



HAILSHAM TOWN COUNCIL
FINANCE, BUDGET AND RESOURCE COMMITTEE

REPORT (Minutes)

of the meeting of the Finance, Budget and Resource Committee,
held at the Fleur de Lys Council Chambers, Market Street, Hailsham
On Wednesday 8th February 2017 at 7.30 p.m.

Prior to commencement of formal business, a period of not more than 15 minutes was assigned for the purpose of permitting members of the public to address the Committee or ask questions (on matters relevant to the responsibilities under the direction of this committee).

Mr Steve Potts Gleneagles Residents Association spoke about road safety and traffic control. Question about raising funding for a feasibility study and match funding, Cllr Laxton advised to speak to Sussex Police. Cllr Collinson advised to contact Sussex Road Safer Partnership.

FBR/16/6/
93 **Present:** Ms A O'Rawe (Substituting for M. Pinkney), F. Berry, N. Coltman, N. Collinson, R. Grocock, M. Laxton, C. Tasane (Substituting for G. Moore), & C. Triandafyllou (Chairman)

94 **Officers Present:** Mrs. M. Hagger (Finance Officer)

95 **Apologies For Absence:** M. Pinkey & G. Moore

96 **Declarations of Interest:** The following Councillors declared personnel interests as they are members of various community groups:

Cllr Grocock – Environment Hailsham – No Vote

Cllr Collinson – Bonfire Society (President) – No Vote, Hailsham Active - No Vote & Now! Charity

Cllr Coltman – 249 ATC Squadron (President)– No Vote

Cllr Laxton – Demelza & Hailsham Active

Cllr Berry – Hailsham Bonfire Society

97 **Minutes of Previous Meetings**

RESOLVED to note the Minutes and Reports of the Meeting of the Finance, Budget & Resource Committee (Ref: FBR/16/5/80-92) held on the 18th January 2017 as being correct record of this meeting.

98 **Annual Grants 2017/18**

98.1 The Chairman advised the FBR committee allocated for grants is £10,500.00
The Total amount requested was £26,786.16

Discussion ensued regarding the procedure for awarding the grants, It was advised that 2 ongoing grants are set with the precept which is as follows:

Hailsham Old Pavilion Ltd - £3,000.00

Citizen Advice Bureau (Hailsham) - £13,287.00

These grants are a result of a previous resolution by Hailsham Town Council and are ongoing.

99 **RESOLVED** to recommend that these two grant's items be reviewed when the FBR committee look at the 2018-19 budget.

100 Discussion ensued regarding each of the applications.

101 **RESOLVED** that the FBR Committee recommend that the council award or not award the following community organisation annual grants. Reasons for not awarding are noted for each organisations:

Diplocks Trust - Does not meet the criteria as it's not a project.

Bonfire Society – Awarded £1,000.00

Royal Air Forces Assoc. (Hailsham) – Does not meet the criteria as it's not for a particular project.

Hailsham Active – Awarded £2,000.00 however this covers the applications from Hailsham Cricket Club, Hailsham Tennis Club and Hailsham Bowling Club

Cllr Tasane and Cllr Berry would like their abstention noted. Cllr A O'Rawe to have her vote against noted.

Gleneagles Residents Association – To be referred to the next Strategic Project Committee in relation to revitalization of Residents Associations.

Hailsham & District Footpaths Associations – Don't qualify under the grant criteria.

Friends of Demelza - Awarded £200.00

Cllr Laxton would like her abstention noted.

HOPS - Does not met the criteria as it's not for a particular project.

Cuckmere Flood Forum – not met the criteria as it's not for a particular project.

Cllr Berry would like his abstention noted.

1st Hellingly Scouts – As it's based in Hellingly it does not met the criteria of the grants process.

Wealden Writers – Does not met the criteria as it's not for a particular project.

Hailsham Horticultural Society – Awarded £200.00

Cllr R. Grocock left the meeting.

Environment Hailsham – Awarded £4,000 with the caveat that the association becomes more self sufficient and self funded.

Cllr R. Grocock returned to the meeting.

Eastbourne & Community First Responders – Does not meet the grants criteria as out of the Hailsham area.

Cllr Collinson would like his vote against noted and Cllr Grocock would like his abstention noted.

NOW! Charity Group Ltd – Awarded £750.00

Hailsham Parish Church – Cannot align to one religious group.

Hailsham Healthy Living Committee – Part of another Association requesting a grant. No Grant awarded.

249 ATC Squadron – Awarded £500.00

Hailsham Foodbank – Awarded £250.00

Cllr Berry would like his vote against noted.

East Sussex WRAS – Awarded £500.00

Sussex Community Dev. Ass SCDA - Awarded £552.00

Cllr Tasane would like his abstention noted.

Hailsham Choral Society – Awarded £250.00

Cllr Tasane and Cllr Berry would like their vote against noted.

102 **RESOLVED** to recommend that the Total of £10,202.00 to be awarded to the local community groups.

The Town Clerk is to invite the East Sussex WRAS to come to the Annual Town Meeting.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9.05pm

CHAIRMAN