

MINUTES OF THE FINANCE, STAFFING & GENERAL PURPOSES

COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 15 JULY 2010

Present: Cllr P Moores – Chairman

Cllrs P Dolphin, L Emo (arrived 7.01pm), W B Garvie, P La Broy, F Partridge,
H Partridge

In attendance: Cllrs L Moores, P Tilzey

Mrs C Kett – Town Clerk

FS/43/10 To receive and accept apologies for absence

Cllr N Tucker

FS/44/10 To receive members declarations of interests

None

Cllr L Emo arrived 7.01pm

FS/45/10 Electors questions/observations

An elector commented upon the response from Cornwall Council regarding land at the Higher Wharf and detailed discussion followed

FS/46/10 Minutes:

- (i) **To consider and approve the minutes of the FS&GP Committee meeting held on 17 June 2010**

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting are a true and accurate record and they should be signed by the Chairman

Cllr P Dolphin requested that her vote against be recorded

- (ii) **Report by Town Clerk on matters arising from the minutes**

Nothing to report

FS/47/10 Financial Report:

- (i) **Schedule of payments already made 2 July – 15 July 2010**

Resolved: That all payments already made (V284: £30,614.41) be approved

- (ii) **Schedule of payments to be made 2 July – 15 July 2010**

Resolved: That all payments to be made (V285 – V319 inc: £8,769.76) be approved

FS/48/10 Consideration of draft versions of the policies below and Recommendation as to their adoption:

- (i) **Anti Fraud & Corruption Policy** (*draft copy circulated to all cllrs*)

Recommended: That the Town Council adopts the Policy

- (ii) **Confidential Reporting (Whistleblowing) Policy** (*draft copy circulated to all cllrs*)

Recommended: That the Town Council adopts the Policy

FS/49/10 Audit Commission – Annual Return for the year ended 31 March 2010

The Town Clerk reported that she would circulate a copy of the External Auditors opinion to all councillors prior to the next full Council meeting

Resolved: That the report of the External Auditor is noted

FS/50/10 Cornwall Council: Empty Homes Strategy – consultation response required by 2 August 2010

Resolved: That this Council notes with astonishment the percentage of long term empty and second homes in Cornwall (10%) and would urge that central government be lobbied to introduce a punitive tax be imposed on such properties or that Cornwall Council be permitted to use such properties for the homeless or those in need

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.35 pm

Signed.....Date.....