



Minutes of Meeting of the Finance and Compliance Committee held on 17 February 2025 at 6.30 pm Hybrid Meeting at the Ostreme Centre & via Teams

Councillors Present: Rob Marshall (Chair), Pam Erasmus (Vice Chair) Ian Scott, Martin O'Neill, Phil Keeton, Tim Zhou and Carrie Townsend Jones

Officers Present: Kerry Grabham – The Clerk, Diane Athernought – Customer Services Officer and Ian Hughes – CSO

FI2502-01 Apologies: None

FI2502-02 Declarations of Interest: None.

FI2502-03 Minutes of the Previous Meeting of the Committee
To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 20th January 2025 as a true record.

RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 20th January 2025 as a true record.

FI2502-04 Outstanding Actions from Previous Meeting

Outstanding actions outlined by CSO.

RESOLVED outstanding actions updated, details recorded in 'outstanding action' report by CSO.

Cllr Tim Zhou arrived at the meeting at 6.32pm

FI2402-05 Budget Monitoring Reports to 31/12/2024 - Paul Beynon, RFO
Financial reports prepared by RFO Paul Beynon, who had previously circulated reports to councillors.

No queries regarding these reports were raised prior to the meeting.

RESOLVED to approve the budget monitoring report to 31st December 2024.



FI2502-06 Sunshine Lotus Yoga Grant Application

Grant Application for £5,000 to support yoga within the community through Yoga 4 Health

Receipt of full financial accounts from applicant still pending.

RESOLVED: The application was deferred until the March Meeting pending full financial accounts being received by MCC.

FI2502-07 Cardiac Risk in the Young (CRY) Grant Application

Grant Application for £5,000 to contribute towards the screening of 100 young persons aged between 14 and 35 in relation to identifying heart-related issues.

The lack of a constitution was again highlighted during the discussion on this application together with enquiries needing to be made with Bishopston Community Council due to residents from that area benefiting from the screening.

RESOLVED: The application was deferred until the March Meeting pending enquiries from the applicant in relation to the need for a constitution to be provided. In addition, enquiries to be made with Bishopston Community Council with regard to sharing the cost of grant funding due to residents from both areas benefiting from the screening.

FI2502-08 St John's Ambulance Gower Division Grant Application

Grant Application for £4,999.16 to contribute towards the purchase of vital equipment for volunteers and includes expenditure for training.

The applicant had agreed to attend a committee meeting and provide a presentation on the application and address any queries from councillors.

RESOLVED: The application was deferred until the March Meeting pending consideration for the applicant to make a presentation at that meeting.



FI2502-09 MumblesBowls Club Grant Application

Grant Application for £2,242.62 to contribute towards the maintenance of the playing surface at Mumbles Bowling Green.

The consensus of the committee was that all three parties connected to the application (Mumbles Bowls Club, Oystermouth Bowls Club and Mumbles Croquet Club) should submit separate application for the March Meeting.

RESOLVED: Deferred until March Meeting pending separate applications from Mumbles Bowls Club, Oystermouth Bowls Club and Mumbles Croquet Club in relation to the maintenance of the playing surface.

FI2502-10 Policy Committee Update

Policy update on draft national guidance for grant applications.

The Clerk stated that advice had been sought from HR and that advice on supporting national charities already existed. Grants from national charities can be recommended at the council's discretion, but a benefit should be shown to the residents of the area in question

Meeting ended 7.01pm

Next Meeting 17th March 2025



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