

FOLKESTONE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting held at Folkestone Town Council Offices, Town Hall, 1-2 Guildhall Street, Folkestone on Thursday, 16th February 2023 at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillors Abena Akuffo-Kelly, Peter Gane, Dylan Jeffrey, Nicola Keen, Mary Lawes, Connor McConville (Chair) and Belinda Walker.

ABSENT: Ray Field, Jonathan Graham.

OFFICER PRESENT: Phil Cross (Finance Officer)

1527. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors David Horton (work) and Tim Prater (meeting).

RESOLVED: The Committee received and approved the apologies.

Proposed: Councillor Abena Akuffo-Kelly

Seconded: Councillor Belinda Walker

Voting: F:6, Ag:0, Ab:1

1528. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

1529. MINUTES

1) The Committee received the Minutes of the meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 15th December 2022.

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 15th December 2022 be received and signed as a correct record.

Proposed: Councillor Mary Lawes

Seconded: Councillor Nicola Keen

Voting: F:7, Ag:0, Ab:0

2) The Committee received the Minutes of the meeting of the Personnel Sub-Committee held on 20th October 2022.

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting of the Personnel Sub-Committee held on 20th October 2022 be received and noted.

Proposed: Councillor Peter Gane

Seconded: Councillor Mary Lawes

Voting: F:7, Ag:0, Ab:0

1530. SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

The Committee considered the schedule of payments made between 1st December 2022 and 31st January 2023.

RESOLVED: That the Schedule of Payments for the period 1st December 2022 to 31st January 2023 be approved.

Proposed: Councillor Nicola Keen

Seconded: Councillor Abena Akuffo-Kelly

Voting: F:7, Ag:0, Ab:0

1531. BUDGET MONITORING STATEMENT 2022/23

The budget monitoring statement to the 31st January 2023 was received by the Committee. The Chairman requested that the budget monitoring statement for the end of the 2018/19 year be included in the next agenda for comparison purposes.

RESOLVED: That the Budget Monitoring Statement to 31st January 2023 be approved.

Proposed: Councillor Peter Gane

Seconded: Councillor Nicola Keen

Voting: F:7, Ag:0, Ab:0

1532. BANK RECONCILIATION STATEMENT

The bank reconciliation statement as at 31st January 2023 was noted by the Committee.

1533. APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDITOR 2022/23

The Committee was asked to approve the appointment of the internal auditor for 2022/23.

RESOLVED: That KALC's recommended auditor, David Buckett, be appointed as the 2022/23 Internal Auditor.

Proposed: Councillor Peter Gane

Seconded: Councillor Mary Lawes

Voting: F:7 Ag:0, Ab:0

1534. WARD GRANTS

A list of ward grants approved by the Town Clerk between 1st December 2022 and 31st January 2023 was provided for the Committee's information and duly noted.

1535. WARD GRANT BALANCES 2022/23

A list of ward grant balances available to each Councillor as at 1st February 2023 was provided for the Committee's information and duly noted.

1536. DATE OF NEXT MEETING
Thursday, 20th April 2023 at 7.00pm

The meeting concluded at 7.25pm

Chairman.....

Date.....

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