

MARYPORT TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held on Monday 12 November 2018 in the Council Chambers, Town Hall, Maryport at 7.00pm.

Present

Councillor B Carter	Councillor Mrs A Kendall
Councillor P Kendall	Councillor W Pegram
Councillor Mrs L Radcliffe	Councillor Ms S Stamper
Councillor Ms C Tindall (Chairman)	Councillor Mrs J Wood
Councillor M Wood	

In Attendance

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

54/18 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S Ashworth, G Hampson, M Hayhurst, Mrs C McCarron Holmes, M Messenger & I Tyson.

55/18 Declarations of Interest

None received.

56/18 Requests for Dispensations

None received.

57/18 Minutes of Meeting held on 10 September 2018

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held on 10 September 2018 be confirmed as a correct record & signed by the Chairman.

58/18 Correspondence

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

- 1) In the event of the apparent impasse concerning the property adjoining Maryport Town Hall on High Street, Allerdale Borough Council be requested to carry out works to rectify the poor condition of the Town Hall Council Chamber whilst the legal issue is progressed.
- 2) A grant of £250 be made to the Castle Hill Trust towards the provision of activities for local people.
- 3) The receipt of a congratulatory letter concerning the erection of the Ned Smith Memorial Stone & Sculpture at Maryport Harbour be welcomed, noting that it was more usual to receive letters of complaint.
- 4) Further to a complaint that World War 1 Commemorative Coins has not been provided for Netherhall School pupils, the correspondent be advised that the distribution range was based on budget availability, & that a number of additional coins were being made available for purchase at the Town Council Lights Switch-on event.

59/18 Accounts for Payment

Resolved that accounts for payment, in accordance with the schedule, totalling £31,746,44 be agreed.

60/18 Police Report

Resolved that the report be noted.

61/18 Finance Report

Resolved that the Finance Report for the period 1 April to 30 September 2018 be agreed.

62/18 Grants Policy

Resolved that the revised Grants Policy recommended by the Grants Policy Working Party be agreed.

63/18 Harbour Sculpture

Resolved that, following consideration of the most popular basis of names submitted by members of the public, it be agreed that the Harbour Sculpture be named The Alauna Aura.

64/18 Council Meeting Venues

Resolved that:

- 1) Council meetings continue to be held in the Town Hall as it was the Council's place of business & registered business address.
- 2) Council Surgeries be held regularly covering each ward.

65/18 Maintenance of Waterways

Resolved that:

- 1) The Council investigate the cost of the provision of a basic waterway maintenance service through its maintenance contractors.
- 2) The Council seek the availability of funding from Cumbria Community Foundation towards the cost of such work.

66/18 Closure of Netherhall Swimming Pool

Resolved that, subject to the establishment of a suitable independent trust to operate the facility, the Council provide funding of up to £12,000 in support of the facility in 2019/20, seeking similar support from connected local parish council's, Allerdale Borough Council and Cumbria County Council, noting that a public meeting was due to take place to discuss the matter in the near future.

67/18 Partnership with the Wave

Resolved that the Council provide financial support of up to £10,000 in 2019/20 for the establishment of a Soft Play Area proposed by the operators of The Wave.

68/18 Remembrance Day

Resolved that:

- 1) All who contributed to arrangements for & took part in the events to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the end of World War 1 be thanked for their support.
- 2) Allerdale Borough Council be requested to attend to the Town Hall flag, which had become stuck.

69/18 Internal Audit

Resolved that the report be received and the continued contribution of the Clerks towards such positive reports be noted & the Clerks commended.

70/18

Resolved that the public & press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business, by reason of its confidential nature.

71/18 Maryport Blues Festival 2018 Funding

Resolved that the Council seek legal advice on the recovery of funding provided to Maryport Festival Group on the cancelled Maryport Blues Festival 2018.

72/18 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