

CLEVEDON TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL FINANCE & GENERAL POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD IN THE COUNCIL OFFICES, 44 OLD STREET, ON MONDAY 21ST JANUARY
2013 AT 7.30PM

Present: Councillor C Francis-Pester Committee Chairman
Councillor, C Blades, B Garner, J Geldart, C. Hall, G. Hill, J Middleton, T.
Morgan, J Norton-Sealey, N Pennycott, & G Watkins.
Town Clerk – Ms P. Heath,

FGP 13/319 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors P McNeill & D Shopland (Illness), and C Wring (family commitments)

FGP 13/320 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were no declarations of interest on items on the agenda for which a dispensation has not been agreed.

FGP 13/321 RECEIVE AND DISCUSS NAMED GRANTS REQUESTS

Members were reminded of the discussions held on 7th January concerning the 3 year plans. The first year grants applications under named grants had been received and matched the 3 Year Plans.

Proposed seconded and **AGREED** to accept the named grant applications for payment upon receipt of the precept, as shown in the budget papers.

FGP 13/322 DISCUSS AND PROPOSE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL 2013/2014 PRECEPT.

The Chairman explained that the detailed budget had been agreed by each individual Committee the minutes of which have been through Council; the FGP Committee had scrutinised the budgets on 19th December and these minutes have been circulated to all members for comment so all members have had opportunity to question the budgets. Members needed to reflect the true cost of running the council and supporting the Community in light of reduction in funding and service provision by NSC following Government changes

The Town Clerk at RFO explained the summary sheet issued at the meeting showing the net budget of £254913.00. The RFO explained about the one-off grant from NSC of £15690.91 and the alteration in Band D properties caused by Government policy changes on Council Tax calculations.

Members discussed the items allocated under earmarked reserves in particular the £120,000 land purchase. It was noted that the Allotment Investment Fund was ring fenced for capital allotment purchase and not for allotment revenue funding.

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Subject to ratification by Council and Committee

Proposed, seconded and **RECOMMENDED** by 11 votes to 0 that this Council should not pursue the purchase of amenity land for use as allotments.

Proposed, seconded and **RECOMMENDED** by 11 votes to 0 that this Council designates the earmarked budget of £120, 000 be allocated for the payment of the major grants for one off Community Assets projects over 2013/14 and 2014/15,if required. These being Clevedon Pier HLF match funding grant' The Barn pump priming support, and Community Association grant in 2013/14 to a total of £36439; a provision of £76100 being allocated for 2014/15 to cover Clevedon Pier HLF, Marine Lake HLF, The Barn pump priming, Community Association and Curzon Cinema.

Proposed seconded and **RECOMMENDED** by 11 votes to 0 that this Council sets a Precept for 2013/14 at £202783.09 which equates at Band D adjusted at £27.76.

FGP 13/323 CHAIRMAN ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

There were no Chairman's items for information

FGP 13/324 TO DETERMINE PART I AND PART II ITEMS.

It was confirmed that the Budget although a Part 1 would be discussed and agreed by the Precept Meeting, so would not be shown as Part 1 in these minutes.

The meeting finished at 8.15 pm

APPROVED AS A TRUE RECORD

CHAIRMAN Date