

DRAFT MINUTES

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF FOWEY TOWN COUNCIL FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 31st JANUARY 2022 IN FOWEY TOWN HALL AT 5pm

Present Cllr J Berryman (Chairman), Cllr Mrs R Cooke, Cllr A Dellow,
Cllr P Hughes, Cllr Mrs L Simms (Mayor, *ex officio*)

In attendance The Town Clerk, Sally Vincent

21/25 Apologies None

21/26 Declaration of Interests

- a. Pecuniary – None
- b. Non Registerable – None.
- c. Dispensations - None

21/27 Public Questions

None

21/28 Minutes of Meeting of 25th November 2021

Proposed Cllr Hughes, seconded Cllr Simms and RESOLVED that the minutes be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

21/29 Matters Arising (for report only)

None

21/30 Trafalgar Square, Town Quay, Market Street & Webb Street Road Closures

Members had met with the business owners benefitting the most from these closures prior to the meeting and they had committed to covering the majority of the cost of implementing this scheme. They had raised some concerns that CC Pavement Licenses are only issued on an annual basis but recognized that FTC has no control over this. However, members recorded that they were supportive of the arrangements for these two businesses continuing in the future. Cllr Simms proposed, Cllr Dellow seconded and it was RESOLVED that the scheme should be progressed with the small shortfall in funding met from the traffic calming budget.

21/31 Town Quay Leases & Licences

It was proposed by Cllr Berryman, seconded Cllr Simms and RESOLVED that this item should be moved into Closed Session due to business sensitivity.

21/32 Town Hall Lighting

Cllr Dellow confirmed the cost of lighting improvements in the main Hall, the entrance stairway, the landing and the WC's would be £8672.21, although he noted that there could be some additional unanticipated hidden costs. Cllr Berryman proposed, Cllr Hughes seconded

and it was RESOLVED that this work should be commissioned and any shortfall in the Town Hall budget should be met from reserves. It was agreed that Troy Players should be asked to remove their lighting equipment from the Hall within 14 days

21/33 Webb Street Car Park

Commercial waste bins were still being sited without permission in Webb Street car park despite instructions being given by the Town Clerk that they must be removed following a fire safety inspection. Members agreed that the only option left to try to control this would be to erect a physical barrier along the side of the right of way to the Tarquins Gin shop. Cllr Berryman reported that suitable galvanized hooped railings and a gate and padlock would cost iro £700, plus the cost of fitting. It was proposed by Cllr Hughes, seconded Cllr Cooke and RESOLVED that this work should be commissioned immediately as the problem was likely to escalate further at the start of the summer season.

21/34 Review 2021/2022 Budget

A budget tracking report to the end of November had been supplied by the Town Clerk prior to the meeting, together with a copy of the cash book. Having studied these figures members concluded that there were no matters of particular concern apart from a potential small shortfall in the Environment Committee budget. Cllr Berryman proposed, Cllr Cooke seconded and it was RESOLVED that this should be met from reserves if necessary.

21/35 Matters Considered Urgent by the Chairman

None

The Press and Public were excluded from the meeting in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, during consideration of the following business on the grounds that it would be likely to involve the disclosure of exempt information of the following description – business sensitivity