FALMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on Monday 11th October 2010 in the Council Chamber, Municipal Buildings, Falmouth at 7:00 pm.

Present: Councillors Dr D A Sterratt (Chairman), A K Ayres (Vice Chairman), Mrs A J Biggins,

I J Body, Mrs J A Booth, G W Chin-Quee, C H Choak, O K Cramp, Mrs M Davies,

Ms D E Merrett, A J Jewell, D M O'Brien and Mrs M Ryan

In Attendance: A M Williams (Town Clerk)

Mrs R N Thomas (Finance Officer)

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F3893 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received and approved from Councillors Evans (Art Gallery Business) and Saunby (residents meeting).

F3894 INTERESTS

Councillors Body and Jewell declared an interest in (Minute F3907) Falmouth Tourist Information Centre and both left the meeting during the consideration thereof. Councillor Body's spouse worked for Cornwall Development Company and Councillor Jewell was a tourism provider.

F3895 MINUTES

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

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 13th September 2010 Part I be confirmed as a correct record of the proceedings and signed by the Chairman.

F3896 GRANT APPLICATIONS

It was proposed by Councillor Body, seconded by Councillor Chin-Quee and

RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 137 of the Local Government Act, 1972 the Fal Fibro Friends be granted £125 towards the cost of a fund raising event for the minibus appeal.

It was proposed by Councillor Ms Merrett, seconded by Councillor Mrs Ryan and

RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 145 of the Local Government Act, 1972 the Young Generation be granted £200 towards the production costs of "Sweeney Todd Shock and Roll Show" at the Poly in August 2011.

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

RESOLVED that no grant be made towards the Falmouth and Penryn Community Radio to run Community Workshops.

A MOTION by Councillor Ms Merrett and seconded by Councillor Chin-Quee that a grant of £400 be made was defeated.

A MOTION by Councillor Ayres that a grant of £1000 be made was not seconded.

The Chairman advised the Committee that he would shortly circulate his proposals for a rationalisation of small grants awards for consideration.

F3897 KIMBERLEY PARK WORKING PARTY

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

RESOLVED that the minutes and recommendations of the Working Party held on 29th September 2010 be approved subject to the amendment of recommendation KP55(ii) to include "subject to annual review".

F3898 TRESCOBEAS WORKING PARTY

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

RESOLVED that the minutes and recommendations of the Working Party held on 28th September 2010 be approved.

F3899 GOVERNMENT CONSULTATIONS: LOCAL REFERENDA, CAPPING ETC

It was proposed by Councillor Chin-Quee, seconded by Councillor Mrs Biggins and

RESOLVED that the Council supports the representations made to the Department of Communities and Local Government by the Cornwall Association of Local Government in respect of Local Referenda, and request Mrs Sarah Newton MP to support the response.

F3900 CODE OF CONDUCT TRAINING

The Town Clerk reminded Councillors of the need for Code of Conduct training for recently elected Councillors and as a refresher for others. There was an event on 28th October 2010. He also reminded Councillors of the outstanding recommendation from the Standards Committee regarding Code of Conduct and Planning training.

Further he advised that Councillors should ensure that Declarations of Registrable Interests are current.

The reports were duly noted.

F3901 CCTV STAKEHOLDERS

The Town Clerk reported upon the as yet undetermined Cornwall Council review of CCTV provision.

It was proposed by Councillor Ms Merrett, seconded by Councillor Ayres and

RESOLVED that the report be noted and the Council assumes that the usual financial contribution towards 2011/12 provision is applicable for the purposes of budget setting.

F3902 GYLLYNGVASE BEACH STAKEHOLDERS GROUP

The Town Clerk reported upon the formation of the Group and the discussion of the issues. The minutes of the Group would be circulated in due course.

F3903 2011/12 DRAFT BUDGET AND PRECEPT CALL

The Chairman reported upon a recommended draft budget proposal for 2011/12 that was circulated and forms part of these minutes. He thanked the Finance Officer for her assistance.

It was proposed by Councillor Sterratt, seconded by Councillor Ms Merrett and

RESOLVED that the Council agrees the Chairman's recommendations in principle as the draft budget for 2011/12 that required a 0% increase in precept call, that should be confirmed by the Council on 6th December 2010 to then duly notify the precept call.

F3904 ACCOUNTS AND PETTY CASH

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

RESOLVED that the Accounts and Petty Cash Schedules (attached) for September 2010 be approved.

F 3905 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was proposed by Councillor Body, seconded by Councillor Mrs Davies 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.