

EXMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF EXMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AT EXMOUTH TOWN HALL ON THURSDAY 19TH MARCH 2020

PRESENT: Councillors: L Elson
S Gazzard
P Millar
A Sadiq (Chair)

OFFICERS: Lisa Bowman - Town Clerk, Julie Gregory – Minute Taker

F20/013 APOLOGIES

Cllrs B Bailey, F Cullis, O Davey, J Humphreys, C Nicholas, B Toye, J Whipps

F20/014 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13TH FEBRUARY 2020

The minutes of the meeting held on 13th February 2020 were approved and signed as a correct record. Proposed by Cllr L Elson & seconded by Cllr S Gazzard.

**F20/015 MATTERS ARISING FROM FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
NONE.**

F20/016 DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND DISPENSATION

Item	Councillor	Declaration type		Reason
		Pecuniary	Personal	
6	L Elson		x	Treasurer Exmouth & District Community Transport Group
			x	Friend of Exmouth in Bloom
6	S Gazzard		x	Exmouth Town Council representative of Exmouth & District Community Transport Group
			x	Friend of Exmouth in Bloom
				Trustee of Museum Society of Exmouth

F20/017 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

There were no items to be dealt with that necessitated the exclusion of the press and public.

F20/018 TO REVIEW THE SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT APPLICATIONS 202/21

Each application was discussed in detail and the amount awarded agreed individually with all applications then approved on block.

The Committee agreed it would be prudent to award payments annually and only in extreme circumstances to award three-year agreements; also that payments should be split into two and paid in April & September. This was to mitigate any associated risk to the Council. It was agreed that the RFO would contact each applicant in due course to finalise the terms of the Service Level Agreement and agree target outcomes / reporting requirements.

The Committee raised concerns that during the current crisis the Council may be approached for financial help from more charities. The RFO explained that there was no money in earmarked reserves for additional grants, but that underspend in that budget line from 2019/20 could be used to create an earmarked reserve for 2020/21, thereby increasing the grant funding pot to help the community.

Proposed: Cllr Steve Gazzard

Seconded: Cllr P Millar

Applicant	Description	Amount Approved
Citizens Advice East Devon	Core activities	£5500 per annum
Exmouth Town Football Club	Provision of night landing site for air ambulance	£3500 total
Museum Society of Exmouth	Maintaining museum exhibits	£1000 per annum
Exmouth Beach Rescue Club	Provision of voluntary lifeguards on Exmouth beach on Sundays and Bank holidays	£1500 per annum
Exmouth in Bloom	Core activities	£5400 per annum
Exmouth Community College	Staff, travel and uniform costs - cadet force	£1000 per annum
Exmouth District Community Transport	Core activities	£5218.40 per annum
Exmouth Musical Theatre Co	Core activities	£1000.00 per annum
Exmouth Swimming and Lifesaving Society	Training costs	£800 per annum

F20/019 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting is 14th May 2020

The meeting closed at 6.45pm

SIGNED.....
Chairman

DATED.....