

## **PADSTOW TOWN COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting held on Tuesday 21 November 2017 at 7.07 pm in the Council Office, Station House, Station Road, Padstow.**

**Present:** Councillors R Higman (Chairman), R Buscombe, K Freeman, A Rickard, and Mrs A E Symons

**In Attendance:** Mrs K Pemberton (Town Clerk), Mrs N Barnes (Responsible Financial Officer), Mrs S Daly (Support Officer and Minute Taker) and Councillor H M Saunders

**2017/17 Apologies:** were received from Councillors F J Bealing, Mrs T Walter and C Watson-Smyth

**2017/18 Announcements:** None.

**2017/19 Declarations of Interest:** None.

**2017/20 Public Participation:** None.

**2017/21 Minutes Tuesday 18 July 2017: RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 18 July 2017 were a true record of the meeting and they were signed by the chair.

**2017/22 Budget Report 2017-18:** Committee were referred to the report and it was noted for information.

**2017/23 Budget 2018-19:** Committee discussed the papers for consideration and recommendation on to Full Council.

There was a brief discussion concerning Members Allowance; this was not considered necessary for 2018/19.

In response to a member query, the Town Clerk clarified that the Leisure Tourism and Open Spaces Committee request for Leisure Centre Investigation fees could impact on the Lawns Car Park Improvements. This may be seen in a delay to works commencing if both projects were taken together. She further clarified that it would not be possible to join the improvement works with the skate park project as the skate park project was in progress. A contractor was appointed and it was now going through planning.

Mention was made that car park improvement works could progress alone however, it was noted it may be prudent that any works in the area be carried out in conjunction with each other as one design could impact the other and cost savings. It was also considered that any improvement works, particularly surfacing, could become damaged if carried out before any leisure projects.

In general committee were supportive of budget recommendations and the updated Business Plan.

A precept was discussed; it was noted that the 2018-19 budget did not demonstrate a need to set a precept this year.

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL THAT**

- a) no Member Allowance be set for 2018-19.
- b) the draft budget 2018-19 be approved;
- c) the updated Business Plan be approved; and
- d) no precept be set for 2018-19

**2017/24** **Date of next meeting:** 20 February 2018 at 7.00 pm (Grants) was noted

Meeting closed at 7.21 pm.