

**STANLEY TOWN COUNCIL
FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE**

MINUTES

MEETING: TIME: 18:30; DATE: 11/03/15; VENUE: Stanley Civic Hall, Front Street, Stanley, DH9 0NA

PRESENT: CLLRS: D. Walker (Acting Chair), B. Nair, D. Tully, R. Harrison, D. Mills, R. Ferris, A. Clegg and J. Nicholson.

APOLOGIES: CLLR: D. Marshall.

ABSENT: CLLRS: T. Davinson, C. Bell.

OFFICIALS: D. Shingleton (Acting Town Clerk), N. James (PA/Note Taker).

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Cllr B. Nixon.

MINUTE	SUBJECT:	NOTE/S	ACTION/S
FGP.90-14	ITEM 1 - Apologies	Apologies received from Cllr D. Marshall were accepted by the Committee.	
FGP.91-14	ITEM 2 - Declarations of Interest	None.	
FGP.92-14	ITEM 3 - Procedural and Appropriate Announcements from the Chair	None.	
FGP.93-14	ITEM 4 - Minutes	It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 11 th February 2015 be approved as a correct record.	
FGP.94-14	ITEM 5 - Public Participation	There were no public in attendance, and no written questions submitted before the meeting.	
FGP.95-14	ITEM 6 - Invoices for Payment and Bank Reconciliation	The Acting Town Clerk talked members through his report. It was RESOLVED that Members: a) Approve the payments schedules. b) Note the total balances at the bank at the end of February 2015. c) Note that the bank balances and Sage accounting figures both agree, indicating	

		that all transactions are properly accounted for.	
FGP.96-14	ITEM 7 - Civic Hall Income and Expenditure	<p>The Acting Town Clerk noted his report on Income and Expenditure.</p> <p>Members questioned the cost of electricity again. The ATC noted that his Brother In Law would be coming in next week to look at the electricity usage in the building. The Hub will also be questioned as to where they receive their electricity and gas from and how much they pay each month.</p> <p>Cllr Nicholson questioned the charges for taking card payments. It was discussed that as they were increasing each month, and the Council were being charged for banking cash, it might be worth looking into changing banks to where charges were not incurred for banking money.</p> <p>It was RESOLVED that members noted the situation with Income and Expenditure.</p>	<p>Derek</p> <p>Derek</p>
FGP.97-14	ITEM 8 - Budgetary Control to 28 February 2015	<p>The Acting Town Clerk noted his report on Budgetary Control to 28 February 2015.</p> <p>He informed members that there would be an estimated underspend of £123,000. This money could be carried forward to 2015-16, which will be looked at in the end of year report.</p> <p>Once the earmarked £225,000 has been deducted from the remaining balance, there will be around £365,000 reserves uncommitted.</p> <p>It was RESOLVED that Members noted the budget position for the current year and the projected actual figures for the full year to 31 March 2015.</p>	
FGP.98-14	ITEM 9 - Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting	8 th April 2015, 6:30pm, Stanley Civic Hall	
	Notes taken by Nicola James (PA to the Town Clerk)	<p>Notes approved by:</p> <p>----- (Chair); ----- (Date)</p>	