

# MACCLESFIELD TOWN COUNCIL

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

Minutes for the meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at 7.00pm at **Macclesfield Town Hall**.

In attendance: Cllr Liz Durham  
Cllr Beverley Dooley  
Cllr Martin Hardy  
Cllr Gareth Jones

Also in attendance was the Town Clerk.

### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr Chris Andrew  
Cllr Adam Schofield  
Cllr Alift Harewood

### **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillors Durham and Dooley declared non pecuniary interests in item 4.7, being aware of the applicant.

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The Chairman adjourned the meeting to invite members of the public to address the committee with any comments or questions.

Representatives of Macclesfield Armed Forces and Veterans Breakfast Club Spoke to highlight the aims of their organisation and their grant application (at item 4.8).

The meeting was reconvened.

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### **3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE ON 15<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2018**

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes are approved as a true record of the meeting

#### **4. GRANT APPLICATIONS**

**4.1 Cygnets – performance event - £250**

**RESOLVED:** That the grant for £250 is approved

**4.2 SilkFest – Film Festival - £250**

**RESOLVED:** That the grant for £250 is approved

**4.3 Macclesfield Library – event and display - £654**

**RESOLVED:** That the grant for £654 is approved

**4.4 Macclesfield Civic Society – Civic Awards - £250**

It was agreed that this regular funding should form part of the Community Delivery Budget in an aim to make the funding of this group more assured.

**RESOLVED:** That the grant for £250 is approved

**4.5 Friends for Leisure – Fallibroome drama group - £1,853**

**RESOLVED:** That the grant for £1,853 is approved

**4.6 Macclesfield Literary & Philosophical Society – Promotion - £50**

**RESOLVED:** That the grant for £50 is approved

**4.7 Youth Fed – Community Service - £1,686.55**

**RESOLVED:** That the grant for £1,686.55 is approved

**4.8 Macclesfield Armed Forces and Veterans Breakfast Club (MAFVBC)  
– Engagement events and activities - £1,984.75**

**RESOLVED:** That the grant for £1,984.75 is approved

**4.9 St Peter’s Church – Commemoration Event - £1,800**

**RESOLVED:** That the grant for £1,800 is approved

**4.10 St Michael’s Church – Hand dryers - £250**

**RESOLVED:** That the grant for £700 is approved

**4.11 Age UK – Facility improvement (boiler) - £894.12**

**RESOLVED:** That the grant for £894.12 is approved

**5. CASHBOOK AND ACCOUNT RECONCILIATION**

**RESOLVED:** That the spend and reconciliation is approved for recommendation to council

**6. INTERIM INTERNAL AUDIT**

**RESOLVED:** That the internal audit report is received and noted

**7. ENTERPRISING MACCLESFIELD – ANNUAL PROJECT FUNDING**

The application for funding was discussed at length. It was expressed that working with the group had been very helpful and positive for officers and that the funding was within budget.

Members expressed support for the work, but sought much clearer evidence of value for money. Evidence requested was:

- Specific case studies of successful outcomes
- That contact details for such case studies should be made available to the committee to seek first hand views of the services provided by the group
- That the sponsorship initiative will lead to project financial sustainability and that this will be demonstrated through projected income figures
- That through the evidence provided by the applicant, clear value for money can be demonstrated, noting the unit cost of intervention for funding received and the value to local community and economy.

**8. MEMBER ITEMS**

**9. DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next meeting of the Finance Committee is 7pm, 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2018 at **Macclesfield Town Hall**

Meeting closed at 8.24pm

Chair      Cllr Liz Durham  
Clerk      Pete Turner

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