

MINUTES of the FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES MEETING of STANLEY TOWN COUNCIL held at Stanley Civic Hall on Tuesday 12th October 2021 at 6.30pm

PRESENT: G Binney* H Clark A Clegg L Ferry
A Hanson A Jones J McMahon S McMahon
J Nicholson D Tully
*Chairman

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

110 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Members **ACCEPTED** an apology for absence from Cllr J Kane and Cllr O Milburn

111 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

112 PROCEDURAL AND APPROPRIATE ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

The meeting will be live streamed via the Stanley Town Council Youtube channel, and will be available for months.

Deputy Town Clerk has received information from Electoral Services on Monday 11/10/2021 that the vacancy in the Havannah Ward had been called to election. The Notice of Election is to go up on 25th October 2021 and if contested the by-election is expected to take place on 2nd December 2021.

The Deputy Town Clerk has also received notice from Durham County Council that the electronic Christmas tree is to be removed from DCC storage in their depot.

113 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

One member of the public was present and no questions had been received in advance of the meeting.

114 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was proposed by Cllr A Clegg and seconded by Cllr S McMahon that the minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee on 14th September 2021 be **APPROVED** as a true record.

115 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AND BANK RECONCILIATION

It was proposed by Cllr A Hanson and seconded by Cllr S McMahon

that the Council **APPROVE** the schedules of payments and receipts and **NOTE** the bank reconciliation for August 2021

116 BUDGET MONITORING REPORT JULY – SEPTEMBER 2021

Members **NOTED** the report.

117 EVENTS WORKING GROUP

Members **NOTED** the report, and a suggestion was made to register the Council Beacon as an official Beacon for Her Majesty the Queens Jubilee celebrations in 2022.

118 TOWN CLERK RECRUITMENT GROUP

Members **NOTED** the report

119 INTERIM TOWN CLERK

Members **NOTED** the report, and the intention to request Council approve the appointment of an interim Town Clerk

120 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, 9th November 2021, 6.30 pm Civic Hall, Stanley.