

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2019 AT THE PARISH CENTRE, ST. MARY'S ROAD, LITTLE HAYWOOD, COMMENCING AT 7:30PM.

**PRESENT** (For all of part of the meeting): Cllr Roberts (Vice Chair); Cllr Dunn and Cllr Whitfield.

IN ATTENDANCE: Michael Lennon (Clerk and RFO) and Anthony Egan (Finance Officer).

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** No members of the public were in attendance.

## **MINUTES**

**9/19F APOLOGIES** were received from Cllr Harris.

**RESOLVED** to accept the apology.

PROPOSED Cllr Whitfield SECONDED Cllr Dunn.

10/19F There were no **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.** 

11/19F There were no WRITTEN REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS UNDER THE LOCALISM ACT 2011.

12/19F THE MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON  $30^{\text{TH}}$  MAY 2019.

As only two Cllrs in attendance on 30<sup>th</sup> May were present then consideration and agreement of the minutes to be deferred until the February 2020 Full Council meeting as Cllr Harris has sent apologies for the December Full Council meeting.

13/19F THE BUDGET FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR AND THE VIREMENT OF BUDGET HEADINGS.

**RESOLVED** to recommend to the Full Council to move the balance left over after gully cleaning from 4216 (Roads, Pavements and Gullies) to 102 (Staffing) to cover the prospective shortfall especially in Pension contributions.

**PROPOSED** Cllr Roberts **SECONDED** Cllr Whitfield. On being put to the vote, the **RESOLUTION** carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED to** recommend to the Full Council to move £5,000 from 4033 (Legal Expenses) and £10,800 from 4032 (Election Expenses) to earmarked reserve 324 Garden of Remembrance and to purchase suitable land.

**PROPOSED** Cllr Dunn **SECONDED** Cllr Whitfield On being put to the vote, the **RESOLUTION** carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED** to recommend to the Full Council that any underspend on small grants programme at the end of the financial year be carried forward and added to the 2020/21 budget with a renewed effort to encourage applications from community groups.

**PROPOSED** Cllr Roberts **SECONDED** Cllr Whitfield. On being put to the vote, the **RESOLUTION** carried unanimously.

## 14/19F PROPOSALS 2020/21 BUDGET.

**RESOLVED** to agree the draft budget provided by the Finance Officer with the following adjustments:

4016 (Insurance) reduced from £7,100 to £5,100

4026 (Stationery) reduce from £1,700 to £1,200

4037 (Community Engagement) reduce from £1,000 to £500

4216 (Roads, Pavement and Gullies) allocate £7,500

4230 (Green Infrastructure) increase from £2,000 to £3,000

4705 (Garden of Remembrance) removed the £25,000 allocation (see 13/19F above).

Create new accounts for:

VE Day and allocate £1,250

Music Showcase and allocate £1,250

JPF car park drainage and allocate £15,000

**PROPOSED** Cllr Roberts

SECONDED Cllr Dunn.

On being put to the vote, the **RESOLUTION** carried unanimously.

The Chairman noted that the meeting had been running for 2 hours and so should be adjourned in line with Standing Order 1.26.

**RESOLVED** to continue for a further 30 minutes in line with Standing Order 1.27.

**PROPOSED** Cllr Whitfield

SECONDED Cllr Dunn.

On being put to the vote, the **RESOLUTION** carried unanimously.

## 15/19F 2020/21 PRECEPT RECOMMENDATION TO THE FULL COUNCIL.

**RESOLVED** to recommend a precept request of £190,295 across a tax base of 1,841.71 giving a Band D rate of £103.33 or a reduction of 1.1% on 2019/20 rate of £104.47.

**PROPOSED** Cllr Roberts

SECONDED Cllr Dunn.

On being put to the vote, the **RESOLUTION** carried unanimously.

**16/19F DATE OF NEXT MEETING** to be 12<sup>th</sup> March 2020 and that the Committee should meet quarterly.

