

**Minutes of a meeting of the Assets & Amenities Committee held on
17th December 2024 in the Council Chamber, The Old Courthouse,
Jaycroft Road, Burnham-on-Sea at 7 pm**

Present: Councillors P. Clayton (Chair), M. Facey, G. Gudka, L Millard, M. Murphy,
C. Searing

In attendance: E. Dutton (Deputy Town Clerk), J. Hook (Theatre Manager), N.
Brookes (RFO) and two members of the public

Public Participation: There were no representations made

53. A24 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillors Wynn, Baker and Flurry.

**54. A24 To receive any declarations of interest on items included on this
agenda**

There were no declarations of interests.

**55. A.24 To receive and approve the minutes of the Assets & Amenities
meeting held on 19th November 2024**

The minutes of the previous meeting of the Assets & Amenities
Committee meeting held on 19th November 2024, were presented by the
Chairman.

Resolved that the minutes be taken as read, confirmed and signed by the
Chairman.

56. A.24 Matters arising from previous minutes

There were no matters arising.

57. A24 To note the most recent committee income and expenditure report

No queries were raised and the report was noted.

58. A.24 To note the most recent footfall report

It was discussed that the number of visitors from last year had gone down,
it was something to be aware of and events should be encouraged to
bring more people into the town.

The report was noted.



59. A.24 To receive Town Rangers report

The report was noted.

60. A.24 Princess Theatre

60.1 To receive Theatre Managers update report

The Theatre Manager gave an overview of the report.

The choir have been busy practising for the Christmas concert.

Three of the local groups using the theatre were asked how many participants they had in their cast and crew. During the 18 days they were in, between them there was 170 cast and crew working on the stage, and 1325 patrons to see their shows, that was in addition to all the visitors for the participation groups and other events.

In addition to the 18-day community groups, there were 35 other times the theatre had bookings and only 3 days in November the building wasn't used including weekends. The Theatre Manager expressed it was lovely to see it so well used and in a variety of ways.

61. A.24 Cemeteries

61.1 To receive cemeteries update report

The cemeteries report was noted.

62. A.24 Allotments

62.1 To receive allotments update report

The allotments report was noted.

63. A.24 To consider the draft committee budget for 2025-2026 for recommendation to the Finance and Governance Committee

The draft budget was reviewed and Councillors were given the opportunity to raise questions, which were answered. An amendment was made as agreed.

Resolved that the Committee submits the amended draft budget to the Finance & Governance Committee.

64. A.24 Date of next meeting

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for 14th January 2025 at 7 pm.