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MINUTES OF THE FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE
held on WEDNESDAY 5 MARCH 2025 at 7.00pm in The Otho Peter Suites, Launceston Town Hall

- PRESENT** Cllrs Bailey (Town Mayor), Gilbert (Deputy Mayor), Bullen, Conway, Heaton, O'Brien, Soanes and Young
In attendance: Responsible Finance Officer
- 2503/14 Apologies for absence**
Apologies were received from Cllr Hogan
- 2503/15 Declarations of Interest**
There were no declarations
- 2503/16 Public Representation Session**
There were no members of the public present
- 2503/17 Minutes of the last meeting**
The minutes of the meeting held on 22 January 2025 were signed as a correct record.
- 2503/18 Finance**
It was **resolved** to:
i) approve the payment listings for January and February 2025
ii) approve the balance sheet for January 2025
iii) approve the budget comparison report for January 2025
- 2503/19 Direct Debits and Standing Order Payment**
It was **resolved** to approve the payments made by direct debit and standing order
- 2503/20 Segregation of Duties**
The segregation of duties was **noted**.
- 2503/21 Asset Register**
It was **resolved** to approve the asset register
- 2503/22 Financial Regulations**
It was **resolved** to approve the financial regulations
- 2503/23 Management & Safe Keeping of Money Policy**
It was **resolved** to approve the management & safe keeping of money policy.
- 2503/24 Statement of Internal Control**
It was **resolved** to approve the statement of internal control.
- 2503/25 Investment Strategy**
It was **resolved** to approve the investment strategy.

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Strategic Plan

The Committee **recommends** the following:

- i. The council should augment strategic plans with an operational plan and a 4-year financial forecast
- ii. The current number of major projects preclude the inclusion any additional projects unless the additional aspirations are of a long-term nature which will not impact the work levels of officers significantly.
- iii. There should be officer representation on the strategic plan group.
- iv. The council should explore current best practice in relation development and improvement planning processes.

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Urgent Items

The RFO informed the committee that the Facebook page Launceston Parish Council has not been set up by the Town Council and has no connection to the Council and advised members not to be associated with the page as this may lead to confusion with the wider public. The page has been reported for using the Town Crest and name Parish Council by officers.

Councillors thanked all officers involved with the St Piran's Parade, it was a really successful event.

Cllr Soanes reported that the pavement outside Native Burgers

The meeting closed at 8.00 pm.

Signed

Date