

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on
Tuesday, 16 June 2015 in the Civic Chamber, Council Offices, Skelmanthorpe**

PRESENT: Cllrs R Brook, G Turner, B Jewitt, S Hellewell, P Flinders, P Cassidy, M Blanshard, R Gott and N Denby

APOLOGIES: Cllrs J Depledge

IN ATTENDANCE: C Wadsworth, Clerk to the Council

15/001 Declarations of Interest & Appointment of F&GP Committee Vice Chairman

Cllrs Brook and Turner declared an interest in Item 9 on the agenda.

RESOLVED that Cllr Turner be elected as Vice Chairman of the F&GP Committee.

15/002 Open Session

No members of the public wished to speak.

15/003 Apologies for Absence

Reasons for absence from the meeting were submitted from Cllr J Depledge. **RESOLVED** that the reason for absence submitted by the councillor be accepted as valid. Cllr Cook was absent.

15/004 Admission of the Public

RESOLVED that there were no items requiring the exclusion of the press and public.

15/005 Expenditure Review

It was noted that the hanging baskets provided this year were not to the same standard as last year's displays. The Clerk was asked to find out if the specification had changed this year.

RESOLVED that the expenditure review be accepted.

RESOLVED that the F&G P Committee recommend to Full Council that £406 is vired from the Emley Show budget to Dog Bags/Dispensers budget line.

15/006 Grants for Consideration

Denby Dale District Rotary Club - RESOLVED that a grant be awarded for £400 towards the cost of an external defibrillator at the Dearne Valley Health Centre, using the power Public Health Act 1936 s.234

Nortonthorpe Hall School Grant Application - RESOLVED that the grant for £500 be awarded using the power Local Government Act 1972 s137.

15/007 Review of Effectiveness of Internal Audit

RESOLVED that the review of effectiveness of Internal Audit be recommended for approval by the Full Council.

15/008 Skelmanthorpe Library Building Asset Transfer Update

Cllr Brook informed the meeting that he and the Clerk had attended a meeting with Kathryn Harrison, Area Manager, who had again confirmed that library services would not be subletting any rooms or receive any income. Any requests for usage would go through the Council once the asset transfer was complete. It was agreed that the council push for the wording in the asset transfer document be amended, and Cllr Turner agreed to request this at his next meeting with the Chief Librarian and other senior officers.

15/009 Denby Dale Community Project Update

Cllr Brook updated councillors on the position of the DDCP, and referred to the email from Cllr Dodds on behalf of the project. £18,000 had already been awarded to the project, and a discussion was held around the remaining committed spend. It was confirmed that though the remit of the project had changed, legally the council could still support it, using the general power of competence provided by the Localism Act 2011.

RESOLVED that the Finance & General Purposes Committee recommend to Full Council that council remain committed to keeping the Denby Dale library open if this remains possible and that the balance of £22,000 be drawn down when constructions starts as per previous resolution (*Full Council, 7 January 2014 min ref: 12/380*).

15/010 Land at Denby Dale Station – Update

It was reported that Cllr Depledge had made contact with Naylor's, however as Cllr Depledge had not been able to attend the meeting no further update was available.

15/011 Orders for Payment

RESOLVED that the orders for payment no. 632 totalling £5,052.48 be approved for payment.

15/012 Councillor Training: Approval of any training requests received

No training requests had been received.

15/013 Date of next meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for 17 November 2015

Signed..... CHAIR