



MINUTES

Finance and Democracy Committee

Date:	Monday, 15 August 2022
Venue:	Town Hall, St Annes.
Committee Members Present:	Councillor Karen Buckley (Chairman) Councillor Vince Settle (Vice-Chairman) Councillors Peter Anthony, Peter Collins, Ellie Gaunt, Will Harris, Matthew Lee, Liz Oades, David O'Rourke, Elaine Silverwood, John Singleton JP, Michael Withers.
Officers Present:	Tracy Manning, Ian Curtis, Darren Bell, Marie Percival, Sharon Wadsworth, Curtis Fletcher.
Other Attendees:	One member of the public

Public Platform

Mr Savic addressed the committee under Public Platform regarding the Windsports Centre at North Beach.

1. Declarations of Interest

Members were reminded that any disclosable pecuniary interests should be declared as required by the Localism Act 2011 and any personal or prejudicial interests should be declared as required by the Council's Code of Conduct for Members. No interests were declared on this occasion.

2. Confirmation of Minutes

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes of the Finance and Democracy Committee meeting held on 23 June 2022 as a correct record for signature by the Chairman.

3. Substitute Members

The following substitutions were reported under Council procedure rule 23 (c):

Councillor Will Harris substituted for Councillor Richard Redcliffe,

Councillor Matthew Lee substituted for Councillor Linda Nulty.

Decision Items

4. Exclusion of the Public

Ian Curtis, Head of Governance, introduced the report and in doing so highlighted the reasons for members to consider before passing the resolution.

Following a debate on the justification of not allowing commercially sensitive information to be discussed in the public domain it was RESOLVED to exclude the public from the meeting in accordance with the provisions of Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that the business to be discussed is exempt information

as defined under paragraph 3, information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) of schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

5. Public Offices Site – Clifton Drive North, St Annes - Capital Contribution and Lease Update

Marie Percival, Estates and Assets Manager, presented the report which highlighted increased renovation costs, in particular those identified on a recent survey to the Grade II listed building that had been exacerbated from wear and tear from weather and exposure due to delays, mainly, as a result of the pandemic.

The council had been approached to assist with the additional building costs to undertake the exterior repair work to the listed original aspect of the Public Offices site.

Following a discussion on the planning conditions and when the lease would be signed it was RESOLVED to:-

1. Approve an addition to the capital programme in the sum of £65,000 in 2022/23 fully funded from the capital investment reserve, to fund the works detailed in the report;
2. To approve the drawdown of £65,000 from the 2022/23 capital programme;
3. Approve revised terms for a 20-year lease for the Public Offices site, outbuildings, and adjacent land to Homebird with the option to purchase at any time as set out in the report;
4. Authorise the Chief Executive to approve the details within the contracts to be drawn up between the parties, consistent with the principles as described within the report, following consultation with the Chairman and the Vice Chairman of the Finance and Democracy Committee.

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