



MINUTES OF FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

held on Monday 11th November 2024 at 7.30pm

Present: Judi Morison (Chair), Frances Alden, Margaret Bebbington, Philippa Biddlecombe, David Gill, Trevor Oats, Angela Piggott

Clerk: Lisa Davis

The meeting started at 19:30

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F053 Apologies for absence

Linda Ball, Andrew Lane and Tom Trouton had sent their apologies.

F054 Declarations of personal or pecuniary interest (these must be declared BEFORE the agenda items concerned are discussed. Persons with a declared pecuniary interest must leave the meeting room when these are discussed).

There were no declarations of interest.

F055 Minutes of the Finance and Management Committee meeting held on 14th October 2024 to be signed by the Chair.

RESOLVED: it was proposed and agreed (4 – for, 3 – abstained, 0 – against) that the minutes of the Finance and Management Committee meeting held on 14th October 2024 are approved

F056 To review action points from previous meetings

No updates

F057 To note the Year to date budget report

The Year to date budget report up to 31/10/2024 was reviewed and noted.

F058 To discuss budget requests for 2025/26 It was agreed that Angela Piggott and Trevor Oats would discuss the budget requirements for Marketing and Communications and Planning with the Town Clerk.

F059 To consider grant request from Castle Cary Cygnet Majorettes for sound equipment upgrades

RESOLVED: it was proposed and unanimously agreed to recommend to Full Council that a grant of £150 to Castle Cary Cygnet Majorettes is approved

F060 To consider grant request from Castle Cary Commerce Association towards printing costs for updated town leaflet

RESOLVED: it was proposed and unanimously agreed to recommend to Full Council that a grant of £150 to Castle Cary Commerce Association is approved

- F061 To consider grant request towards electricity costs to provide warm space at Castle Cary Scout Hall**
RESOLVED: it was proposed and unanimously agreed to recommend to Full Council that a grant of £150 to Castle Cary Scouts is approved
- F062 To consider proposal to subsidise market trader pitch fees during January 2025**
RESOLVED: it was proposed and agreed (6 – for, 1 – abstained, 0 – against) that the market trader pitch fees are subsidised for four weeks in January 2025
- F063 To note agreement on NJC pay scales and pay offer for 2024/25 and that the award is backdated to 1 April 2024 and will be paid in the November salary** Noted
- F064 Somerset Council devolution of assets/services**
a) Update There was no update
- F065 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 agreed that the press and public would be excluded for the remainder of the meeting
- F066 Staff Salaries**
Outcome of the HR working group consultation on pay scales Philippa Biddlecombe reported the outcome of the HR working group consultation on pay scales and recommendations were agreed to be approved by Full Council.

The meeting closed at 8.48pm.

The date of the next Finance and Management Committee meeting will be Monday 13th January 2025. Any items for inclusion on the agenda should be forwarded to the Town Clerk by Thursday 2nd January.