

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE SOUTH MOLTON TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE BEECH ROOM, THE AMORY CENTRE, 125 EAST STREET, SOUTH MOLTON ON MONDAY 17 JULY 2017 AT 6.30PM

Present: In the Chair Cllr M. F. Way
Cllr M. Bushell Cllr Mrs J. Foster
Cllr D. J. Goodman Cllr Ms T. Lewis

In Attendance: Town Clerk Mr A. C. Coates
Cllr E. J. Moore – As an observer

F8/17 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Cornelius, Kingdon, C. Lock and S. Lock.

F9/17 **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Nil.

F10/17 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The following declarations of interest were read out by the Town Clerk:
Cllr Way – DPI – Item 9 – Putting in tender

F11/17 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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It was RESOLVED that these minutes be approved. Cllrs Bushell and Lewis abstained as they were not present at the previous meeting.

F12/17 **ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

It was unanimously RESOLVED that accounts in the sum of £52128.31 be approved for payment.

F13/17 **MUSEUM CURATOR'S POSITION**

Members noted that at a recent Staff Committee meeting it was resolved to increase the hours of the above position from 500 to 700 per annum. The Clerk advised members of the financial implication of this decision and it was RESOLVED not to approve this decision but it was agreed that a financial increase of £1000 per annum was acceptable. 3 For 2 Against - Cllrs Foster and Lewis.

F14/17 **DONATIONS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS/INDIVIDUALS**

Members considered an application for a donation from South Molton Sings and it was RESOLVED to award £250.00. 4 For 1 Against – Cllr Lewis
Members also noted a letter from Ellie Shapland requesting a donation towards an educational trip to Uganda. Following consideration of this request it was unanimously RESOLVED to award a donation of £150.00

F15/17 **QUARTERLY ACCOUNTS**

Members noted a copy of the quarterly accounts for the period 1 April 2017 to 30 June 2017 and it was unanimously RESOLVED that these be approved.

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Cllr Way declared a DPI in the following item and left the meeting and did not return.

F16/17 **PATHFIELDS BUSINESS PARK PHASE 4**

Members noted that at the last Town Council meeting members resolved to appoint Slee Blackwell to act for the Town Council in the tender process for the sale of Plot G at the above. The Clerk advised members of the applicable cost of £2500 for this instruction and it was unanimously RESOLVED that these be approved.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.16 pm.

Chairman

Date