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MINUTES OF THE FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE
held on TUESDAY 1 MAY 2024 at 7.00pm in The Guildhall, Launceston Town Hall

- PRESENT** Cllrs Bailey (Town Mayor), Gilbert (Deputy Mayor), Bullen (Chair), Conway, Heaton, Hogan, O'Brien, Soanes and Young
In attendance: Helen Gribble – RFO/Deputy Town Clerk
- 2405/01 Apologies for absence**
No apologies for absence were received
- 2405/02 Declarations of Interest**
Cllrs Gilbert, Heaton, O'Brien, Soanes and Young declared an interest in agenda item 7 Andaras Trust. A dispensation under section 14(h)(i) was granted
- 2405/03 Public Representation Session**
There were no members of the public present
- 2405/04 Minutes of the last meeting**
The minutes of the meetings held on 6 March and 12 March 2024 were signed as a correct record.
- 2405/05 Finance**
It was **resolved** to:
i) approve the payment listings for March and April 2024
ii) this item was deferred to the next meeting
iii) this item was deferred to the next meeting
iv) Cllr Bullen and Cllr O'Brien will carry out the payment check for May and June 2024 respectively
- 2405/06 Repair Cafe**
It was **resolved** to make an exceptional grant to the Launceston Repair Café of one free Ambulance Hall hire per month from May 24 to March 25 to support the group becoming established
- 2405/07 Andaras Trust**
It was **resolved** not to reduce the hall hire costs for Andaras Trust and other local schools, due to budgetary pressures on the Council
- 2405/08 Petty Cash**
It was **resolved** to approve the petty cash expenditure at the Town Hall, Visitor Information Centre and Library for the period November 23 to March 24.
- 2405/09 Ridgeway Bus Shelter**
It was **resolved** not to replace the bus shelter at Prince Philip Road, Ridgeway. Officers will investigate installing a bench to the bus shelter and undertaking a community project with young people from the area to repair and improve the existing shelter.

- 2405/10

The Library Project Expenditure Update

The RFO provided a verbal update of the services contracted in relation to the design concept stage of the library project.
- 2405/11

Urgent Items

Cllr Bailey raised that Launceston Agricultural Association had approached her about the Council not applying the commission charge for selling tickets through the Visitor Information Centre for this year. The Committee felt the charge should remain.

The RFO advised the Town Clerk would be bringing to a future meeting, a business plan for the Council.

The meeting closed at 8.01 pm.

Signed Date