# THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE

## RESOURCES COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, SHOTTON HALL,

## PETERLEE ON MONDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> SEPTEMBER 2018 AT 6.30PM

PRESENT: COUN A WATSON (CHAIR)

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

Messrs:- C Watkins, S Miles, A Wilkinson, R Moore & T Duffy

## 22. <u>Apologies for Absence</u>

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

#### 23. <u>To receive declarations of interest</u>

Members were reminded of the need to disclose any interests in items on this agenda, whether pecuniary or otherwise. Councillor R Moore declared an interest in item 28.

#### 24. <u>The Minutes of the Last Meeting</u>

Members approved the minutes of the last meeting of this Committee held on 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2018 and they were signed as a true and correct record.

#### 25. <u>Report of the Finance Sub Committees of the 19<sup>th</sup> July & 23 August 2018</u>

It was suggested that there needed to be a review of the current procedures for the payment of accounts. **RESOLVED the payments approved at the meeting of this sub committee held on 19<sup>th</sup> July and 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2018, a copy of the minutes had been previously circulated, be noted. FURTHER RESOLVED a review of the current arrangements for the payment of accounts be undertaken.** 

- 26. <u>Request for Financial Assistance</u>
  - (a) <u>East Durham FC, further consideration detailed costing provided, along with a</u> <u>Football Development Plan</u>

**RESOLVED** a grant of £300.00 be made to this team.

(b) <u>Peterlee Helford Under 10's – towards running costs</u> **RESOLVED a grant £250.00 be made to this Team.** 

FURTHER RESOLVED any funding awarded to all sports clubs be on the understanding the clubs make contact and the offer of the support from the Sports & Wellbeing Manager to develop a Sports Development Plan be taken up.

(c) <u>Peterlee Rainbows Brownies Guides, safe area & grounds maintenance works</u> **RESOLVED a grant of £550.00 be made to this Group**.

(d) <u>Little Treasures, towards the cost of sessions held at Oakerside Community Centre</u> **RESOLVED a grant of £470.00 be made to this Group.** 

(e) <u>Fusco Media, photography classes</u> **RESOLVED this request be refused.** 

(f) <u>Castle Eden Dene Walk and Nature Trail, funding towards willow woven animal</u> <u>sculpture</u>, (steel)

**RESOLVED** a grant of £370.00 be made towards this project.

FURTHER RESOLVED when a grant award is made the group be invited to come along to the Council to accept their cheque and this be publicized on the web site/social media.

Members were asked to give some feedback on the current grant funding scheme and several suggestions were offered including grants agreed not be more than requested; if an application is made and is successful, the group cannot apply for the following year; when a group is given their award, they be requested to collect it in person and a photograph be taken for the Town Council web site and feedback on the project be provided. **RESOLVED an updated grants policy be submitted for approval with these suggestions incorporated.** 

## 27. Donation to the Armed Forces – Royal British Legion/SAAFA

This item had been referred from the Event Working Party held on 24 July 2018.

RESOLVED a grant of £200.00 be made to the Royal British Legion in lieu of poppy livery displayed on Town Council vehicles. FURTHER RESOLVED this be paid annually each time it was used and a budget be provided for it.

## 28. <u>Concessionary Use - Ava Bailey Fundraiser, Shotton Hall, 25<sup>th</sup> October 2018</u>

# **RESOLVED** free use be granted for this fund raising event to be held at Shotton Hall on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2018.

## 29. Volunteer Policy

A copy of the policy for the use of volunteers by the Town Council was circulated for Member's consideration and approval. There were several suggestions made on the draft policy and the application form and it was noted elected Members were not classed as volunteers. **RESOLVED a second draft be circulated for approval at a future Meeting.** 

#### 30. <u>Purchase of John Deere Tractor</u>

Members were requested to approve the purchase of a John Deere Tractor and attachments from Greenlay Limited at a value of £20,215.02. The Chair advised the report would not be considered as it had not been received by Members until that afternoon. **RESOLVED the report be considered at a future Meeting.**