

Committee **POLICY, RESOURCES & GENERAL PURPOSES**

Date and Time Monday 14 January 2008, 6.30pm

Venue The Town Hall, Rye

Members appointed to the Committee:

Councillors Granville Bantick, John Breeds, Jonathan Breeds, Brian Elliott (**Committee Vice Chairman**), Bernardine Fiddimore, Sonia Holmes (**Committee Chairman**), Jo Kirkham, Paul Osborne (Mayor), Frank Palmer, Ian Potter, David Russell, Sam Souster (Deputy Mayor), David Wright

70 APOLOGIES

To accept any apologies for absence.

71 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

To receive any disclosures by Members of personal interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of any interest and whether the Member regards the interest as prejudicial under the terms of the Code of Conduct.

72 MINUTES

To authorise the Chairman to sign, as a correct record of the proceedings, the Minutes of the meeting held on 10 December 2007 (PR04).

73 MATTERS ARISING

To note any matters arising from the meeting held on 10 December 2007 (PR04).
for information

74 FINANCE

74.1 Town Hall

a) Schedule of Authorised Payments and Statement of Income

To receive and adopt the Schedule of Authorised Payments and Statement of Income for November 2007.

b) Petty Cash Account

To receive and adopt the Petty Cash Account for November 2007.

c) Budget Monitor

To receive and note the actual income and expenditure to 31 November 2007.

Clerk

- 74.2 Heritage Centre**
- a) **RTS Trading Reports**
To receive and consider any Heritage Centre Trading Reports (October 2007 on). **Clerk**
- b) **Improvements**
To receive a summary of the improvement works being undertaken currently. **Clerk**
- c) **Water Ingress**
Should the building contractor working currently within the Heritage Centre not be able to ascertain the problem: to consider whether to instruct a surveyor to identify the likely cause of the long-standing problem of water ingress to the Centre's new extension during specific weather conditions. **Clerk**
- 74.3 Account Balances**
To receive a Statement of Account Balances as at 30 November 2007. **Clerk**
- 74.4 Earmarked Reserves**
To receive a Statement of Earmarked Reserves as at 30 November 2007. **Clerk**
- 74.5 Draft Budget 2008-09**
To consider and recommend adoption of the Draft Budget 2008-09.
- 75 TOWN CLERK ACTIVITY SUMMARY**
To receive and note the Clerk's Activity Summary for November 2007. **Clerk**
- 76 WORK PROGRAMME**
To receive and consider a summary of the status of key tasks/projects as at 6 January 2008. **Clerk**
- 77 DEVOLVED SERVICES**
To receive an update and, if appropriate, to agree a course of action. **Clerk**
- 78 STREET TRADING**
To receive an update and, if appropriate, to agree a course of action. **Clerk**
- 79 STRAY DOGS**
To note that Rother District Council has advised that it has received four expressions of interest in the Stray Dogs contract and to agree the specific concerns to put to Rother. **Cllr Fiddimore, Clerk**

80 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

To note that the Working Group's first meeting will follow this one.

ATM Working Group

81 DRAFT SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY

To consider whether to send a representative to the Rother District Local Strategic Partnership Consultation on the Draft Integrated Sustainable Community Strategy for East Sussex to be held at Cooden Beach Hotel, Bexhill on 30 January, 9am-1.30pm.

Clerk

82 ST ANTHONY PADUA CHURCH

To re-consider the Leisure & Tourism Committee Recommendation that the Council contributes £125 towards the cost of St Anthony's organising a Vox Cordis concert, noting the additional information provided that the concert has been postponed to (provisionally) the Spring and that the Church does not wish to levy an attendance charge because it wishes to gauge the level of interest in sacred music.

Clerk

83 JOHN FLETCHER

To note that the National Portrait Gallery is attempting to raise sufficient funds to acquire the only known portrait of the playwright, John Fletcher and to consider contributing a prize – possibly a tour of the Town Hall with the Mayor - to the fundraising draw being run by the owners of his birthplace, Fletchers House.

Cllr Souster

Supporting/Associated documents distributed previously

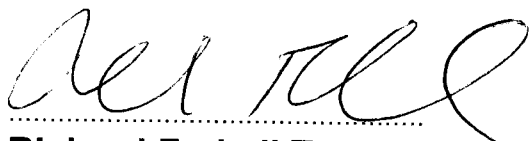
72 Minutes

Supporting/Associated documents distributed with this agenda

73 Matters Arising Report 74.1a) TH Payments & Income
74.1b) Petty Cash 74.1c) TH Budget Monitor 74.2b) Email from Kerry de Courcy,
4.1.08 74.3 Account Balances 74.4 Earmarked Reserves Statement
74.5 Draft Budget 75 Activity Summary 76 Work Programme
81 Letter from Cllr Maynard, 11.12.07 83 BBC Appeal report

To follow

74.2a)(i) Trading Reports



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