

**Minutes of The Finance Committee held at The Rackliff Centre on
Monday 31st January 2022 at 7.30 pm**

Members Present:

Cllr M O'Callaghan, Chairman; Cllr D Funnell, Vice-Chairman; Cllr E Ellicott, Cllr B Edwards and Cllr A Britcher-Allan

Officers Present:

Mrs Alison Stevens, Locum Clerk

Others and Members of the Public:

None

- 1. Enquire whether anyone present intends to film, photograph and/or record the meeting**
No one present filmed, photographed or recorded the meeting.
- 2. To receive and approve apologies for absence**
None.
- 3. Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests**
None.
- 4. Declarations of Lobbying**
None.
- 5. Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held on 2nd December 2021**
The Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held on the 2nd December 2021 were agreed, and it was RESOLVED that the Chairman sign them as a true and accurate record
- 6. Clerk's Report on Matters Arising from the Minutes not included elsewhere on the agenda**
All matters arising were included elsewhere on the agenda.
- 7. Open session for questions from the public**
None.
- 8. Budget and Precept 2021/2022**
 - i. Having carefully considered the quarterly review of Expenditure v Budget, Councillors RESOLVED to;
 - transfer money from the contingency account to cover the grant of £10000 to TW Commons. It had been agreed to transfer the money from General Reserves but was later found to not be possible.
 - transfer money from the contingency account to cover the cricket ground security invoice.
 - Review the budget figure for Salaries at the March Meeting.
 - Analyse cost centres 4126 and 4137 to check the invoices have been consistently coded.
 - Accept and adopt the review figures provided.

- ii. Having carefully considered the quarterly review of Receipts and Payments, Councillors RESOLVED to accept and adopt the figures provided.
- iii. Budget Consultation 2022/2023 updates;
 - Discussions with Surestart and KCC – there was nothing new to report on this occasion.
 - Traffic Island on the A264 – Councillor O’Callaghan has spoken to the County Councillor who said officers have yet to receive a quote. Councillor O’Callaghan will keep chasing for updates.
 - Path between Grange Gardens and the lower end of Grange Road – Councillor Britcher-Allan said she will find out who owns the path and is therefore responsible for its maintenance. She will then report back to the next meeting

9. Budget and Precept Planning 2022/23

It was noted that;

- The Environment Committee expects to be submitting budget requests in due course. An appropriate budget line may need to be set up.
- The Salaries budget may need to be adjusted in March.

10. Anti-Incursion Works

The anti-incursion work is finished but it may cost slightly more than first thought because the logs had to be fitted closer together. It was suggested that it might be possible to make the logs into seats or benches.

11. Items for Information

Councillor O’Callaghan suggested the land to the rear of the Council Offices could become a garden for hall users and asked for this to be an agenda item at the next Meeting.

12. Next Meeting

The next Meeting was provisionally set for Monday 21st March 2022.

The meeting closed at 7.55pm

..... Chairman

Dated