

MARYPORT TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held on Monday 24 August 2020 in the Council Chambers, Town Hall, Maryport & virtually, as permitted by The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 (“the 2020 Regulations”), at 7.00pm.

Present

Councillor S Ashworth	Councillor G Hampson
Councillor Mrs A Kendall (Sub Chairman)	Councillor P Kendall
Councillor D King	Councillor P Mallyon
Councillor Mrs C McCarron Holmes	Councillor W Pegram
Councillor D Porthouse	Councillor Mrs L Radcliffe
Councillor Ms C Slater	Councillor Ms S Stamper
Councillor Ms K Thompson (Chairman)	

In Attendance

P Bramley, (Clerk)
Mrs L Douglas, (Clerk)

14/20 Apologies for Absence

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Ms C Tindall.

15/20 Declarations of Interest

Declarations of interest were received from Councillor G Hampson, Item 8(4), Personal as a member of Maryport Inshore Rescue; & Mrs L Douglas, Clerk, Item 8(4), Personal as a member of Maryport AFC.

16/20 Requests for Dispensation

None received.

17/20 Minutes of Meeting held on 20 July 2020

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on the 20 July 2020 be agreed & signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

18/20 Chairman

Resolved that following the loss of virtual attendance of Councillor Ms K Thompson, Councillor Mrs A Kendall be elected as Chairman for the remainder of the meeting.

19/20 Correspondence

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

- 1) Kaleidoscope Art Group be awarded with a grant of £250 towards the costs of funding a teacher & advertising.
- 2) Further to Allerdale Borough Council's decision to rescind proposals to transfer the annual maintenance costs of footway lighting to local councils from 1 April 2020, & its replacement proposal to transfer the costs of the electricity supply for such lights from 1 April 2021, & the supply of information of the number of lights in Flimby, Maryport & Thane Ville:
 - a) Cumbria County Council be requested to provide information of number & location of footway lights in the Maryport & Flimby areas.
 - b) Allerdale Borough Council be requested to provide information on the location of footway lights in its records.
 - c) Provision be made in the 2020/21 Budget for the cost of electricity for footway lighting such as can be determined from the available information.
- 3) Theas Thousand be awarded a grant of £250 towards the cost of support for the cycle ride from Land's End to John O'Groats to raise money for the Tiny Lives Charity.
- 4) Members provide the Clerks with their comments on the Allerdale Borough Council Dog Fouling Survey by 4 September for submission to Allerdale.
- 5) Cumbria Association of Local Councils' Interim Position Statement on Local Government Reorganisation in Cumbria be considered under item 8(9).

20/20 Accounts for Payment

Resolved that accounts for payment, in accordance with the schedule, totalling £11,407.34, be agreed.

21/20 High Consequence Infectious Disease Policy

Resolved that Council's High Consequence Infectious Disease Policy be ratified.

22/20 Finance Report

Resolved that the Finance Report for the period 1 April to 31 July 2020 be agreed.

23/20 Christmas Lights Switch-on 2020

Resolved that members submit proposals for the Christmas Lights Switch-on 2020 & alternative arrangements by 4 September for consideration at the next meeting.

24/20 Grants

Resolved that:

- 1) The following grant awards be made following the receipt of statements of application of 2019/20 grants:
 - a) Maryport Harbour Authority, £7,500
 - b) Citizens' Advice Bureau, £1,000
 - c) Maryport Inshore Rescue, £500
 - d) Maryport Maritime Museum, £500
 - e) Netherhall School, £500
- 2) The following grant awards be made following receipt of applications for grant funding:
 - a) Netherhall School, £1,000 towards Sports Team Kits & Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme Tents
 - b) Maryport Sea Cadets, £4,000 towards the Sea Cadet Base Operational costs.
 - c) Maryport Amateur Football Club, £5,000 towards construction of an Equipment Store at Ennerdale Road Football Pitch.
 - d) Flimby Over-60's Club, £1,000 towards meal provision for respective Flimby residents during the coronavirus pandemic.
 - e) 1st Flimby Girls' Brigade, £1,000 towards Unit Insurance costs.
 - f) Netherhall Rugby Union Football Club, £500 towards Ground Maintenance costs.
 - g) Owl Blue Charity, £2,000 towards Annual Amenity running costs for the Wood Street office.
- 3) Further information be requested from the following organisations:
 - a) Senhouse Museum, application of grant awarded in 2018/19.
 - b) Allerdale Occupational & Social Centre, proposed location of & arrangements for support for Maryport residents.
 - c) Maryport RLFC, confirmation in due course of the taking place or otherwise of the Firework Display Event.
- 4) It be noted that, as a result of the coronavirus pandemic, planned events & proposed application of grants had either been cancelled or were, in the Council's view, unlikely to take place, & as such, funding requested would not be required.

25/20 Defibrillators in Maryport

Resolved that information on the location of defibrillators in Maryport & Flimby be sought from the North Cumbria Ambulance Service & consideration to the suitability & adequacy of such provision be given at the next meeting.

26/20 Shiver Me Timbers Grant

Resolved that a grant payment of £5,000 for Maryport Aquarium to enable maintenance work to be carried out to facilitate the re-opening on Shiver Me Timbers be ratified.

27/20 Great British September Clean

Resolved that Councillor Ms C Slater be authorised to develop arrangements for the Council to take part in the Great British September Clean.

28/20 Vehicle Speeding in Maryport

Resolved that the Council seek a meeting with Cumbria Police & Cumbria Highways to enable members to discuss their concerns with vehicle speeding in the area.

29/20 Local Government Reorganisation in Cumbria

Resolved that proposals developed by Councillor S Ashworth be agreed & submitted to Cumbria Association of Local Councils.

30/20 School Opening Arrangements

Resolved that Councillor D Porthouse contact Maryport & Flimby Schools to ascertain what assistance the Town Council may be able to provide in respect of schools re-opening in September & given the coronavirus pandemic impact on arrangements.

31/20 Items for the Next Agenda

None requested.

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

Signed

Chairman

Date