

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

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Minutes of the Finance Committee held at the Village Hall on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at 19.00.

Present: Cllr P Burford (Cllr PB, Chair), Cllr N Beaumont (Cllr NB) and Cllr Nick Satchell (Cllr NS) Also in attendance: Anita Emery Clerk and RFO to Plumpton Parish Council Absent: Cllr Ron Jury (Cllr RJ) Members of Public: None

- 1. To accept apologies for absence
  - Cllr Jury tendered his apologies and reason for absence accepted.
- 2. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on  $14^{th}$  November 2023
  - Unanimously approved.
- 3. Declaration of pecuniary and disclosable interests in respect of matters to be discussed.
  - None
- 4. Clerks Report on any Matters Arising from previous Meetings
  - Cambridge Building Society are providing a savings account at a rate of 3%. Clerk to arranging opening the account. **Clerk to action.**
- 5. To approve expenditure items as itemised on the schedules.
  - a. Report 1 PPC Expenditure £4625.92 + £130.12 = £4756.04
  - b. Report 2 VH Expenditure £1744.15 + £139.70 = £1883.85
  - c. Report 3 PF Expenditure £1197.20
  - Clerk advised of some additions as follows;

VH – J Donovan expenses - £25.70 MPS Electrics - £114.00
PPC – Viking £86.14 J Brown – expenses xmas lights - £43.98

• Unanimously approved to release the payments – Chair signed to that effect.



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To approve bank statements and reconciliations.

- Cllr PB agreed all bank statements and reconciliations. One missing which was the playing field as Barclays had closed the account. Clerk advised that the cheque had been received and is being paid into the Unity account.
- Unanimously approved.
- 7. To approve year to date accounts
  - d. Report 1 PPC
  - e. Report 2 VH
  - f. Report 3 PF
- NS reported Hallmaster System shows projected income will be ahead of Budget by Year End.
- Unanimously approved.
- 8. CIL spend allocations
  - Standing items on the agenda.
- 9. To approve playing field direction sign cost of £491.12 + VAT
  - Unanimously approved. Clerk to action.
- 10. To consider storage heater installation cost options for VH stage area.
  - Agreed to approve electric rads but ask if the radiators can have a timer on them. **Clerk to action**. And obtain a 4 yard skip to dispose. **Clerk to action**.
- 11. Final 2024-2025 budget/precept calculations to put forward to full council and to note no increase in allotment fees for 2024-2025 plus consider any increase in allotment fees for 2025-2026.
  - Cllr PB reported that under the PF budget the skirting is removed from the budget as new pavilion project going forward. Any repairs and maintenance on the Pav to use CIL money as reserved for a larger undertaking of the pavilion, bearing in mind we will have to do a complete new budget for the pavilion next year to incorporate the new build. Having received a larger tax base figure and Clerks salary re-calculated – FC recommendation to PPC precept request £84,319 a 13.16% increase as opposed to the original calculation of £89,709 a 22.43% increase. Unanimously approved.
  - Allotments leave as a nominal rent of £15 for half and £30 for full plot.
- 12. Questions from Parish Councillors and items to be added at the next meeting.
  - None.

Meeting Closed: 19.30



## Dates of Next Meetings:

16<sup>th</sup> January 2023 – Finance Committee 19:00 – PPC 19:45 at The Pavilion

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