



RYDE

TOWN COUNCIL

FINANCE COMMITTEE

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE RYDE TOWN COUNCIL FINANCE COMMITTEE
HELD AT 7PM ON TUESDAY 20 MARCH 2018 IN THE IN THE COUNCIL MEETING
ROOM, COUNCIL OFFICES, 10 LIND STREET, RYDE, ISLE OF WIGHT.**

PRESENT: Councillors Tim Wakeley (Chairman), Adrian Axford, Henry Adams, Phil Jordan, Karen Lucioni, Sue Lyons, Malcolm Ross, Jim Moody,

IN ATTENDANCE: Gareth Hughes (Responsible Financial Officer), Liz Dutton (Administration Officer), Saskia Blackmore (Clerk) Councillors Diana Conyers

ALSO PRESENT: 1 member of the public

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME: There were no questions from members of the public.

33/18 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor Chapman.

34/18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Lucioni and Jordon declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 9 as members of the Working Party for IW Pride.

Cllr Adams declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 9 as an honorary member of Ryde Rotary Club.

Cllr Moody declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 9 as a member of Ryde Historic Society.

35/18 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

No written requests had been received.

36/18 MINUTES

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 21 February 2018 be approved as an accurate record and be signed by the Chairman.

37/18 MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

No questions were received.

38/18 WARD ALLOCATIONS

Consideration was given to the following ward allocations. Cllr Conyers requested that her ward allocation be given to Binstead Partnership to provide a bench at the top end of Binstead Lodge Road, Cllr Wakeley requested for a bench to be provided near the playground in the Rest Garden and Cllr Farrell requested hers to be given to Daisy Chain who provided equipment and grants for travel and accommodation for children with medical needs.

RESOLVED:

That the following ward allocations be granted:
Binstead Partnership £ 500
Daisy Chains £250

39/18 PROCUREMENT FORWARD PLAN

Consideration was given to the Procurement Forward Plan (also known as the Contracts Database) which set out details of the Council's current contracts. Members noted the amendment in the document that the contract for Wightlink TV was currently awarded to Onboard TV. There was a discussion on whether a new Working Party should be set up in order to monitor the specifications of new contracts. It was noted that this role was already undertaken by staff and that the General Purposes Working Party currently assisted with the process of progressing and procuring contracts.

RESOLVED:

- (i) That a bespoke procurement training session be provided for all members as soon as possible
- (ii) That a new Working Party to take forward procurement processes was not necessary

RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND TO FULL COUNCIL:

That the attached Contracts Database, acting as the Council's Procurement Forward Plan be noted.

40/18 RECOMMENDATION FROM THE MARKETING WORKING PARTY

Consideration was given to the recommendation from the Marketing Working Party that the Beacon represented good value for money, however further electronic means of communication should be explored. The importance of attracting a younger audience was recognised and to keep matters under review.

RESOLVED:

That the recommendation from the Marketing Working Party be noted.

41/18 MARKETING GRANTS 2017/18

(a) Historic Ryde Society

Consideration was given to a grant to enable current signage to be changed to The Museum of Ryde.

RESOLVED:

That a grant of £550 be awarded.

(b) Rotary Club of Ryde

At this stage Cllr Lucioni declared a non-pecuniary interest as the event would be held at Haylands school where she was a governor.

An application was received from the Rotary Club of Ryde for a Fireworks Extravaganza to be held later in the year. Members noted that some costs requested were for the delivery and not the marketing of the event and therefore it was

RESOLVED:

That a grant of £1000 be awarded.

(c) Aspire Ryde

Consideration was given to an application for a grant for a Festival of the Mind. Concern was expressed that mental health services on the Island who have a duty for the delivery of mental health did not appear to be a funding partner and seemed have a limited input in the event. An email was circulated at the meeting from Aspire regarding partnerships and mental health services.

RESOLVED:

That a grant of £500 be awarded.

(d) Isle of Wight Pride

Consideration was given to an application for the Isle of Wight Pride event. Members recognised the importance of such high profile of event taking place in Ryde however noted that no accounts had been supplied

RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND TO FULL COUNCIL:

That a grant of £2,400 be awarded on condition that further financial information be supplied.

42/18 BANK RECONCILIATION

Members noted the bank reconciliation to 31 December 2017.

43/18 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED:

That in accordance with Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s1 (2) and Standing Order no.80, the public and press be temporarily excluded for the following items in view of the confidential nature of the business to be discussed.

44/18 CONFIDENTIAL REPORT – WAIVER REQUEST

Consideration was given to the confidential report which would allow for a waiver to contract standing orders to enable the Council to enter into a sole supplier contract for the provision of a promotional film of Ryde to be shown on Wightlink services.

RESOLVED:

- (i) That a request for a waiver of the Contract Standing Orders of the Council in order for a contract to be entered into on the terms set out in the report be approved and that the decision to be noted by Full Council
- (ii) That the Clerk to the Council be given authority to award the contract on the terms set out in the report

45/18 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Finance Committee would be held on Wednesday 25 April 2018.

CHAIRMAN

DATE