



Minutes of the Cowes Town Council **Finance, Acquisitions & Staffing Committee Meeting** held in the Dining Room, Northwood House, Cowes on **Tuesday 25 August 2026** at 6.15pm.

Present Councillors White (Chair), Marriott, Peacy-Wilcox, Reen and Walters.

In attendance Richard Shaul, Responsible Financial Officer.

1202 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Moore.

1203 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received.

**1204 MINUTES
RESOLVED**

That the Minutes of the Finance, Acquisitions & Staffing Committee meeting held on 28 July 2026 be taken as read, approved as a correct record and signed by the chair.

1205 APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS

The RFO advised that the grants budget for 2026/2027 is £15,000. Of this £4,800 had already been awarded leaving £9,200 remaining. Councillors were asked to consider a grant application from Ability Dogs for Young People. No specific amount was requested but grants of £500 had been awarded in previous years.

RECOMMENDED

That a grant of £500 be awarded to Ability Dogs for Young People.

1206 UPDATE ON THE EXISTING HOUSEHOLD SUPPORT FUND OF £5,000

The RFO reported that of the original 100 £50 Aldi vouchers that were purchased 10 remain to be handed out.

1207 STAFFING MATTERS

None reported.

1208 HEALTH AND SAFETY MATTERS

None reported.

1209 STAFF CONCERNS

None reported.

1210 ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON A FUTURE AGENDA

- a. Review of reserves to be presented to the October FAS meeting.
- b. Review of quarterly accounts and toilets budget presented to the October FAS meeting.

The proceedings terminated at 18.50.

CHAIR