



## Seaford Town Council

### Finance & General Purposes Committee

Minutes of the meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held at the Council Chamber, Church Street, Seaford on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2014 at 7.00pm.

#### Present:

Councillors B Burfield (Chairman) and M Brown (Vice Chairman)  
Councillors S Adeniji, S Gauntlett, A Hayder, A Latham, R Needham, B Warren and A White.  
Mr James Corrigan, Interim Town Clerk - Seaford Town Council.  
Mrs Lucy Clark, Supports Services Manager - Seaford Town Council.  
Miss Georgia Raeburn, PA to the Town Clerk - Seaford Town Council (minutes).  
3 Members of the public.

#### F30/12/14 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S Dunn, P Franklin (Cllr A White substituted for) and L Lord (Cllr A Latham substituted for).

#### F31/10/14 Disclosure of Interests

No declarations were made of discloseable pecuniary interests or interests other than pecuniary interests as defined under the Seaford Town Council Code of Conduct and the Localism Act 2011, in relation to matters on the agenda.

#### F32/10/14 Public Participation

*Bob Gower* With regards to item 5, wanted to ensure that there would be a full debate on decisions made going forwards in the agenda. Regarding item 6, questioned the savings that have been made since the former Town Clerk left the Council's employment?

*Chairman* Confirmed that this Committee would be making recommendations to Full Council and that these recommendations would be heard by members today.

*Interim Town Clerk* Confirmed that the report under item 6 only included the professional costs not the additional costs or savings.

#### F33/10/14 Finance Report

##### F33.1 Receipts, Payments and Bank Reconciliation for October and November 2014

Members considered report 178/14 regarding receipts, payments and bank reconciliation for October and November 2014.

It was **AGREED** to **APPROVE** the information contained in the report.

**F33.2 Finance Report – Income & Expenditure 01/04/2014 – 30/11/2014**

Members considered report 179/14 regarding the Council budget position for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2014 to 30<sup>th</sup> November 2014

It was **AGREED** to **APPROVE** the information contained in the report.

**F34/10/14 2015-16 Proposed Finance Budget**

Members considered report 180/14 presenting the draft budget for 2015/16.

**F34.1** It was **PROPOSED** that the Finance & General Purposes Committee **RECOMMEND** that Full Council consider the draft budget as presented, with an increase of 3.4% on the Precept for the 2015/16 financial year; this was **CARRIED**.


**F34.2** It was **PROPOSED** that the Finance & General Purposes Committee **RECOMMEND** that Full Council authorise facilitating the employment of a Projects Officer; this was **NOT CARRIED**.

**F34.3** It was **PROPOSED** that the Finance & General Purposes Committee **RECOMMEND** to Full Council that the consideration of an additional post for a Projects Officer be deferred pending a review of there being financial resources available to support the post; this was **CARRIED**.

**F35/10/14 Investigation & Disciplinary Professional Support Financial Update**

Members **NOTED** report 181/14 updating the Committee of the total cost of the professional support required by the Council between April and November 2014 as a result of the investigation and disciplinary matters.

The meeting closed at 8.01pm.

 15 JAN 2015

Cllr Barry Burfield  
Chairman