



# ABINGDON-ON-THAMES TOWN COUNCIL

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## **Finance, Governance and Asset Management Committee, 26 July 2022 DRAFT MINUTES**

### **Present in person:**

Cllr Samantha Bowring  
Cllr Jim Halliday  
Cllr Andrew Skinner

### **In attendance in person:**

Nigel Warner	Town Clerk
Victoria Moore	Properties Officer

### **In attendance online:**

Cllr Gabby Barody	
Cllr Neil Fawcett	
Cllr Ulrike Rowbottom	
Paula Lopez	(Locum Deputy Clerk)
Dan Sancisi	Museum Manager

## **SECTION I (Open to the Public Including the Press)**

### **F19/22. Apologies**

Apologies were received from the Mayor, Cllr Andy Foulsham.

### **F20/22. Declarations of interest**

There were no declarations of interests.

### **F21/22. Statements and Questions from the Public**

None.

### **F22/22. Minutes**

It was **proposed** by Cllr Halliday, **seconded** by Cllr Skinner, and **RESOLVED** that, the

minutes of the meeting of the Finance, Governance and Asset Management Committee of 21 June 2022 be **APPROVED** and be signed by the Chair as a correct record.

### F23/22. **Forward Plan**

The committee reviewed and noted Forward Plan which was **AGREED**.

### F24/22. **Actions Register**

The committee reviewed, noted and updated the Actions Register.

With regards to the Forward Plan and Action Register the Chair asked that future reports need to be clearer regarding different processes the Council are running and members should have some information regarding the different processes.

### F25/22. **Finance Report**

- (i) The committee received and considered the report from the Finance Officer, it was **proposed** by Cllr Halliday, **seconded** by Cllr Bowring, and **RESOLVED that**, this be **APPROVED**.
- (ii) The committee received and considered the Management accounts for this committee for the period ending 30 June 2022. It was **proposed** by Cllr Halliday, **seconded** by Cllr Skinner, and **RESOLVED that**, these be **APPROVED**.
- (iii) The committee received and considered the Summary Management accounts for Full Council for the period ending 30 June 2022. It was **proposed** by Cllr Halliday, **seconded** by Cllr Skinner, and **RESOLVED that**, these be **APPROVED**.

### F26/22. **Property Matters**

The committee received and considered a report from the Properties Officer. It was **proposed** by Cllr Bowring, **seconded** by Cllr Skinner and, **RESOLVED** that this be **APPROVED**.

**Royse Drains** – work is progressing although there has been delay due to resources.

**Guildhall Stonework** – Awaiting dates for the work.

**Guildhall Roof** – Start date 3 October 2022.

These were **noted** by members.

Members were asked to approve the hanging of the WI Tapestry, members **APPROVED** and asked the Properties Officer to meet with the WI to find a suitable spot where it could be hung.

### F27/22. **Capital and Major Projects Prioritisation**

The Properties Officer was asked to work with the Finance Officer to look at prioritising projects in terms of meeting Council's objectives and bring this back to the next meeting.

#### **F28/22. County Hall**

The committee received and considered a report from the Museum Manager regarding the future use of the basement in County Hall and were asked to consider an extension to the license for One Planet Abingdon.

It was **proposed** by Cllr Bowring, **seconded** by Cllr Halliday and **RESOLVED** that the license be extended for 12 months, the Museum Manager to explore the legal side of granting a longer-term license/lease to bring back to the committee in September 2022.

The Museum Manager left the meeting at 7:45pm.

#### **F29/22. Future Agenda items**

Capital projects list – The Properties Officer  
One Planet lease for the basement of County Hall.  
(Clarification on which committee should hear this).  
Officers to report on surplus land - CONFIDENTIAL

#### **F30/22. Meetings for 2022/23 future meetings**

The date of the next meeting of the Finance, Governance and Asset Management Committee was noted as Wednesday 28 September 2022.

Cllr Neil Fawcett joined the meeting on-line.

#### **F31/22. Exclusion of the public, including the press**

The Chair moved that in accordance with section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 (as extended by Section 100 of the Local Government Act 1972), the public (including the press) be excluded from the meeting because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

The meeting open to the public closed at 7:50pm

#### **F32/22. Confidential Actions Register**

The confidential actions register was noted and updated.

#### **F33/22. Confidential - Abbey Hall.**

The committee received and considered a report from the Properties Officer. The report was noted, and the recommendation contained within the report was

**APPROVED.**

The meeting closed at 9:04pm.