

FALMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on Monday 6th July 2009 in the Council Chamber, Municipal Buildings, Falmouth at 7:00 pm.

Present: Councillors G F Evans (Chairman), A K Ayres, Mrs A J Biggins, Mrs J E Booth, Mrs M Davies, B Elliott, S D Eva, Mrs V E Eva, Ms D E Merrett, D Noakes, Mrs M Ryan and Dr D A Sterratt

In Attendance: A M Williams (Town Clerk)
S J Polglase (Deputy Town Clerk and Finance Officer)

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F3730 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received and approved from Councillor Body (holiday), Chin-Quee (ill) and Cramp (holiday)

F3731 **INTERESTS**

Councillor Mrs Biggins declared an interest in F3747 (Falmouth Oyster Festival) and F3733 (Falmouth Shore-side Week) as she was related to one of the partners of Falmouth Festivals Ltd, she did not speak or vote thereon.

F3732 **MINUTES**

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Davies, seconded by Councillor Mrs V E Eva and

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 1st June 2009 be confirmed as a correct record of the proceedings and signed by the Chairman.

F3733 **GRANTS**

It was proposed by Councillor Evans, seconded by Councillor Mrs Davies and

RESOLVED that as the supporting evidence for the Oyster Festival grant request contained commercially sensitive information it was deferred for consideration in Part II of the meeting

It was proposed by Councillor Ms V E Eva, seconded by Councillor S D Eva and

RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 145 of the Local Government Act 1972 the Falmouth Week Shore-side Working Group be granted £1,000 towards the 2009 Falmouth Week event and for the specific activities described in the application. Further the applicant be advised to seek further financial assistance from the Falmouth and District Hotels Association.

A MOTION by Councillor Noakes to grant £750 was not seconded.

F3734 **ANNUAL REPORT**

It was proposed by Councillor Sterratt, seconded by Councillor Noakes and

RESOLVED that the published report by noted and endorsed.

F3735 **CAPTIAL WORKS – RESURFACING AT KIMBERLEY PARK AND FALMOUTH CEMETERY**

It was proposed by Councillor Sterratt, seconded by Councillor Mrs V E Eva and

RESOLVED that pursuant to Minute F3729 the amended contract specification be endorsed.

F3736 **MOTION BY COUNICLLOR BODY – REGISTER OF INTERESTS**

It was proposed by Councillor Evans, seconded by Councillor Mrs Biggins and

RESOLVED that as current Councillor Register of Interest are declared and are returned they are published on the Council's website.

F3737 **MOTION BY COUNILLOR NOAKES – OPEN AIR POOL**

Councillor Noakes had moved a to establish the feasibility of developing a fifty-metre tidal-pool on the plateau of rocks between Gyllyngvase and Swanpool. This was withdrawn following debate. It was felt to be an unviable scheme given cost and environmental considerations.

F3738 **MOTION BY COUNICLLOR NOAKES – WATERFRONT ACCESS**

It was proposed by Councillor Noakes, seconded by Councillor S D Eva and

RESOLVED that

- (i) the Council adopts a general policy to seek to safeguard waterside sites for maritime use and protect and enhance public access to the shoreline, harbour, waterfront and beaches; and
- (ii) the Planning Committee be recommended to consider developing a Supplementary Planning Directive to ensure public access is provided/retained for waterfront development proposals.

The Chairman of the Planning Committee agreed to report this matter to her Committee.

F3739 **COUNCIL VAN**

It was proposed by Councillor Sterratt, seconded by Councillor S D Eva and

RESVOLED that the Town Clerk be delegated in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chair to expeditiously acquire a replacement van for the Council from General Fund Reserve.

F3740 **CLAIMING MONIES FROM PLANNING SECTION 106 AGREEMENTS**

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Biggins, seconded by Councillor Mrs V E Eva and

RESOLVED that given the queries raised by the Council over the allocation of monies the Cornwall Council Enforcement/Section 106 Monitoring Officer be requested to present to a future meeting.

F3741 **TOWN COUNCIL MARQUEE**

The Town Clerk reported damage to the marquee and recommended that a more fit for purpose marquee be acquired.

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs V E Eva, seconded by Councillor Noakes and

RESOLVED that the Council looks to rent a marquee as and when required.

A MOTION by Councillor S D Eva, seconded by Councillor Mrs Ryan that the current marquee is not repaired and that no new marquee be acquired was withdrawn.

F3742 **LOCALISM PROVISION**

The Council was pleased to note the seconded officer support by Cornwall Council to the Cornwall Association of Local Councils.

F3743 **FALMOUTH PORT DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE**

The update report from the Chairman of the Falmouth Harbour Commissioners was duly noted.

F3744 **ACCOUNTS AND PETTY CASH**

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs V E Eva, seconded by Councillor Noakes and

RESOLVED that the Accounts and Petty Cash Schedules (attached) for May and June 2009 be approved.

F3745 **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs V E Eva, seconded by Councillor Noakes and

RESOLVED that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the public and press be excluded from the meeting.