



RYDE

TOWN COUNCIL

FINANCE COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE RYDE TOWN COUNCIL FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD AT 7PM ON TUESDAY 22 OCTOBER 2019 IN THE COUNCIL MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL OFFICES, 10 LIND STREET, RYDE, ISLE OF WIGHT.

PRESENT: Councillors Phil Jordan (Chairman), Henry Adams, Adrian Axford, Charles Chapman, Diana Conyers, Nancy Farrell, Michael Lilley, Karen Lucioni, Ian Stephens, Lou Temel, Tim Wakeley

IN ATTENDANCE: Gareth Hughes (Responsible Financial Officer), Liz Dutton (Administration Officer)

ALSO PRESENT: 5 members of the public

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME: There were no public questions.

121/19APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Julian Critchley and Sue Lyons.

122/19DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Conyers declared an interest in agenda item 7 as a volunteer with CAB and in agenda item 9 as she was a Director in the Local Area Coordinators CIC

Cllr Adams declared an interest in agenda item 6 as he was a member of Ryde Rowing Club and agenda item 16 as he was also a member of Ryde Rotary Club.

123/19REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

There were no requests received.

124/19MINUTES

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 17 September 2019 be approved as an accurate record and be signed by the Chairman.

125/19 MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

Cllr Stephens asked a question regarding document that is requested from organisations applying for grants. The clerk replied that a written constitution or set of rules was required to be lodged in all cases.

Cllr Lilley stated he had received a letter as Mayor from a commonwealth family history research organisation who were considering placing a plaque on Appley Beach to commemorate 2 American pilots who crashed on Appley Beach in 1945. It was suggested that the letter be forwarded to Isle of Wight Council. The Chairman confirmed that a request for funding if received could be considered by the Committee.

126/19 COMMUNITY CONNECTOR REPORT

The Committee agreed to bring forward this item on the agenda and Steve Johnson, the Ryde Community Connector was welcomed to the meeting. Steve talked through his report briefly mentioning the number of interventions that had taken place, current stakeholders involved in the project and the setting up and members of the Steering Group. The Chairman thanked Steve for attending the meeting and for his report. The report was noted.

127/19 MARKETING GRANTS 2019/2020

(a) Ryde Rowing Club – Rowing Club Regatta 2020

Consideration was given to a marketing application for the 2020 Rowing Club Regatta.

RESOLVED:

That a marketing grant of £750 be awarded.

(b) IW Bus & Coach Museum – 2020 Publicity Flyer and Distribution

Consideration was given to a marketing application for a new publicity flyer and distribution.

RESOLVED:

That a marketing grant of £1,000 be awarded.

128/19 COMMUNITY GRANTS 2019/2020

(a) Victim Support – Purchase of Security items for victims and their families

Consideration was given to a community grant to fund the purchase security items such as personal alarms and small security items for the home.

RESOLVED:

That a community grant of £200 be awarded.

(b) Ryde Social Heritage Group – reprint of Audio Heritage Trail

An application was received from the Ryde Social Heritage Group for an update and reprint of the Heritage Trail leaflet. It was noted that this was a marketing application and funds should be allocated from the marketing budget. The Committee were disappointed that a company on the Island had not been chosen to print the leaflet.

RESOLVED:

That a marketing grant of £200 be awarded.

(c) Isle of Wight Music, Dance and Drama Festival – 2020 Festival

An application was received for funding for up to 3 sessions in the Isle of Wight Music Dance and Drama Festival 2020 that were to be held in Ryde.

RESOLVED:

That a community grant of £420 be awarded.

(d) Monkton Arts – Fifty Familiar Faces – The Monktonians

Consideration was given to an application for an exhibition of portrait photography of familiar characters. It was noted that no constitution or bank account had been provided and the Committee were informed that this was due to Monkton Arts being a newly set up organisation. It was agreed to fund the project but not to release any funds until a constitution and details of a bank account had been provided.

RESOLVED:

That a community grant of £1,612 be awarded but would not be released until evidence had been provided of a bank account and constitution.

(e) Citizens Advice Isle of Wight

Consideration was given to an application from Citizens Advice Isle of Wight to maintain the current services offered in Ryde.

RESOLVED:

That a community grant of £1,700 be awarded.

129/19 TIMETABLE FOR THE 2020/21 BUDGET PROCESS

The Committee noted the timetable for 2020/21 budget process.

RINGWAY ISLAND ROADS SERVICE SAVINGS

The Chairman informed the Committee that the Clerks were currently in contact with contractors and County Hall.

130/19 RYDE WARMER HOMES INITIATIVE

The Committee received a quarterly report from the Footprint Trust detailing the number of home visits and grants made for energy saving measures. The Committee noted the report and approved the invoice for July - September 2019.

RESOLVED:

That the report for the 2nd quarter be approved.

131/19 WAIVER REQUEST – PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY INSURANCE

Consideration was given to a waiver request to enable the Council to enter into a sole supplier contract in accordance with the Town Council's contract standing orders.

RESOLVED:

That the report be approved.

134/19 DIRECT DEBITS

The current list of direct debits that had been set up on the bank account were noted.

135/19 BANK RECONCILIATION 1 APRIL 2019 – 30 SEPTEMBER 2019

The bank reconciliation for the period 1 April to 30 September was noted.

136/19 BUDGET MONITOR 1 APRIL 2019 – 30 SEPTEMBER 2019

The budget monitor for the period 1 April to 30 September was noted.

137/19 COMPLETION REPORT

The following completion reports in respect Party on the Green for a marketing grant awarded in October 2018, Charity Classic Car Extravaganza for the event held in September 2019, the Friends of Appley for the marketing grant awarded in March 19 for Appley Day were received and noted.

138/19 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting was scheduled to take place on Tuesday 21 January 2020.

CHAIRMAN

DATE