

MARYPORT TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held on Monday 5 August 2019 in the Council Chambers, Town Hall, Maryport at 7.00pm.

Present

Councillor S Ashworth	Councillor Mrs A Kendall
Councillor P Kendall	Councillor D King
Councillor Mrs C McCarron Holmes	Councillor J Newton
Councillor Mrs L Radcliffe	Councillor Ms C Slater
Councillor Ms S Stamper	Councillor Ms K Thompson
Councillor Ms C Tindall (Chairman)	

In Attendance

Mr P Bramley (Clerk)
Mrs L Douglas (Clerk)
Mrs V Patterson (Press)

17/19 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors B Carter, G Hampson, P Mallyon, W Pegram, Mrs J Wood & M Wood.

18/19 Declarations of Interest

Declarations of interest were received from: Councillor P Kendall, Item 6(8), recipient of a Cumbria County Council pension; Councillor Mrs C McCarron Holmes, Item 8(5) as a member of Allerdale Borough Council Scrutiny Committee & Item 8(8), member of Allerdale Borough Council; & Councillor Ms C Slater, Item 5(4), member of the organising committee for the 'Ragged Trousered Philanthropists' production.

19/19 Requests for Dispensation

A request to speak on Item 5(4), if deemed necessary, was received from Councillor Ms C Slater.

Resolved that the request be agreed.

20/19 Minutes of Meeting held on 10 June 2019

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held on 10 June 2019 be confirmed as a correct record & signed by the Chairman.

21/19 Correspondence

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

- 1) A grant of £1,000 be made to Maryport Bowling Club to support the provision of an ongoing bowling course for young people.
- 2) In respect of the Cumbria County Council Working Together Service, a list of relevant Council & other organisations' contact numbers be put in place for members.
- 3) The request for the Flimby Churchyard wall to be repaired, submitted by St Nicholas' Church Council to Allerdale Borough Council, be supported.
- 4) A grant of £250 be made to Castle Hill Trust to support the Townsend Theatre production of 'The Ragged Trousered Philanthropists' on 9 November.
- 5) The Council support, in principle, the provision of a contribution of £4,000 towards planned improvements to seating on Maryport Promenade by Allerdale Borough Council through its Maryport Regeneration Scheme, subject to the receipt of additional information to the satisfaction of the Town Council.

22/19 Accounts for Payment

Resolved that accounts for payment, in accordance with the schedule, totalling £98,535.13, be agreed.

23/19 Police Report

No report received.

Resolved that the Council contact Cumbria Police to request to provision of a report for each meeting of the committee.

24/19 Finance Report

Resolved that:

- 1) The Finance Report for the period 1 April to 30 June 2019 be agreed.
- 2) A virement of £6,000 from the Elections budget to Ground Maintenance be agreed.

25/19 Litter Collection

Resolved that regular clean-up events be organised in each ward & that Maryport Partnership School Council be requested to support the proposals.

26/19 Grant Application Arrangements

Resolved that, further to Minute 107/18, proposed revised arrangements to the Council's grant applications be considered at the next meeting.

27/19 Flimby Cemetery Access

Resolved that, further to Minute 15/19, it be noted that Councillor P Kendall, as Allerdale Borough Council Ward Councillor for Flimby, & in accordance with the appropriate procedures, had submitted a Councillor Call for Action to Allerdale Borough Council for the provision of suitable pathways & the repair of the churchyard wall. Further, it be noted that the matter had been considered by Allerdale Scrutiny Committee at its meeting held on 26 July, & that the committee had agreed to hold a site visit prior to determining appropriate action. It was also noted that Allerdale portfolio holder Councillor G Kemp had been reported as having visited the site & declared it to be not dangerous & the pathways not in need of repair, other than weeding.

28/19 Best Kept Garden & Container Competition & Best Kept Allotment Competition 2019

Resolved that it be noted that judging had taken place & that awards to the winners would be made on 8 August.

29/19 Budget Review

Resolved that a Budget Working Party be set up, consisting of Councillors S Ashworth, Mrs A Kendall, P Kendall, Ms K Thompson & Ms C Tindall, to identify possible service improvements for consideration by the committee at its Budget Meeting & that the first meeting take place on 28th August 2019 at 10am.

30/19 Refuse Collection

Resolved that the problems & frustrations reported concerning Allerdale Borough Council's cancellation of certain refuse collections be noted & that it be noted that the Council had submitted to Allerdale, as requested, potential temporary sites for residents to take items not being collected to.

31/19 Resignation of Councillor

Resolved that the resignation from the Council of Mr Gareth Falkingham be noted & that he be thanked for his interest.

32/19 Items for the Next Agenda

- 1) Climate Change Emergency Action

Peter Kendall

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

Signed

Chairman

Date