FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE
22 JUNE 2015 AT 7.28 PM

Present

In the Chair Councillor H Sanham

Councillors  
K Beer  
M Hartnell  
S Polloni  
D Squire  

P Burrows (ex officio)  
T Woodman (ex officio)

In attendance Councillors A Bessford, M Pigott, R Webster

Town Clerk

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ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN
Councillor T Woodman proposed that Councillor H Sanham be elected as Chairman of the committee. The Motion was seconded by Councillor M Hartnell and Councillor H Sanham was duly elected as Chairman

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
There were no apologies for absence

DECLARATION OF INTEREST
Councillor P Burrows declared a non-pecuniary interest as a dual-hatted member in his capacity as a District Councillor

Councillor M Hartnell declared a non-pecuniary interest as a dual-hatted member in his capacity as a District Councillor

MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 13 April 2015 be taken as 997 read, agreed and signed as a correct record

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME
Mr I Barradale spoke about agenda item 12 – Progress and information – Christmas Activities and spoke about an agreement made in 2014 that the Seaton and District Lions organisation would organise
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the town’s Christmas Activities and that this would also happen in 2015. As such the organisation has made arrangements with the local school choir to attend the event. Mr Barradale went on to say that he had spoken to the Town Clerk who had advised that the Axe Valley Choir had not been booked for the event. Mr Barradale asked who was organising the Christmas activity events.

TERMS OF REFERENCE
RESOLVED that the Terms of Reference for the committees as at Item 6 of the agenda be agreed

SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS
Schedule of Accounts for Payment number 9 was submitted

RESOLVED that i) the Schedule of Accounts for March be agreed
          ii) the details of payments made and the latest bank statement and bank reconciliation details be noted

ALLOCATED RESERVES
Members considered Report 54/15 concerning the above (previously circulated)

RESOLVED that i) the Council’s allocated reserves be agreed
          ii) the Clerk investigate a new computer support system and maintenance programme for all office IT
          iii) the Clerk meet with the local Scout organisation to discuss the potential redevelopment of the existing Scout Hut site
          iv) details of proposals to alleviate the issue of encroachment at Elizabeth Road be bought back to a future meeting of the committee

TOWN DEVELOPMENT TEAM
Members considered Report 55/15 concerning the above (previously circulated)

RESOLVED that i) the background details of the Town Development Team be noted
          ii) that if the proposed transfer of the Tourist Information Centre to Devon Wildlife Trust is undertaken, that the current Tourist Information website be transferred as a whole to Devon Wildlife Trust
          iii) the details regarding the second phase of the Seaton Devon website and the need to allocate a budget as necessary, be noted
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PROPOSED JETTY
Members considered Report 56/15 concerning the above (previously circulated)

RESOLVED that
1002 i) the report regarding a proposed jetty for Seaton be noted
   ii) that a working party consisting of councillors P Burrows, A Bessford and R Webster be set up to investigate the potential for water borne transportation

ANNUAL REPORT
Members considered Report 57/15 concerning the above (previously circulated)

RESOLVED that a working party consisting of councillors D Squire and T Woodman be set up to agree
1003 the content of the Annual Report

PROGRESS AND INFORMATION
Members considered Report 58/15 concerning the above (previously circulated)

RESOLVED that
1004 i) the Council cheque signatories be councillors P Burrows, K Beer, T Woodman, H Sanham and M Hartnell
   ii) the request for an additional dog bin and the actions agreed with East Devon District Council be noted
   iii) the Town Council submit the comment that it is unhappy with the proposals as set out in the electoral review of Devon and requests that Axmouth be included with Seaton in any agree boundaries
   iv) the Council investigate the potential for a tree to be sited at Thury Harcourt, horse and cart trips and additional lighting at Fisherman’s Gap as part of the town’s Christmas Activities and that the Clerk liaise with the Town Development Team regarding the potential for a Christmas Tree festival and that councillor M Pigott work with local town businesses regarding a Christmas window display competition

Meeting closed at 9.05 pm

Chairman