Washingborough Parish Council

Notes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting held at Washingborough Civic Office on Thursday 10th January 2019 at 7.30pm.

Present: Councillor Mrs L Simons (Chairman) Councillor Mrs B Bland Councillor D Fothergill Clerk, Miss K Broddle Councillor Mrs J Aspinall Councillor R Dowlman Councillor G Kent

In Attendance: None

2442. APOLOGIES, DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION:

2442.1 APOLOGIES: none received

2442.2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: were received from Cllrs Mrs, Simons, Mrs Aspinall, Mrs Bland, Fothergill and Kent

2442.3 APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION: were granted for the above Councillors

2443. NOTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING held on the 11th October 2018 had previously been circulated and were signed as the Minutes.

2444. MATTERS OUTSTANDING:

None

2445. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

The third quarter financial statements for income and expenditure were circulated and discussed. All budgets are within their projected spend apart from the Pavilion and Playing Fields which is looking as if there maybe an overspend by the end of the financial year. It was recommended to use the income from the hire charges to help cover this.

2446. CHANGE OF MEETING DAY:

The recommendation is that the meeting is moved to a Monday at 6.30pm, from April 2019.

2447. SAFE DISPOSAL OF REDUNDANT LAP-TOP:

The recommendation is to ask the approved IT consultant to undertake this work.

2448. GRATUITIES:

It was agreed to move this item to the Closed Session

2449. PAPERWORK FOR NEW BANKING ACCOUNT:

Paperwork for this account was handed to Cllrs Mrs Aspinall, Mrs Simons and Fothergill for completion

2450. BINDING OF PREVIOUS YEARS MINUTES:

The recommendation is for the clerk to organise the binding of the previous 6 years of minutes to a value, not exceeding £600.

2451. PENSION SCHEME:

The Council currently run the Local Government Pension Scheme for employees who are eligible to enroll in a pension scheme. To significantly reduce costs the recommendation is as follows: to close the LGPS from 31st March 2019 and open a NEST pension scheme from 1st April 2019, for all

future employees;

to allow current employees within the LGPS to remain in that scheme, or to change to NEST to hold a period of consultation with all employees to explain their options and ensure that they fully understand any implications.

2452. FORWARD PLAN ITEMS FOR COMPLETION 2019/20:

The recommended items for completion are: decoration of the Community Centre Main Hall and Civic Office and the purchase of curtains for areas within the Community Centre.

2453. PRECEPT FOR 2019/20:

The budget figures were discussed and the recommendations are as follows -

the Precept request for 2019/20 be £147,590;

the clerk and assistant clerk move to their next SCP (25 and 9 respectively);

the grounds man, caretaker and environmental handyman/dog warden receive a 3% increase; to join the LALC Training Scheme;

excess staffing budget to be transferred to the earmarked staffing reserve;

Income from LAP's and Wayleaves to be transferred to the earmarked forward plan reserve; that monies from the playing fields/pavilion earmarked reserve are used for the cleaning and remarking of the MUGA;

the arts project earmarked reserve be deleted and the monies transferred in to the forward plan

2454. CORRESPONDENCE:

HMRC: Making Tax Digital - noted

Under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 Councillors resolved to move into closed session for the following items:

2455. GRATUITIES:

The committee discussed the matter of Gratuities. (No further details due to Data Protection Legislation.)

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.23pm

SIGNED

DATE