

IVYBRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Policy and Resources Committee held in the Town Hall, Ivybridge on Monday 27 January 2020 at 7pm

Present: Cllr Mrs Laity (Chairman)
Cllr P Dredge
Cllr Mrs S Hladkij
Cllr A Khong
Cllr Mrs K Pringle
Cllr R Wilson

In attendance: Mrs Pauline Cleal, Senior Finance Officer

PR19/59 **APOLOGIES:** Apologies were received from Cllr Parsons.

PR19/60 **INTERESTS TO BE DECLARED:** The Chairman invited the declaration of any interests. Cllr Mrs Laity and Cllr Mrs Hladkij declared an interest in item 19/65. Cllr Dredge declared an interest in cheque number 014915, Item 19/64 DALC and an interest in debtors concerning SHCVS. There were no other interests declared.

PR19/61 **ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:** Members considered the accounts for payment for December 2019 (previously circulated). Cllr Dredge referred to a few payments, such as payment for membership of Chatty Café which is a scheme to encourage people to sit and chat who might otherwise be alone. Cllr Dredge also highlighted credit notes have now been received regarding the utilities. The Electronic payments were largely regular payments with some for repairs in Victoria Park and to host a Moor Otter in the Watermark, Spring 2020.

It was **RESOLVED** that the list for payments be approved in the sum of £100,296.63

PR19/62 **INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS:** Consideration was given to a report on the accounts for December 2019 (copy previously circulated). Cllr Dredge highlighted more sponsorship had been obtained for the Christmas festivities which was very welcomed. Cllr Dredge informed Members that the Watermark figures would be discussed in depth at the Watermark meeting on

the 28 January 2020, although he mentioned that the Business Manager and staff are doing all they can to promote and encourage business. Cllr Wilson highlighted that all hospitality venues were finding things more challenging.

It was **RESOLVED** to receive the accounts for December 2019.

PR19/63

DEBTORS UPDATE: The Committee considered the aged debtors report (previously circulated). Cllr Dredge advised that he had spoken to the Finance Officer and the list of outstanding debtors had been reduced. The Finance Officer chases on a regular basis. Cllr Wilson requested that the updated debtors list be brought to future meetings.

It was **RESOLVED** to receive the debtors update and bring an updated version of the debtors list to future meetings.

PR19/64

DALC: Members considered the memorandum and article of association (previously circulated). Cllr Dredge advised that DALC was to be formed into a company limited by guarantee as from April 2020 which meant that a Memorandum and Articles of Association had to be drawn up. They were based on those of another CALC but modified to suit DALC's requirements. There would be a board of directors to oversee staff and infrastructure and to ensure that the policy decisions of the County Committee were carried out.

It was **RESOLVED** to note and receive the memorandum and article of association.

19.15pm Cllr Mrs Laity and Mrs Hladkij declared an interest in Item 19/65 and left the meeting.

PR19/65

GRANT APPLICATION: Consideration was given to a letter from Ivybridge Theatre Company (copy previously circulated). Members agreed that a grant application be sent to Ivybridge Theatre Company and considered at a future meeting.

It was **RESOLVED** to send a grant application to Ivybridge Theatre Company.

19.20pm Cllr Mrs Laity and Mrs Hladkij returned to the meeting.

PR19/66

COMMUNITY RESILIENCE STEERING GROUP: Cllr Mrs Hladkij informed Members that the group were applying for a grant and Members agreed that Cllr Hladkij sign the application.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Community Resilience Steering Group apply for the grant from Devon Communities.

PR19/67

HEALTH AND SAFETY: Members noted the Health and Safety report (previously circulated) and no accidents or near misses in December 2019.

It was **RESOLVED** to note and receive the report.

In view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted it was advisable that the public and press be invited to withdraw.

19.29pm Foot Anstey Solicitors Mr Duncan Tringham and Mr John Catchpole joined the meeting

IN COMMITTEE

PR19/68

BUTTERPARK: Foot Anstey Solicitors Mr Duncan Tringham and John Catchpole gave a verbal update to the Members with regard the current position. Members requested that the Solicitors email the options and seek advice from NPS before taking to Full Council.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Solicitors would email the options and advice from NPS which would then be considered at the next Full Council meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.00pm

Signed.....

Chairman

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