

# EXMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

## Finance Committee

**Meeting held remotely via ZOOM at 6pm on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2021.**

**Present:**

Councillors

A Sadiq (Chairman)

F Cullis.

C Nicholas.

O Davey.

B Toye.

L Elson.

J Whipps.

S Gazzard.

**Officers:**

Lisa Bowman, Town Clerk. Julie Gregory, Minute Taker.

**Apologies:**

None

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.

**Public Forum:**

Adam Fitzgerald from Exmouth FC and Graham Nye from National Coastwatch were observers of the meeting. Both were invited to speak in support of their respective applications during the meeting.

**F21/012. Finance Committee meeting minutes.**

It was proposed by Councillor Joy Whipps, seconded by Councillor Lynne Elson, and unanimously agreed that the minutes from the previous meeting should be approved.

**F21/013. Matters arising from previous minutes.**

None.

**F21/014. Declarations of pecuniary interests and dispensations.**

Declaration type				
Item	Councillor	Pecuniary	Personal	Reason
7	L Elson		X	Treasurer Exmouth & District Community Transport Group.
7	C Nicholas		X	Exmouth Town Councillor representative.
6	S Gazzard		x	Trustee of Museum Society of Exmouth.

**F21/015. Exclusion of the Press and public**

There were no items which necessitated the exclusion of the press and public.

**F21/016. To review and approve Council's Investment Strategy 2021/22**

Noted and approved.

**Proposed Cllr A Sadiq**  
**Carried unanimously.**

**Seconded: Cllr C Nicholas**

**F21/017. To review the Service Level Agreement Applications for 2021/22**

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

The Committee agreed that payments should be split into two and paid in April & September. This was to mitigate any associated risk to the Council. The total amount of the applications was £25,659.05 which exceeded the budgeted grant amount of £25,000; the Committee therefore agreed to take the extra £659.05 from the underspend in the grants budget for the year 2020/21.

**RESOLVED that: the SLA applications be approved with the shortfall taken from the underspend in the grants for the budget year 2020/21.**

**Proposed: Cllr J Whipps**  
**Carried unanimously.**

**Seconded: Cllr F Cullis**

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount Approved</b>
Citizens Advice East Devon	Core activities	£5,500 per annum
Exmouth Town Football Club	Provision of night landing site for air ambulance	£3,500 per annum
Museum Society of Exmouth	Maintaining museum exhibits	£1,000 per annum
Exmouth Beach Rescue Club	Provision of voluntary lifeguards on Exmouth beach on Sundays and Bank holidays	£1,500 per annum
Exmouth in Bloom	Core activities	£6,000 per annum

Exmouth District Community Transport	Core activities	£5,359.05 per annum
Exmouth National Coastwatch NCI	Running costs for the Station and Tower	£2,000.00 per annum
Exmouth Swimming and Lifesaving Society	Training costs	£800 per annum

**F21/018. Date of next meeting**

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2021

The meeting concluded at 6.45pm

Signed.....

Date.....

(Chairman)