



**MINUTES OF RYDE TOWN COUNCIL'S FINANCE AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES COMMITTEE  
HELD ON TUESDAY, 18 JANUARY 2022  
AT 7.00PM IN GARFIELD ROAD METHODIST CHURCH, RYDE**

Members Present: Cllr Phil Jordan (Chair), Cllr Simon Cooke, Cllr Jo Elliot, Cllr Jess Higgins, Cllr Michael Lilley, Cllr John McLagan, Cllr Malcom Ross, Cllr Jenna Sabine

Also in Attendance: Lisa Dyer (Town Clerk), Tara Bloomfield (Accounting Technician), Gareth Hughes (Responsible Finance Officer), Allan Bridges (Business Development Manager) and Chris Turvey (Planning Officer) and three members of the public.

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## **PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

A member of the public asked whether national competition for architectural services could be a way of securing the future of Vectis Hall within a fresh ethos of conservation and aspiration to the highest standards of restoration.

### **1/22 APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Cllr Charles Chapman..

### **2/22 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None declared.

### **3/22 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**

None requested.

### **4/22 MINUTES**

The minutes to the previous meeting held on 16 November 2021 were reviewed.

### **RESOLVED:**

**THAT, the minutes to the meeting held on 16 November 2021 were approved as a true and accurate record and were signed off by the Chair.**

### **5/22 MEMBERS QUESTION TIME**

There were no questions asked.

## **6/22 FINANCIAL STRATEGY GROUP MEETING NOTES**

Notes of the Financial Strategy Group meetings on the 30<sup>th</sup> November and on 8<sup>th</sup> December had been circulated.

**RESOLVED:** That the notes be noted.

## **7/22 GRANTS SUB COMMITTEE**

An update on the work of the Grants Sub Committee was presented together with the need to appoint a Councillor to the Sub Committee.

**RESOLVED:** That the update be noted and that Cllr Simon Cooke be appointed as a Member of the Grants Sub Committee.

## **8/22 CONTRACTS**

A schedule of contracts requiring renewal in the 2022-23 financial year had been circulated,

**RESOLVED:** That the schedule be noted.

## **9/22 BUDGET AND PRECEPT SETTING 2022-23**

The results of the budget consultation and the budget report of the RFO had been circulated. A question was asked regarding whether any further information had been received regarding the potential cost involved with the proposed purchase of St Johns Wood. The detailed budget as presented in Appendix A to the report of the RFO was considered and it was –

**RESOLVED:** To recommend to Full Council -

1. That the budget as presented be approved subject to an increase of £19,000 in the community grants budget.
2. That the precept sum of £1,258,270 be approved (representing an increase of 4% based on the tax base for the 2021-22 financial year).

## **10/22 STORAGE UNIT RENTAL AT PUCKPOOL PARK**

An offer had been received from the Isle of Wight Council to rent a storage unit at Puckpool Park which was currently used to store equipment for Ryde Harbour.

**RESOLVED:** That the offer be accepted.

## **11/22 BUDGET MONITOR**

A budget monitor had been circulated in respect of the period 1<sup>st</sup> April to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021.

**RESOLVED:** That the budget monitor be noted.

## **12/22 BANK RECONCILIATION**

A bank reconciliation for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021 had been circulated.

**RESOLVED:** That the bank reconciliation be noted.

#### **13/22 PAYMENTS LIST**

A list of payments made since the last meeting was presented.

**RESOLVED:** That the payments list be noted.

#### **14/22 EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS**

In view of the confidential nature of the business to be discussed and in the public interest, the public and press were excluded for the following two items, in accordance with Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s1 (2).

#### **15/22 VECTIS HALL CONTRACT**

Quotations from Architects had been received in respect of proposed works at Vectis Hall.

#### **16/22 RYDE HARBOUR**

A draft agreement between the Town Council and Vectis Boating and Fishing Club had been circulated.

**RESOLVED:**

#### **17/22 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

**RESOLVED:**

**THAT the next meeting will be held on Tuesday 22 March 2022 in the Methodist Church, Garfield Road, Ryde at 7.00pm.**