

## **LISKEARD TOWN COUNCIL**

**AT A MEETING** of the **FINANCE AND STRATEGY COMMITTEE** held in the Council Chamber at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 28 April 2015 there were present:

The Deputy Mayor - Councillor Jane Pascoe - in the Chair

Councillors: Rachel Brooks, Ian Goldsworthy, Lorna Shrubsole and James Shrubsole,

Also in attendance - Councillor Roger Holmes

Town Clerk: Steve Vinson

Minute Clerk: Mr Stuart Houghton

Members of the Public: Viv Twornicki and Mat Twornicki (Ploughman's Fare)

### **489A/14 PUBLIC SPEAKER**

Mat Twornicki gave information about the Ploughman's Fare that was being organised for August 2015.

Last year a successful inaugural event was held and interest was expressed to repeat the event this year. The event was in two sections, one on the Parade where market stalls were set up, then after lunch it was music in Westbourne Gardens where ploughman's lunches and liquid refreshments were sold. Around 350 people attended the event and it provided a profit which would be used to finance this year's event.

Lessons had been learnt last year when the weather was good, but it highlighted the need to weatherproof the event, and to this end marquees would be provided this year so that the stage and electrical equipment would be protected. This would also provide a dry environment for the public should the weather be inclement. Other things to be provided included generators, staging and toilets.

So far some sponsorship for this year's event has been received from businesses in the Town and it was hoped that 500 people would come to the Town Centre this year.

### **489B/14 APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from The Mayor, Councillor Phil Seeva and Councillors Adam Hodgkins and Hella Tovar.

### **489C/14 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interests were made.

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**489D/14 MINUTES OF THE FINANCE & STRATEGY COMMITTEE MEETING  
24 MARCH 2015**

**Item 720/14 (Local Council Award Scheme)**

It was agreed that “ a time table should be set to reach” to “ a time table should aim to reach”.

Councillor Goldsworthy proposed, Councillor J. Shrubsole seconded and the Committee **APPROVED** the Minutes of the Finance and Strategy Committee meeting held on the 24 March 2015. The Mayor signed these Minutes.

**489E/14 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON ITEMS FROM THE LAST MEETING  
OF THE COMMITTEE**

Progress on items from the last meeting was contained in the Clerks report and the Agenda for this meeting.

**489F/14 TOWN CLERK'S REPORT - FOR INFORMATION**

The Town Clerk's report had been circulated.

**489G/14 BUDGET REPORT TO 31 MARCH 2015**

The budget report to 31 March 2015 had been circulated and was noted.

It was noted that;

- A new line had been entered for the Neighbourhood Plan but it had not been populated
- Why were the Admin charges 20% over budget?
- Why had no amount been allowed against Election Expenses?
- The CCTV relocation costs should be paid from the Earmarked Reserve

Councillor Holmes asked if a report could be obtained from the Police to indicate if the CCTV system was helpful to them.

**489H/14 TOWN COUNCIL AIMS**

The Town Clerk's report that had been circulated contain the latest version of the Aims and indicated the Aims that Committee's would share. It was in two sections, the first numbered 1 to 10, were the aims for the Finance Committee and the next two pages were for the Property and Communication and Engagement Committees. The Aims for the Planning and Museum Committees would be set at their next meetings.

Members discussed the meanings of some of the Objectives and agreed that the Aims would be a living document that would evolve as work progressed, and that the public consultation would be via the next issues of the Town Crier Newsletter and presented to the June meeting of the Town Council.

Agreed amendments were;

Section 1

Item 1, bullet point, change via to “to include”

Item 2, bullet point 2, change Promote to “The retention of”

Item 8, bullet point 2, change Help to “Direct” and add “to” between organisations understand

Section 2

Item 8, bullet point 4, change was to “is”

Next Steps - Next Committee

First paragraph change May to “June”

**489I/14 LOCAL COUNCIL AWARD SCHEME**

The current progress of the scheme was included in the Town Clerk’s report which had been circulated.

Councillors Brooks and L. Shrubsole volunteered to take action under the who and when column.

**489J/14 GRANT APPLICATIONS**

**a. Liskeard Ploughman’s Festival**

Members discussed the presentation made earlier in the meeting.

Councillor L. Shrubsole proposed, Councillor Goldsworthy seconded and the Committee **RESOLVED** that a grant of £300 be made to the Ploughman’s Fare event.

**b. International Male Voice Choir, Choral Festival**

The Town Clerk reported that he had received confirmation that this event would not involve a Liskeard Choir or School.

Councillor Goldsworthy proposed, Councillor Brooks seconded and the Committee **RESOLVED** that the organisers should be informed that this application had been rejected, but the Council wished the event well.

**489K/14 FOOD ENTERPRISE ZONE**

The Town Clerk’s report gave details of this item and he confirmed that a draft expression of interest had been submitted. Even if this application was unsuccessful it could lead to other things as there were many ideas for the future of the Cattle Market.

**489L/14 ANY OTHER RELEVANT BUSINESS**

None.

**489M/14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next Finance and Strategy Committee meeting would be at 7.30 pm on 26 May 2015