

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE **FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE** HELD AT
NEWTON'S PLACE, 43 WOLBOROUGH STREET, NEWTON ABBOT ON
WEDNESDAY 30th MARCH 2022 AT 6.00 P.M.

PRESENT: Councillors C N Parker (Chairman) Presiding
D Corney-Walker (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors P Bullivant A Hall
C Bunday (Dep Mayor) R Jenks
R Hayes M Ryan
M Hocking

Officers in Attendance: Sam Scott - Deputy Town Clerk and RFO
Linda McGuirk - Principal Administrator
Sally Henley – Town Development Manager

By invitation Emily Farrell

393. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors
K Crout, R Hall, D Howe, C Jenks, A Jones and M Joyce (Mayor) and Phil
Rowe – Town Clerk.

394. INTERESTS

None.

395. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Finance & Audit Committee held on 23rd
February 2022 were received and signed as a correct record.

Cllrs A Hall, P Bullivant and R Jenks abstained from voting.

396. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

397. FUNDING

Members considered a request for the Town Council to create and manage a
'Grow Your Ideas' grant fund to support the Newton Abbot & District
Community Plan' review. The Chairman invited Emily Farrell to present the
report which had been circulated prior to the meeting and included the
following recommendations:

1. That Councillors agree that the sum of £8,000 is committed to the Grow
Your Ideas fund in the financial year 2022/23. A maximum of £500

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2. That Councillors delegate decisions regarding those grants to a grant award panel.
3. That Finance & Audit Committee nominate a minimum of two Town Councillors to join the grant award panel.

The Chairman reminded members that £20,000 has been allocated in the budget to support the Community Plan re-launch and agreement is now required to use part of the allocated funds.

Members discussed the procedure for managing grant applications.

Accordingly, it was

RESOLVED that the Town Council hereby:

- a) Provides a 'Grow Your Ideas' fund, in accordance with the recommendations contained within the report, of £8,000 from the £20,000 allocated within the 2022/23 budget for the Community Plan relaunch.
- b) The grants award panel should consist of the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Finance & Audit Committee, the RFO, Town Development Manager and Emily Farrell. It was agreed that if nominated representatives were unavailable to attend a grant award panel meeting, they should seek an alternative member of the Finance & Audit Committee to attend.

398. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting would be Wednesday 29th June 2022.

Meeting closed at 6:15pm

Chairman.....Date.....

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