Liskeard Town Council

AT A MEETING of the **FACILITIES COMMITTEE** held on 10 January 2023 at 7.30pm there were present:

Councillors Julian Smith (Chair), Richard Dorling (Vice-Chair), Christina Whitty (Deputy Mayor), David Ambler, David Braithwaite, Kerry Cassidy, Ian Goldsworthy

In attendance – Jacqui Orange (Facilities Manager)

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

395/22 APOLOGIES – Councillors Jane Pascoe, Tony Powell, Annette Lee-Julian

396/22 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTED REGISTRABLE AND NON-REGISTRABLE - None

397/22 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING – Councillor Dorling proposed, Councillor Braithwaite seconded, and the Committee APPROVED the minutes of the previous meeting.

398/22 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – One member of the public attended the meeting.

399/22 FACILITIES MANAGERS REPORT – The Committee noted the Facilities Managers Report.

400/22 BUDGET MONITORING REPORT – Councillor Ambler recommended that the report be rejected on the grounds that it is not being received by councillors in a timely way. Councillor Ambler proposed, Councillor Dorling seconded, and the Committee APPROVED the recommendation that the budget monitoring report is rejected.

401/22 REMOVAL OF GRAFFITI FROM PLAY EQUIPMENT – Councillor Dorling proposed, Councillor Goldsworthy seconded, and the Committee APPROVED the recommendation that the £1,894.75 + VAT cost of removing graffiti from play equipment in Thorn Park, skate ramps and MUGA at Rapson's Field is met from the Parks and Opens Spaces Reserve.

402/22 PRICING REVIEW 2023/24 – Item deferred to the next meeting of the Facilities Committee. Councillor Smith will consult with other Committee Chairs and the Facilities Manager and bring a revised proposal to the next Committee meeting.

403/22 REVIEW ALLOTMENT RENTS AND GARDEN RULES – Councillor Smith recommended increasing the annual charge by 10% and charge for water by £5.00. Councillor Smith proposed, Councillor Cassidy seconded, and the Committee APPROVED increasing annual allotment fee by 10% and charge for water by £5.00. Revision of the Garden Rules deferred to the next Committee meeting.

404/22 DISABLED ALLOTMENT UPDATE – Enable Accessibility has been successfully appointed as consultants and a site meeting is being arranged with Councillors Ambler, Lee-Julian and Smith and the Facilities Manager to progress the project.

405/22 2023/24 BUDGET SETTING – Councillor Dorling proposed, Councillor Goldsworthy seconded, and the Committee APPROVED the budget as circulated (Planned Budget after Receipts £209,310).

406/22 GRIT BINS – a. Item deferred to the next meeting of the Facilities Committee. b. Item deferred pending further consultation with local residents on suitable locations for new grit bins.

407/22 CCTV REVIEW – Councillor Smith recommended that a working party be established to review the current CCTV contract, benefits, costs, and effectiveness and consider the need for additional CCTV cameras in Liskeard. Councillors Dorling, Whitty and Braithwaite expressed interest in joining a working party.

408/22 GUILDHALL REVIEW – Item deferred to the next meeting of the Facilities Committee.

409/22 PARKS & OPEN SPACES WORKING GROUP – the Town Clerk has noted two expressions of interest regarding the Liskeard and District Sports Pitches and Related Recreational Facilities Demand and Implementation Assessment tender. The closing date for receipt of tenders is 31 January 2023.

410/22 DEVOLUTION – The Town Council's solicitors have advised that they are awaiting receipt of one of two searches to progress the transfer.

411/22 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 7 March 2023

Councillor Cassidy proposed, Councillor Goldsworthy seconded, and the Committee APPROVED entering Part 2.

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.

412/22 GUILDHALL TENANTS – Councillor Smith recommended a further meeting with the prospective tenants to discuss options. Councillor Dorling proposed, Councillor Cassidy seconded, and the Committee APPROVED the recommendation that a further meeting is held with the tenants to discuss options.

Councillor Ambler recommended that Full Council be asked to review the Grants Policy. Councillor Smith proposed, Councillor Ambler seconded, and the Committee APPROVED the recommendation that Full Council be asked to review the Grants Policy.