



MINUTES

Committee: Finance and Policy Committee
Date: Tuesday 16 August 2022
Time: 6.30pm
Venue: Parish Council Office

Present

Cllr Jan Evans
Cllr John Farrand-Rogers
Cllr Gordy Keep
Cllr Mike Warner

Also Present

Samantha Parkin (Clerk)

18/2022 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Hodges.

19/2022 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS / REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

No declarations of interest were made. No requests for dispensations were received.

20/2022 MINUTES

It was proposed by Cllr Farrand-Rogers, seconded by Cllr Keep and **resolved** to **accept** and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 19th April 2022 as a correct record.

21/2022 Q1 BUDGET REPORT

The Clerk had circulated the Q1 budget report prior to the meeting. Cllr Evans had discussed the report with the Clerk.

It was proposed by Cllr Farrand-Rogers, seconded by Cllr Keep and **resolved to approve** the report.

22/2022 DRAFT ALLOTMENT AGREEMENT

The draft Allotment Agreement had been circulated with the Agenda. The Allotment Association had made some revisions to the Agreement.

It was proposed by Cllr Warner, seconded by Cllr Farrand-Rogers and **resolved** to recommend to the full Council to **approve** the draft Allotment Agreement.

23/2022 DRAFT POLICY

The draft Training and Development Policy and the draft Action Plan had been circulated with the Agenda. The Clerk explained the policies were based on the SLCC model documents and noted that the Action Plan is a working document.

Cllr Farrand-Rogers suggested some amendments to the Training and Development Policy.

It was proposed by Cllr Warner, seconded by Cllr Farrand-Rogers and **resolved to amend** Training Aim 1 to 'their roles as local Councillors'.

It was proposed by Cllr Farrand-Rogers to make any pronoun referring to the current Clerk feminine. There was no seconder so the motion fails.

It was proposed by Cllr Farrand-Rogers, seconded by Cllr Warner and **resolved to amend** 'Consideration given to the Chairman attending the Chairman course *ran* by DALC' to **run** by DALC.

It was proposed by Cllr Warner, seconded by Cllr Keep and **resolved** to recommend to the full Council to **approve** the draft Training and Development Policy with the agreed amendments.

It was proposed by Cllr Warner, seconded by Cllr Keep and **resolved** to recommend to the full Council to **approve** the draft Action Plan.

24/2022 GRANT APPLICATIONS

Cllr Evans gave an overview of the grant applications. A summary of the Grant Applications had been circulated prior to the meeting. Cllr Evans noted that there is £850 remaining in the grant budget and she is reluctant to draw from reserves due to the current financial climate.

Moretonhampstead Community Swimming Pool – Cllr Evans and Farrand-Rogers noted that the Swimming Pool had already received a grant this year.

Parish Hall Management Committee – Cllr Farrand-Rogers thinks it is a worthy cause and a long term investment.

Moretonhampstead Tennis Club – It was noted that the Tennis Club had received a grant this year and Cllr Evans noted that the tennis courts look fantastic. Cllr Farrand-Rogers did not think the grant application was for capital expenditure.

Wellmoor – The committee did not feel able to support the application at this time.

Green Hill Arts (Flag project) – The committee noted the town benefits from the flags.

Trees in Time – The committee felt it was a good cause.

Moretonhampstead Sports and Community Centre – Cllr Evans felt strongly that the committee should support this application and build bridges with the sports centre. Cllr Evans had spoken to the Sports Centre and believes it would be beneficial to move the basketball net. The committee asked the Clerk to make enquiries with the Sports Centre about the possibility of having a representative at their meetings.

It was proposed by Cllr Farrand-Rogers to take no action on the Sports Centre application and invite them to apply for a grant next year. The motion was not seconded and so fails.

Recommendation to full Council:

It was proposed by Cllr Keep, seconded by Cllr Warner and **resolved to recommend** the award of the following grants:

Parish Hall Management Committee - £400.00 (*Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 s.19*)

Green Hill Arts (Flag Project) - £300.00 (*Local Government Act 1972 s.137*)

Trees in Time - £50.00 (*Local Government Act 1972 s.137*)

Moretonhampstead Sports and Community Centre - £100.00 (*Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 s.19*)

Total Awarded £850.00

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.00pm.

TO DO ACTIONS:

- Add all recommendations to the September full Council Agenda