

Liskeard Town Council

AT A MEETING of the **FACILITIES COMMITTEE** held on 16 January 2024 at 7.30pm there were present:

Councillors Julian Smith (Chair), Richard Dorling (Vice-Chair), David Braithwaite, Kerry Cassidy, Ian Goldsworthy, Lori Reid, Jane Pascoe, Tracy Adams, and the Deputy Mayor Councillor Christina Whitty.

In attendance – Stephen Vinson (Town Clerk) and Jacqui Orange (Facilities Manager)

The Chair opened the meeting and advised those present of housekeeping matters.

376/23 APOLOGIES – The Mayor Simon Cassidy and Councillor Annette Lee-Julian

377/23 DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS INTERESTED REGISTRABLE AND NON-REGISTRABLE – None.

378/23 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING – Councillor Braithwaite proposed, Councillor Dorling seconded, and the Committee **APPROVED** the minutes of the Facilities Committee held on 21 November 2024.

379/23 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – Le Page Architects were welcomed to the meeting and gave a brief overview of their proposal for the Guildhall Feasibility Study Project.

Councillor Reid proposed, Councillor Cassidy seconded, and the Committee **APPROVED** moving into **PART II**.

PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960 Pursuant to Section (2) of the Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960 and having regard to the confidential nature of the businesses to be discussed, the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting for the following item(s) of business.

Councillor Goldsworthy withdrew from the meeting.

Councillor Braithwaite proposed, Councillor Reid seconded, and the Committee **APPROVED** leaving **PART II**.

380/23 GUILDHALL PROJECT - Councillor Dorling proposed, Councillor Reid seconded, and the Committee **APPROVED** the decision in **PART II** to appoint the architects recommended by the Town Council's Project Tender Panel. The cost of the feasibility study is to be met with a **£25,000.00** grant from the Cornwall & Isles of Scilly Good Growth Capacity Fund, matched with up to **£10,000.00** from the Town Council's Guildhall Project revenue budget.

381/23 FACILITIES MANAGERS REPORT – The Committee noted the Facilities Managers report. Councillor Reid stated that she did not support the purchase of the e-cargo bike. The facilities Manager will make a report on the use of the e-cargo bike available at Committee meetings.

382/23 BUDGET MONITORING REPORT – The Committee noted the Budget Monitoring Report.

383/23 MEMBERS ROOM AND MAYORS PARLOUR – Councillor Reid proposed, Councillor Braithwaite seconded, and the Committee **APPROVED** an additional spend of **£1,055.00 + VAT** from the Town Council's Property Reserve for Heritage Preservation Ltd to undertake the repair of the sash window in the Members Room.

The Mayor Councillor Simon Cassidy joined the meeting.

384/23 2024/25 FACILITIES BUDGET – Councillor Braithwaite proposed, Councillor Pascoe seconded, and the Committee **APPROVED** reducing the Rapson's skatepark budget line from £20,000 to £5,000. The £5,000 will be used cover the costs associated with working up a project with a designer and community consultation.

Councillor Pascoe proposed, Councillor Reid seconded, and the Committee **APPROVED** retaining the £60,000 budget to support the Guildhall project.

Councillor Goldsworthy proposed, Councillor Braithwaite seconded, and the Committee **APPROVED** the decision that the budgets for Golitha Rise (£500) and Public Hall promotion (£1,000) are removed from the 2024-25 Facilities budget.

The Public Hall refurbishment budget will be reduced from £45,000 to £20,000 to cover the costs associated with the repurposing of the Mayors Parlour and Members Room.

385/23 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 20 February 2024.