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MINUTES

DRAFT Minutes of the meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held at 7pm on Wednesday, 29th July 2026, Elizabeth House, St Marys Road, Walmer

Present: Cllr P Jull, Cllr A Friend, Cllr D Richardson, Cllr M Eddy and Cllr T Grist.

Officer(s) Roland Aldred (Town Clerk)

173. ELECTION OF A CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE FOR 2026/27.

Cllr P Jull was the only nomination put forward.

RESOLVED – To appoint Cllr P Jull as the Chairman of Finance and General Purposes for the year 2026/27.

Proposed – Cllr A Friend

Seconded – Cllr M Eddy

For - 5

Against - 0

Abstain - 0

175. ELECTION OF A VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE FOR 2026/27.

Cllr M Eddy was the only nomination put forward.

RESOLVED – To appoint Cllr M Eddy as the Vice Chairman of Finance and General Purposes for the year 2026/27.

Proposed – Cllr A Friend

Seconded – Cllr T Grist

For - 5

Against - 0

Abstain - 0

175. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Cllrs P Ludwig, L Ludwig, S Waite-Gleave and Lee offered apologies that were accepted. Cllr J Murray offered apologies, but these were not seen until after the meeting had closed.

176. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

Cllr Jull Declared a VAOI in respect of items 180ii and 184 ii as a member of the trustees for the venue where the club trains.

177. OPENNESS AND TRANSPARENCY.

The Chairman reminded all present of their responsibilities under the Local Government Audit and Accountability act in respect of the public attending and recording meetings.

178. MINUTES.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 30th April 2026 were received.

RESOLVED – To accept to minutes of the 30th April 2026 as a true and accurate record.

Proposed – Cllr Friend

Seconded – Cllr M Eddy

For - 4

Against - 0

Abstain - 1

179. COUNCIL FINANCE UPDATES.

- i. To receive an update on the 2026/27 financial position vs the budget vs 2025/26 financial position for the councils spend.

RESOLVED – To note the financial update.

Proposed – Cllr M Eddy

Seconded - Cllr A Friend

For - 5

Against - 0

Abstain - 0

- ii. To note the bank reconciliation up to 30/06/26

RESOLVED – To note the bank reconciliation.

Proposed – Cllr A Friend

Seconded - Cllr M Eddy

For - 5

Against - 0

Abstain - 0

180. GRANT APPLICATIONS

Members received presentations from organisations that had applied for a small grant:

- i. Walmer Parish Churches

Members received a grant application form and a written pitch from Walmer Parish Churches for a grant of £500 towards the cost of a replacement floor at the Parish Hall. The current floor has been in situ for 40 years and needs replacement. The hall is a well-used community asset ad multiple quotes and solutions have been considered before selecting a solution.

- ii. TGI Tang Soo Do

Members received a grant application form and a written pitch from TGI Tango Soo Do for a grant of £500 towards replacement of training equipment. The Club is based out of the Landmark centre is very successful in national and international competitions. Recently a youth section has started with 8-14 years olds taking part, the frequency of these sessions is planned to increase.

182. RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE INTERNAL AUDITOR.

Members received a written report from the Clerk on recommendations that were made by the internal auditor.

RESOLVED - To recommend to Full Council that Financial Regulation 3.9 part 3 be changed from:

“Provide financial, legal or other advice including in relation to any future transactions.”

to:

“Provide financial, legal or other advice including in relation to any future transactions.

Other than appropriate in principle advice to the council, with regard to enhancing the good governance and efficiency from the internal auditor”

Proposed – Cllr M Eddy

Seconded – Cllr A Friend

For - 5

Against - 0

Abstain – 0

RESOLVED – To recommend to Full Council that a change be made to Financial Regulation 5.9 increasing the minimum requirement for attempting to get 3 quotes from £500 to £1000.

Proposed – Cllr A Friend

Seconded – Cllr M Eddy

For - 5

Against - 0

Abstain – 0

183. CONFIDENTIAL TO BE HELD UNDER THE PUBLIC BODIES (admission to meetings) ACT 1960

Members moved in to a confidential session.

RESOLVED – To move into a confidential session.

Proposed – Cllr A Friend

Seconded – Cllr M Eddy

For - 5

Against - 0

Abstain - 0

184. GRANT APPLICATIONS

i. Walmer Parish Churches

RESOLVED – To recommend a grant in the amount of £500 be made to Walmer Parish Churches.

Proposed – Cllr A Friend

Seconded – Cllr D Richardson

For - 5

Against - 0

Abstain – 0

ii. TGI Tang Soo Do

RESOLVED – To recommend to Full Council that a grant in the amount of £500 be made to TGI Tang Soo Do

Proposed – Cllr A Friend

Seconded – Cllr M Eddy

For - 3

Against - 1

Abstain – 1

183. DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

30th November 2026.

The meeting ended at 20.05.

Chairman:

Date:

DRAFT