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MINUTES OF FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
held on Monday 11th September 2023 at 7.30pm

Present: Judi Morison (Chair), Linda Ball, Margaret Bebbington, Philippa Biddlecombe, Robert Brown, Angela Piggott and Rob Worth.

Clerk: Katie Armstrong
In attendance: Lisa Newby

The meeting started at 19:40

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F019 Apologies for absence.
Apologies received from James Camm and Pek Peppin

F020 Declarations of interest. Members to declare any interests they may have in agenda items that accord with the requirements of the Councils Code of Conduct, and to note the grant of dispensations made by the town clerk in relation to the business of this meeting.
Judi Morison declared a personal interest on agenda item FO27

F021 To approve the minutes of the Finance and Management Committee meeting held on 10th July 2023 to be signed by the Chair
RESOLVED: it was proposed and agreed (3- for, 4- sustain, 0- against) that the minutes of the Finance and Management Committee meeting held on 10th July 2023 are approved.

F022 To review action points from previous meetings
None

F023 To nominate and elect a Vice Chair
RESOLVED: it was proposed and agreed (5- for, 1- abstain, 0- against) that Robert Brown is elected Vice Chair.

F024 To note the Year to date budget report
The budget report was noted.

F025 To agree the contract with Youth Connect for youth provision in South East Somerset Local Community Network (LCN) area
This is still in progress and will be reported on at the Full Council Meeting.

F026 To discuss Council data storage and One Drive file sharing arrangements for Councillors
Zen computing to arrange some training sessions for counsellors.
ACTION- 230911/1: Town Clerk to arrange meeting

F027 To consider grant request from Cary Carers for contribution towards day trip
RESOLVED: it was agreed to the request of £150 (6- for, 1- abstain, 0- against)

F028 To consider quote for replacement parts for play equipment at Catherines Close play area
RESOLVED: Unanimously agreed

F029 To consider funding for traffic management at Cary's Christmas Cracker event on Thursday 7th December
RESOLVED: To recommend to Full Council that Castle Cary Town Council underwrites the event to the sum of £500

F030 To note the budget/precept schedule for 2023-24 and consider any amendments
A meeting has been arranged for the Chairs of committees to look at budgets.

F031 Exclusion of Press and Public To consider exclusion of press and public for remainder of the meeting under *Public Bodies Admissions To Meetings Act 1960*, Section 1 (2) on the grounds that discussion of the following business is likely to disclose confidential information.
RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed unanimously that in accordance with the *Public Bodies Admissions To Meetings Act 1960*, Section 1 (2), the press and public be excluded on the grounds that discussion of the following business would disclose confidential information.

F032 Update on staffing levels and working patterns
An update was given, and a discussion was had.

The meeting ended at 20:38

The date of the next Finance and Management Committee meeting will be Monday 9th October 2023. Any items for inclusion on the agenda should be forwarded to the Town Clerk by Thursday 28th September.