

## **Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting of Northallerton Town Council held at 3.30pm on Friday 8th April 2022 in the Town Hall**

Present: Cllr P Eames (Chairman), Cllr P Cornfoot, Cllr P Atkin, Cllr D Calvert, Cllr C Hutson and Cllr J Hutson

Also Present: Alexandra Robson, Clerk

FGP21/015 Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest

There were no apologies for absence

FGP21/016 Minutes

**It was resolved the minutes of the Finance & General Purpose Committee Meeting held on 12th November 2021 be approved as a correct record**

FGP21/017 Exclusion of the press and public

**It was resolved to exclude members of the press and public by virtue of Public (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, from FGP21/20 due to the confidential nature these items**

FGP21/018 Town Hall Building

Discussion took place regarding the requirements for maintenance of the Town Hall building in line with the councils responsibilities as custodians of a listed building and the following items were identified:

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| Rewire  | Windows    | Heating      | Lighting/LED |
| Roofing | IT Cabling | Redecorating |              |

Councillors reiterated their commitment to investing in the building but are concerned about the cost implications of work. They agreed it is imperative to get to a position where the building pays for its upkeep through hire and unit lets.

**It was resolved grant funding and loan options be sourced and this discussion continue at the next meeting**

FGP21/019 Income and Expenditure report of 2021 2022 and Annual Return documentation

The income and expenditure report was discussed, key priorities for the coming year are delivery of the public toilets, additional allotments and to increase bookings at the Town Hall.

Councillors reviewed the Annual Return Governance and Accounting Statements.

**It was resolved the Annual Return documentation be accepted and passed to Full Council for approval**

FGP21/020 Town Hall Lease Agreements

Discussion took place regarding the renewal of leases due in August 2022 and the reletting of vacant Unit 7.

**It was resolved the Clerk request an updated lease agreement from the solicitor and action the renewals**

FGP21/021 Provision of additional public toilets

Discussion took place about actions needed to progress the toilet project and identify the type of provision required.

**It was resolved the Clerk will circulate a public survey, request updated quotes and meet planning officers to discuss the outline under consideration**

FGP21/022 Correspondence

Feedback had been received from Applegarth School raising concerns over safeguarding in the Events Area. There were also ongoing concerns about safety since the bonfire.

**It was resolved the council will purchase a sweeper and clean the area after every event and request to meet with the residents to discuss their concerns**

FGP21/023 Next meeting

**It was resolved the next meeting will take place after the Annual Meeting**

The meeting closed at 5.15pm

Signed:  
Chairman

Date: