

THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
RESOURCES COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, SHOTTON HALL,
PETERLEE ON MONDAY 5TH MARCH 2018 AT 6.30PM

PRESENT: COUN A WATSON (CHAIR)

Mesdames:- K Liddell, S Simpson, A C Long, K Hawley, L Fenwick, K J Duffy
& M A Cartwright

Messrs:- S D McGlen, S Miles, A T Wilkinson, R Moore, A S H Meikle, T
Duffy & C Watkins

The Chairman advised Members of the committee that part of the meeting may be recorded by both audio and video, and it may be that photographs were taken.

Prior to the start of the meeting the Chair expressed his sincere appreciation for all workers, council staff, emergency services, the man and woman in the street, neighbours etc who had gone above and beyond for each other in the recent bad weather, he said he really appreciated their efforts and felt it showed that community spirit was alive and kicking in Peterlee.

83. Apologies for Absence

Apologies had been submitted and accepted from Councillors S McDonnell, S Kirkup, J Robinson, G Carne and S P Franklin. **RESOLVED the Council approve the reasons submitted at the meeting for absence received from the Councillors listed, and their apologies for absence be recorded.**

84. To receive declarations of interest

Members were reminded of the need to disclose any interests in items on this agenda, whether pecuniary or otherwise. **RESOLVED it be noted both Councillors Meikle and A Watson declared an interest in item 7 relating to a request for concessionary use by the Cricket Club.**

85. The Minutes of the Last Meeting

Members approved the minutes of the last meeting of this Committee held on 8 January 2018 and they were signed as a true and correct record.

86. Report of the Finance Sub Committee of the 8th February 2018

Members were requested to note the payments approved at the meeting of this sub committee held on 8th February 2018, a copy of the minutes had been previously circulated. **RESOLVED the payments made at the meeting held on 8th February 2018, be endorsed.**

87. Quarter 3 budget outturn report: 1 April 2017 to 31 December 2017

Members were presented with a summary report of the budget outturn figures for the first three quarters of the current financial year, 1st April 2017 to 31st December 2017. **RESOLVED the contents of the report, be noted, along with Appendices 1 & 2 of the report which set the quarter 3 variances by budget head and summary explanations for each variance over 15%.**

88. Policy on the use of Council Facilities & Resources by Councillors

Members were asked to consider and agree a policy on the use of council facilities and resources by Councillors. **RESOLVED this item be referred to the Council Meeting for further consideration.**

89. Request for concessionary use of Shotton Hall Banqueting Suites

Members were asked to consider the following application for concessionary use of Town Council Facilities:

Peterlee Cricket Club, Sportsman's Dinner, Thursday 29th March 201

(power: Local Government Act 1972, s.144)

RESOLVED free use of Shotton Hall Banqueting Suites for this event be agreed, subject to over 150 persons attending.

90. Dene Community School, Duke of Edinburgh Award, Fundraising towards new equipment, transport and site fees

(power: Local Government Act 1972 s137)

Members gave consideration to this request for financial support, **RESOLVED a donation of £2,293.24 be made towards the cost of pupils from Dene Community School taking part in the Duke of Edinburgh Award.**

91. Honoraria Guidance

Members were asked to approve an 'Honoraria Guidance' document for Managers to use when considering awarding honoraria payments for staff. **RESOLVED approval be given and the guidance document be adopted for use by the Town Council.**

92. Peterlee Town Council budget 2018/19

Members were to be presented with a report on the final draft budget for 2018/19, prior to final approval by Council later in March. There were several queries and the Chair took Members through the report page by page and the Clerk in turn noted the items raised to adjust the draft accounts as discussed. **RESOLVED the contents of the report be noted and the final detail budget for 2018/19 be presented to the Council Meeting.**