

MARYPORT TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held on Monday 8 August 2022 in the Grasslot Welfare Club, Maryport at 7.00pm.

Present

Councillor S Ashworth (Chairman)	Councillor B Carter
Councillor G Hampson	Councillor Mrs A Kendall
Councillor P Kendall	Councillor P Mallyon
Councillor Mrs C McCarron Holmes	Councillor Mrs L Radcliffe
Councillor W Pegram	

In Attendance

L Douglas, (Clerk)
P Bramley, (Clerk)
V Patterson, (Press)
PCSO S Hucker, (Cumbria Police)
PCSO S Steele, (Cumbria Police)
S Parnaby, (Maryport Business Group)

23/22 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors B Copeland, J Newton, Ms C Slater, Ms C Tindall, Mrs J Wood & M Wood.

24/22 Declarations of Interest

A declaration of interest was received from Councillor G Hampson, Item 5(7), Personal.

25/22 Requests for Dispensation

None received.

26/22 Minutes of Meeting held on 11 July 2022

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 11 July 2022 be agreed & signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

27/22 Correspondence

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

- 1) Mr James Gartland be thanked for his comments concerning wording on memorial plaques & that the wording on the plaques be retained as submitted.
- 2) Further to a funding request from Maryport Arts & Heritage Partnership, clarification on the basis of the £15,000 requested be sought.

- 3)** A grant of £1,000 be awarded to Imagination Parties towards an interactive children's show to be held at The Wave.
- 4)** The Council's Chairmen draft proposals for a response to the National Association of Local Councils concerning short-term holiday letting to be considered at the next committee meeting.
- 5)** No grant be awarded to Riverside Court, since although the project was laudable, it was believed that as the home was operated by Four Seasons Health Care, a private business, it should fund any such projects.
- 6)** Councillor P Kendall consider submitting a request, as Allerdale Councillor for the Flimby Ward, for the Allerdale Borough Council Overview & Scrutiny Committee to review the allocation of funding to playgrounds which Allerdale operated, taking into account concerns with the level of maintenance of equipment at Flimby Play Area.
- 7)** A grant of £500 be awarded to Maryport Trawler Race towards the purchase one of the original Trawler Race Trophies donated by the local MP in 1913.
- 8)** Grants of £1,000 be awarded to each of Luke McNight & Ashtyn Skillen towards a scholarship with AFC Fylde, in recognition of the prestige brought to the community by such appointments, to be funded from the International Sports Reserve.

28/22 Accounts for payment

Resolved those accounts for payment, in accordance with the schedule, totalling £43,644.29, be agreed.

29/22 Finance Report

Resolved that the Finance Report for the period 1 April to 30 June 2022 be agreed.

30/22 Grit Bins

Resolved that all Council members meet to carry out a check of all grit bins, with a list be compiled and sent to Cumbria County Council for any action required.

31/22 Footpath Improvements

Resolved that it be noted that Cumbria County Council had carried out some repairs & additional ones were planned to nominated footpaths.

32/22 Christmas Lights Maintenance Contract

Resolved that the contract for Christmas Lighting Maintenance be renewed with the Council's current contractor for a further three years from 1 October 2022.

33/22 Police Report

A report on issues affecting the local area was received from PCSO S Hucker & PCSO S Steele. PCSO Husker advised that PCSO Steele would be taking over from her as Community Beat Officer. They reported that the extent of anti-social behaviour had fallen in recent months, officers having carried out a number of stop-searches, and spoken to youths with their parents. CCTV recently installed was accessible by PCSO Steele and this it could be checked as far back as 30 days. Members asked a number of questions which were suitably answered. The Chairman thanked both of the officers for coming, and invited them to attend future meetings.

34/22 Items for Next Agenda

None received.

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

Signed

Chairman

Date