

# MARYPORT TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held on Monday 25 March 2019 in the Council Chambers, Town Hall, Maryport at 7.00pm.

## Present

Councillor S Ashworth	Councillor B Carter
Councillor Mrs A Kendall	Councillor P Kendall
Councillor P Mallyon	Councillor Mrs C McCarron Holmes
Councillor W Pegram	Councillor Mrs L Radcliffe
Councillor Ms C Tindall (Chairman)	Councillor Mrs J Wood
Councillor M Wood	

## In Attendance

Mr P Bramley (Clerk)  
Mrs L Douglas (Clerk)

### 88/18 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors G Hampson, M Hayhurst, M Messenger & Ms S Stamper.

### 89/18 Declarations of Interest

A declaration of interest was received from Councillor P Kendall, Item 8(4), Personal as an Allotment Tenant & Late Item 8(3).

### 90/18 Requests for Dispensation

None received.

### 91/18 Minutes of Meeting held on 28 January 2019

**Resolved** that the minutes of the meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held on 28 January 2019 be confirmed as a correct record & signed by the Chairman.

### **92/18 Correspondence**

**Resolved** that the schedule of correspondence be received & noted, & that:

- 1) A grant of £250 be awarded to the West Cumbria Refugee Support Network to support a programme of work to help integrate refugee families in the local community.
- 2) A grant of £250 be awarded to Castle Hill Trust to support the provision of a festival on the impact of migration in the nineteenth century on Maryport.

### **93/18 Accounts for Payment**

**Resolved** that accounts for payment, in accordance with the schedule, totalling £31,130.77 be agreed.

### **94/18 Police Report**

**Resolved** that the report be noted & that any comments be forwarded to the Clerks.

### **95/18 Finance Report**

**Resolved** that the Finance Report for the period 1 April 2018 to 28 February 2019 be agreed, including:

- 1) The application of £4,800 from Allotment Development Reserve to finance improvements at Sandy Lonning.
- 2) The application of £2,200 from the Christmas Lights Reserve for replacement lights on Crosby Street.
- 3) A virement of £6,000 from Grants to Ground Maintenance budgets.

### **96/18 Council Asset Register Review 2018/19**

**Resolved** that the Council Asset Register 2018/19 be agreed.

### **97/18 Allotment Rents**

Note that Councillor P Kendall left the meeting for this item.

**Resolved** that, further to Allotment Committee Minute 37/16, the annual rent for an allotment plot be increased to £65 with effect from 1 April 2020.

### **98/18 Ned Smith Memorial Plate**

**Resolved** that, further to Minute 41/18, the Council arrange for a blue heritage style plaque recording 1 North Quay as being the former residence of Edward Benn Smith to be obtained & attached to the property.

### **99/18 Maryport Regeneration**

**Resolved** that the matter be deferred until the new Council year.

**100/18 Environmental Flood Resilience Work**

**Resolved** that the Council invite representatives from the Environment Agency to a suitable meeting in the new Council year to outline flood resilience work carried out at Flimby & explain developments.

**101/18 Coastal Erosion**

**Resolved** that the matter be deferred until the new Council year.

**102/18 Maryport Town Hall Condition**

**Resolved** that the matter be deferred until the new Council year.

**103/18 Presentational Repair of Maryport Buildings**

**Resolved** that the matter be deferred until the new Council year.

**104/18 Traffic Concerns on the A594**

**Resolved** that, in recognition of the potential danger to residents crossing the A594 at Netherton, the Council request Cumbria County Council to arrange a traffic survey to investigate the need for a suitable crossing.

**105/18 Britain's First Black Policeman**

**Resolved** that the Council arrange for a blue heritage style plaque recording the former residence of Mr John Kent, who served as a police officer in Maryport between 1835 & 1837 & is believed to be Britain's first black policeman, to be attached to the appropriate property.

**106/18**

**Resolved** that the public & press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business by reason of its confidential nature.

**107/18**

**Grant to Maryport Festivals Group**

Note that Councillor P Kendall left the meeting for this item.

**Resolved** that, following an update from the Chairman:

- 1) It be agreed that a letter drafted by the Council's solicitor be sent to a representative of the former Festivals Group.
- 2) It be agreed to review the arrangements for the award of grants

**108/18 Items for the Next Agenda**

- 1) Access Problems caused by Street Furniture, (P Mallyon).
- 2) Abuse of Foodbank Facilities, (P Mallyon).

Following the conclusion of the meeting, a meeting of the Planning & Economic Development Committee took place.

Signed .....

Chairman

Date .....