



HORNDDEAN PARISH COUNCIL

FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD AT JUBILEE HALL ON
23 SEPTEMBER 2024 AT 6:00 PM

PRESENT: Cllr J Lay (Chairman), Cllr D Prosser, Cllr S Freeman, Cllr A Redding.

IN ATTENDANCE: Carla Baverstock-Jones, Chief Officer (Minute Taker), Simon Ritson (RFO)

**PUBLIC
ATTENDANCE:** Two members present

F&GP 001/24/25 **TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

No apologies received from Cllr Hodgson

F&GP 002/24/25 **TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were received.

F&GP 003/24/25 **TO OPEN THE MEETING TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

Two members in attendance.

F&GP 004/24/25 **TO ELECT A VICE CHAIRMAN TO THE FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES
COMMITTEE**

This matter was deferred until the next meeting, as additional committee members to be elected at the next meeting of the Council.

F&GP 005/24/25 **TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE FUTURE TRANSFER OF ASSETS FROM A
NUMBER OF SOURCES**

A report was circulated and a discussion took place, notwithstanding a few minor amendments. It was **RESOLVED** that the Policy be recommended to Council for adoption.

F&GP 006/24/25 **TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE DEVELOPER ENGAGEMENT POLICY**

A report was circulated and a discussion took place. It was **RESOLVED** that the Policy be recommended to Council for adoption.

F&GP 007/24/25 **TO RECEIVE AND REVIEW THE EMPLOYER LOCAL GOVERNMENT PENSION SCHEME DISCRETIONS POLICY**

A draft copy of the Policy was circulated and a discussion took place. The Chief Officer provided input as to the requirement for the document to be updated and submitted to Hampshire Pension Services.

The revised Policy followed the same discretionary provisions as the original document.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Policy be recommended to Council for adoption.

F&GP 008/24/25 **TO RECEIVE A REPORT AND CONSIDER THE HIRE FEES IN RESPECT OF THE COMMUNITY HALLS AND FOOTBALL PITCHES**

A report was circulated outlining the current cost of hall and pitch hire. The fees were previously increased in January 2023, and on researching market rates HPC'S fees are currently below average. A discussion took place and it was agreed to recommend to Council the following increases:

- Football Pitch Hire to increase by 15%
- Hall Hire to increase by 10%
- Hire of Audio/Sound increase to £5.00
- Hire of Projector Screen Only to £4.00
- Hire of Projector Screen and Projector £20.00.

Proposed by Cllr Lay and seconded by Cllr Redding.

F&GP 009/24/25 **TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING GRANT APPLICATIONS**

Horndean Community Association - £3,749.85

The application was discussed and it was agreed to recommend to Council for £1,000 to be awarded subject to the work being completed, and evidence of the same provided.

Homestart Butser - £470

The application was considered and it was agreed to recommend to Council for £470 to be awarded.

The King's Arms Youth Charity - £1,000

Members considered the application and it was agreed to recommend to Council for £1,000 to be awarded, on the condition that the bid to acquire the building was successful.

F&GP 010/24/25 **TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE STRATEGY STATEMENTS (PARISH PLAN)**

A revised document was circulated and the strategy statements were considered, notwithstanding minor amendments, it was **RESOLVED** that the 3 strategy statements be recommended to Council for adoption.

F&GP 011/24/25 **TO NOTE THE NEXT MEETING OF THE FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE ON THE 28 OCTOBER 2024**

Duly noted the meeting will commence at 18:00PM, and followed immediately by the Budget Workshop.

Meeting closed at 19:05PM

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Chairman

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