

LYME REGIS TOWN COUNCIL

STRATEGY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 14 MARCH 2018

Present

Chairman: Cllr S. Miller

Councillors: Cllr J. Broom, Cllr R. Doney, Cllr Mrs M. Ellis, Cllr B. Larcombe, Cllr Mrs C. Reynolds, Cllr P. Ridley, Cllr J. Scowen, Cllr G. Turner, Cllr S. Williams

Officers: Mr M. Adamson-Drage (operations manager), Mrs A. Mullins (administrative officer), Mr J. Wright (town clerk)

17/103/SF Public Forum

There were no members of the public who wished to speak.

17/104/SF Apologies for Absence

Cllr S. Larcombe – family commitment
Cllr O. Lovell
Cllr D. Hallett – holiday
Cllr P. Hicks

17/105/SF Minutes

Proposed by Cllr Mrs M. Ellis and seconded by Cllr B. Larcombe, the minutes of the meeting held on 31 January 2018 were **ADOPTED**.

17/106/SF Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

There were none.

17/107/SF Dispensations

There was no grant of dispensations made by the town clerk in relation to the business of this meeting.

17/108/SF Matters arising from the minutes of the Strategy and Finance Committee meeting held on 31 January 2018

Members noted the report.

17/109/SF Update Report

Bowling club lease

Cllr S. Williams asked if the plan of the car park, showing the number of parking spaces, had been checked and scrutinised by members. He also asked if members had seen the bowling club lease.

The town clerk said this information was due to be considered by the working group at its last meeting, but the meeting was cancelled as it was inquorate. He said he had been through the lease on various occasions at the working group meetings, but it was available in the office for members to see.

Powerboat club lease

Cllr S. Williams asked how many members had seen the powerboat club lease.

The town clerk said information on the lease had been taken to the working group meetings several times, but the lease was available in the office for members to see.

General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

Cllr R. Doney asked if officers were reasonably confident the council would be compliant when the GDPR came into effect.

The town clerk said he believed the council would be adequately compliant, but a plan would be brought to the next meeting.

West Dorset District Council programme board

Cllr B. Larcombe asked that when information was going to be presented to a meeting, members were provided with that information beforehand.

The town clerk said working groups were different to committee meetings and information didn't have to be provided in advance, but wherever possible, officers would try to do this.

17/110/SF Minutes of the West Dorset District Council Service Review working group meeting held on 1 February 2018

The minutes of the working group meeting held on 1 February 2018 were **RECEIVED**.

17/111/SF Internal Audit Report, Visit Three 2017/18

The town clerk said the high priority recommendation related to contracts of employment was an issue members were aware of and it was close to being resolved.

Members noted the internal auditor's report and the management responses.

17/112/SF Corporate Plan 2017-22

Proposed by Cllr R. Doney and seconded by Cllr Mrs M. Ellis, members agreed to **RECOMMEND TO FULL COUNCIL** to approve the Corporate Plan 2017-22.

17/113/SF Investments, Cash Holdings and Loans

Cllr S. Williams said he was concerned about the low interest rates on some of the council's investments.

The town clerk said the council needed to have a view on how it invested its reserves and it was intended to bring a report to this committee to allow members to consider this.

It was agreed a report would be considered by the first meeting of this committee in the new council year.

17/114/SF Land Stability at Monmouth Beach and Ware Cliff

Cllr B. Larcombe asked if it was possible to add some monitoring points in the Langmoor Gardens to check if there was any movement in the area.

The town clerk said WDDC periodically did some ground monitoring in that area and this could be checked, but it members wanted some reassurance, further monitoring could be considered.

It was agreed this would be considered by the Town Management and Highways Committee.

17/115/SF Debtors' Report

Proposed by Cllr S. Miller and seconded by Cllr Mrs M. Ellis, members **RESOLVED** that under Section 1, Paragraph 2 of The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for this item of business as it included confidential information relating to the financial or business affairs of a particular person within the meaning of paragraphs 1 and 8 of schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (see Section 1 and Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985), as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006.

17/116/SF Exempt Business

(a) Debtors' Report

The town clerk said the site licence debt had decreased considerably since the report had been written.

The meeting closed at 8.05pm.