accordance with Standing Order 3(x);

438. PROGRESS SHEETS

The Committee noted that there are no outstanding items concerning resolutions made by the Finance & General Purposes Committee during 2017/18.

439. COUNCILLORS WARD GRANTS

The Committee noted the current situation concerning Councillors Ward Grants (Information handed out at the meeting).

440. GOVERNANCE & ACCOUNTABILITY

The Committee noted that Councillor Sansum had withdrawn his motion before item 1.

The Committee considered a further review of Standing Orders and Committee Delegations with a view to setting up a working group or sub-committee to prepare amendments.

RESOLVED:

That a Standing Orders Working Group be set up comprising members of the F&GP Committee. All other Councillors would be invited to attend the Working Group meetings. Final recommendations to be put before the next appropriate Full Town Council meeting to have the opportunity to agree or amend those recommendations

441. ELECTORAL REVIEW OF DOVER: WARDING ARRANGEMENTS

The Committee noted the Local Government Boundary Commission for England's letter of 30th January 2018 concerning Electoral Review of Dover: Warding Arrangements. A request for responses will be put into the weekly bulletin. The Town Clerk will make a response from the Town Council if a majority of Councillors have submitted comments by 1st April 2018.

Councillor Rix left the meeting at 6.51pm and returned at 6.55pm.

442. INFORMATION ITEMS

There were no items of information regarding the Committee's responsibilities

Councillor Cowan left the meeting at 6.56pm and returned at 6.57pm.

The meeting closed at 7.02pm.

Councillor R Walkden CHAIRMAN

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