

**MINUTES OF THE FINANCE/PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING** held in Committee Room No. 3, St. John's Hall, Penzance on Thursday 3 December 2009 at 7.00pm

**PRESENT**

Councillor M R Cotton (Chairman)  
Councillor J H Dixon (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors M Freeman  
J Ruhmund  
C A C White

**34. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – were received from

Councillors D J Axford, R A Mann

Absent without apologies: Councillor H Worth

**35. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None received.

**36. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 5 NOVEMBER 2009**

Having been circulated, it was

**RESOLVED** - that the Chairman sign the Minutes as a true and correct record.

**37. THANK YOU LETTERS**

The Town Clerk reported that letters of thanks for grants had been received from the following organisation:

(a) The Sequal Trust

**38. BUDGET REVISION 2009/2010 AND PROPOSED BUDGET 2010/2011**

The Town Clerk informed members that, at the three other standing committee meetings, it had been agreed that an informal meeting would be held in January 2010 to allow members to bring forward items to be considered for next year's budget and to review short, medium and long-term priorities for the Town Council over the next three years.

**39. APPLICATIONS FOR GRANT**

(a) Minor Awards

(i) Freshbrook Close Christmas Lighting Association

An application for grant funding from the Freshbrook Close Christmas Lighting Association to assist with a proposed summer festival had been reviewed at the Finance and Property Committee meeting on 5 November and it had been resolved that a grant towards the cost of the Freshbrook Close Christmas lights would be possible.

The Association had now responded and would be pleased to receive a donation towards the lights and it was

**RESOLVED** – to make a grant of £50 towards the cost of the Christmas lights and to suggest that the Mayor be invited to switch on the lights.

**40. TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE CHRISTMAS CLOSING**

Members were informed that the Town Clerk's Office would be closed from 12 noon on Thursday 24 December 2009 until 9am on Monday 4 January 2010.

**41. BUSINESS FROM OTHER COMMITTEES**

General Purposes Committee meeting on 30 November 2009

During discussions of budget priorities for the next financial year, Councillor Ruhrmund raised the issue of allotment provision and the current long waiting list and it was agreed that the possibility of acquiring land to provide further allotments would be reviewed at the budget meeting in January. Councillor White mentioned that PHA may have some land available that could be suitable for allotments and a meeting with PHA would be organised to discuss the possibility of moving this forward.

The meeting closed at 7.40pm

Chairman  
21 January 2009