



PLUMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

FINANCE COMMITTEE

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Minutes of the Finance Committee held at the Village Hall on 12th March 2024 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: None

Members of Public: None

1. To accept apologies for absence
 - None
2. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 13th February 2024
 - Unanimously approved. Chair signed to that effect.
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
 - Handyperson – advertise to wider parishes
 - Cambridge BS deposit made
 - Opus energy – prices have doubled rather than usage increase
5. To approve expenditure items as itemised on the schedules.
 - a. Report 1 – PPC Expenditure – Cllr PB noted £1543.22 for Foster Landscapes for playpark repairs had been taken from CIL, £40,000 has been transferred to her Cambridge Building Society and 3 payments made tidying up after Barclays account closure.
 - b. Report 2 – VH Expenditure – Cllr PB noted Opus Energy payment of £2367.77 to the budget line over by 38%.
 - c. Report 3 – PF Expenditure - Cllr PB noted Opus Energy payment of £2326.13 to the budget line over by 5.6%.
 - Unanimously approved to release the following payments;

PPC - £47939.90 plus £2456 additional payment to AiRS for remaining Housing Needs Survey

VH - £3470.49 plus £100 additional payment for dep return & £196 Ace Alarms

PF - £3016.74



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Chair signed to that effect.

6. To approve bank statements and reconciliations.

Cllr NB and PB had inspected the bank statements and reconciliations and advised they all balanced.

- Bank recs and summary all tally - unanimously approved.

7. To approve year to date accounts

- d. Report 1 – PPC – CIL spend for the year just under £20k
- e. Report 2 – VH – noted energy over budget and emergency lighting replacement of £504 under maintenance. Income will hit the budget at end of the month.
- f. Report 3 – PF – nothing to report

- Unanimously approved

8. CIL spend allocations –

- Standing agenda item

9. To approve fire door repair/replacements at VH

- Agreed to proceed with Sean Mannion at a cost of £850
- NS reported gutters are leaking and quote received £300 + VAT
- Unanimously approved to proceed with both quotes.

10. Questions from Parish Councillors and items to be added at the next meeting

- NS – microphones need replacing – current ones lasted over 20 years. Could be up to £1200 for two new ones but hopefully cheaper. Unanimously approved to spend up to £1200.
- Mick Newman station master is retiring – do we want to contribute towards a parish retirement of £50. Unanimously agreed to donate £50 towards the parish retirement gathering.

Closed: 19.37

Dates of Next Meetings:

16th April 2024 – Finance Committee 19:00 – PPC 19:45

7th May VH Committee – 19:00

14th May PPC Annual Meeting 19:45 followed by full council (inc finance) meeting

21st May Annual Parish Meeting – 19:30

Anita Emery | Parish Clerk | 13/03/2024