

# MARYPORT TOWN COUNCIL

**Minutes of the meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held on Monday 14 August 2017 in the Council Chambers, Town Hall, Maryport at 7.00pm.**

## Present

<b>Councillor S Ashworth</b>	<b>Councillor B Carter</b>
<b>Councillor Mrs A Kendall</b>	<b>Councillor P Kendall</b>
<b>Councillor Mrs C McCarron Holmes</b>	<b>Councillor Ms N Shaw</b>
<b>Councillor Ms S Stamper</b>	<b>Councillor Ms C Tindall (Chairman)</b>
<b>Councillor Mrs J Wood</b>	

## In Attendance

**Mr P Bramley (Clerk)**  
**Mrs V Patterson (press)**

Prior to the commencement of the meeting, members held a minute's silence in tribute to Mr W Richardson, a resident of Maryport who had sadly died following an attack in the previous week in the vicinity of the Town Hall.

The Chairman welcomed recently co-opted member Councillor Ms N Shaw to her first meeting & invited her to introduce herself to members.

### **19/17 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors W Pegram, Mrs L Radcliffe & M Wood.

### **20/17 Declarations of Interest**

None received.

### **21/17 Requests for Dispensations**

None received.

### **22/17 Minutes of Meeting held on 12 June 2017**

**Resolved** that the minutes of the meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held on 12 June 2017 be confirmed as a correct record & signed by the Chairman.

### **23/17 Correspondence**

**Resolved** that the schedule of correspondence be received & noted, & that:

- 1) A grant of £250 be awarded to Maryport Amateur Football Club towards the costs of new equipment & training.
- 2) A grant of £250 be awarded to Maryport Amateur Operatic & Drama Society towards the hire costs of the Theatre Royal for three performances of a senior & junior concert.
- 3) A grant of £250 be awarded to Netherhall Football Club towards the costs of equipment, medical supplies, training & match-day expenses.

### **24/17 Accounts for Payment**

**Resolved** that accounts for payment, in accordance with the schedule, totalling £40,580.30, be agreed.

### **25/17 Police Report**

A written report was received from PCSO Laura Tyson.

**Resolved** that the report be noted & that:

- 1) The Council contact Cumbria Police Commissioner to request Cumbria Police to reinstate cctv coverage of Maryport town centre areas.
- 2) The Council invite the Chairman of the Police & Crime Panel to attend a meeting of the Council to explain how funding was allocated, given particular concerns with the removal of services in the town.
- 3) The Council request Cumbria Association of Local Councils to contact the government on behalf of local councils expressing concerns at the reduction in Police on the streets.

### **26/17 Finance Report**

**Resolved** that:

- 1) The Finance Report for the period 1 April to 31 July 2017 be agreed.
- 2) The following transfers from reserves be agreed:
  - a) A transfer of £3,550 from the Elections Reserve to meet the cost of Allerdale Borough Council administering the 2015 Election.
  - b) A transfer of £1,420 from the Building & Maintenance Reserve to meet the cost of Well Lane gate.
  - c) A transfer from the Allerdale Community Funding Reserve of £3,050 to meet the cost of repairs to Pigeon Well Lanning.
  - d) A transfer of £900 from the Christmas Lights Reserve to meet the cost of new lights.
  - e) A transfer of £1,700 from the Building & Maintenance Reserve to meet the cost of the provision of a new bus shelter at Fothergill, Flimby.

### **27/17 Christmas Lights Switch-on Arrangements**

**Resolved** that the Council investigate the costs of extending its LED lights & of replacing old lights for its Christmas Lights Switch-on to be held on 18 November 2017.

### **28/17 Enforcement**

**Resolved** that the Town Council contact Allerdale Borough Council regarding concerns with the lack of enforcement of services for which it was responsible.

### **29/17 Allerdale Borough Council Community Grant**

**Resolved** that the Council support the application of Allerdale Borough Council Community Grant in 2017/18 towards the cost of improving the public realm through provision of suitable displays at the entrances to Maryport & Flimby.

### **30/17 Review of Council Business Strategy**

**Resolved** that the updates proposed to the Council's Business Strategy by the Business Strategy Working Party be agreed & the Strategy updated accordingly.

### **31/17 Beach Clean**

**Resolved** that the Council seek to participate in the national annual beach clean in September 2017, seeking assistance & contributions from local organisations & businesses.

### **32/17 Recycling**

**Resolved** that the Council contact the Refill Campaign & ascertain what its method of operation is, with a view to participating in a scheme to reduce the number of plastic bottles in the public arena.

### **33/17 Bus Shelter**

**Resolved** that the Council investigate the costs of providing a bus shelter at the Netherdale bus stop on the A594.

### **34/17 Maryport Veterans' Poppy Boat Memorial**

**Resolved** that:

- 1) The boat recently installed on Senhouse Street, Maryport, be recognised as the Maryport Veterans' Poppy Boat Memorial.
- 2) The Town Council seek to take on ownership of the boat from Cumbria County Council.
- 3) A plaque recognising the contribution of Lakes College students towards the design & construction of the boat, & recording its official opening by the Chairman, be installed at the site.
- 4) Councillor Mrs C McCarron Holmes be thanked for her efforts in arranging the provision of the boat.

### **35/17 Items for Next Agenda**

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| 1) Report on grant provision to date 2017/18 | Mrs C McCarron Holmes |
| 2) Improving engagement with local bodies    | Ms N Shaw             |

Following the conclusion of the meeting, a meeting of the Planning & Economic Development Committee took place.

Signed .....

Chairman

Date .....