MINUTES of the FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES MEETING of STANLEY TOWN COUNCIL held at Stanley Civic Hall on Tuesday 8th June 2021 at 6.30pm

- PRESENT: G Binney* A Hanson S McMahon
- H Clark A Jones O Milburn

A Clegg J Kane J Nicholson L Ferry J McMahon D Tully

*Chairman

OFFICERS: James Black (Town Clerk) Alan Tubman (Deputy Town Clerk) Ann Barry (Finance Officer)

17 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr A Hanson, Cllr J Nicholson, Cllr J McMahon and Cllr S McMahon all declared an interest in item 11 (review of Council meeting ban) and stated they would be leaving the meeting at this point.

19 PROCEDURAL AND APPROPIRATE ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

It was proposed by the Town Clerk, that if members had no objections, item 12 on the agenda could be moved to be heard prior to item 11 (Part B – Closed Session). This was agreed

20 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No questions had been received prior to the meeting.

21 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was proposed by Cllr J Kane, seconded by Cllr J McMahon that the minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee on the 9th March 2021 be **APPROVED** as a correct record of the meeting.

22 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AND BANK RECONCILLIATION

It was proposed by Cllr J Kane, seconded by S McMahon that the Council **APPROVE** the schedules of payments and receipts and **NOTE** the bank reconciliation for April 2021.

23 VEHICLE OPTIONS

It was proposed by Cllr J Kane and seconded Cllr A Jones, and **RESOLVED** that the Council continue with the current vehicle arrangements for the next six months and the Town Clerk report back to committee on revised options.

24 MINERS MEMORIAL

It was proposed by Cllr S McMahon, seconded by Cllr J Kane and **RESOLVED** that officers continue working on the project and periodically report back to Council on progress.

25 CASUAL STAFF RECRUITMENT CAMPAIGN

Members NOTED the report.

26 EVENTS WORKING GROUP

Members **NOTED** the report.

27 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was proposed by Cllr D Tully, seconded by Cllr J Kane **RESOLVED** that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the press, public and broadcast media are excluded from the meeting while the following item of business was conducted.

Recording of the proceedings was stopped at this point.

Cllr A Hanson, Cllr J McMahon, Cllr S McMahon, Cllr J Nicholson left the meeting

28 REVIEW OF COUNCIL MEETING BAN

It was proposed by Cllr J Kane, seconded by Cllr A Clegg and **RESOLVED** that the Governance group should look at developing a policy on the protection of the public and Councillors from abuse.

Cllr D Tully requested a recorded vote on the review of the council meeting ban.

It was proposed by Cllr D Tully, seconded by Cllr J Kane and **RESOLVED** by recorded vote, that a recommendation be made to Full Council for the member of the public previously banned from attending Council meetings to have their ban **REVOKED**.

Those for. Cllr G Binney, Cllr H Clark, Cllr L Ferry, Cllr A Jones, Cllr J Kane, Cllr D Tully, Cllr O Milburn, Cllr A Clegg.

Those against. None

Those abstaining. None

29 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, 13th July 2021, 6.30 pm Stanley Civic Hall.