

SALTASH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Business Strategy & Forward Planning Sub-Committee held at The Guildhall on Thursday 8th November 2018 at 2:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillors: R Bickford, J Brady - Chairman, G Challen, S Miller, W Phillips, G Taylor – Vice Chairman.

ALSO PRESENT: 3 Members of the Public, R Lane – Town Clerk, S Emmett – Finance Officer, A Chick – Administration Officer.

APOLOGIES: Councillors M Parker and A Pinkney.

HEALTH AND SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman informed those present of the actions required in the event of a fire or emergency.

53/18/19 **RECORDING OF MEETINGS – PLEASE NOTIFY THE CHAIRMAN IF YOU ARE INTENDING TO RECORD THIS MEETING**

None.

54/18/19 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

- a. Declarations from Members of any registerable (5A of the Code of Conduct) and/or non-registerable (5B) interests in matters to be considered at this meeting.
- b. Declarations from Members of Matters of Public Interest regarding matters to be considered at this meeting.
- c. Dispensations required:

Councillor	Agenda Item	Pecuniary/Non-Pecuniary	Reason
None.			

55/18/19 **QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

None.

56/18/19

TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN ON DEVOLUTION STRATEGY PROPOSALS:

Councillor Brady presented his report following the resolution made at FTC on the 1st October 2018 Minute number 323/18/19.

Following the regatta, the cutting of the three greens at the Waterfront and Waterside was being carried out every ten days by the Town and Waterfront Wardens using STC's ride on mowers, or when it was deemed worth cutting, with the last cut being around the middle of September. STC's current mowers are budgeted from the Burial Board and used regularly in the cemeteries and closed churchyard. If the equipment needs to be shared, then the budgets of the Burial Board and Services would need to be looked at and a re-charge made. Town and Waterfront Wardens are also keeping footpaths and walkways that are the responsibility of STC clean and tidy.

Any discussion around devolution will have a staffing implication and this needs to be discussed at the same time.

Using sub-contractors to carry out the cutting and tidying needs to be researched for price and timings versus buying our own equipment and employing staff.

Proposals and agreements to be with Cornwall Council by the 30th January 2019 so that Directors can give an answer in principal by the end of March 2019.

A Devolution Working Party is required to work with Catherine Thomson of Cornwall Council on this. Councillor Bickford offered to be on the Working Party plus the Chairmen from Services, Burial Board and Staffing.

Councillor Bickford left the meeting.

It was **RESOLVED** to note devolution priority changes as resolved by Full Council:

The change to the priorities of the Waterfront and Waterside assets phase 1 to priority 1 to include:

- Jubilee Green boat park
- Jubilee Green garages and dinghy racks
- Jubilee Green 12 hour stay long parking bays
- Jubilee Green slipway
- Jubilee Green
- Brunel Green
- Saltash town beach
- Sand Quay beach
- Ashtorre Slipway

Phase 2 to remain priority 2

Phase 3 to remain priority 3

Maurice Huggins/Victoria Park now be priority 1.

Open spaces now be priority 2

It was **RESOLVED** that Councillors Bickford, Dent, Parker, Phillips and Taylor be members of the Devolution Working Party to conduct negotiations with Cornwall Council.

It was **NOTED** that Services should consider when setting their budget, an extra £60,000 in their contingency budget.

57/18/19 **PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960**

Pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, it was **RESOLVED** that the public and press leave the meeting because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

58/18/19 **CONSIDER ANY ITEMS REFERRED FROM THE MAIN PART OF THE AGENDA**

None.

59/18/19 **PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960**

It was **RESOLVED** that the public and press be re-admitted to the meeting.

60/18/19 **URGENT NON-FINANCIAL ITEMS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN**

None.

61/18/19 **PRESS RELEASES**

None.

62/18/19 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

To be confirmed.

Rising at: 3.00p.m.

Signed: _____
Chairman

Dated: _____