Whittlesey Town Council
Finance & Policy Committee

Minutes of the Finance & Policy Committee held on Monday 16th January 2017 at 6pm at Grosvenor House, Grosvenor Road, Whittlesey.

Present: Cllr Dorling, Butcher, Bristow, Mason, Mrs Jolley, Wicks, Miscandlon,

FP07/17 - To receive apologies from absent Members.

There were no apologies

Officer in Attendance:

Mrs Sue Pergianni – Town Clerk & RFO

Recording: DS2500. DS2

FP02/17.- Declaration of Members Pecuniary Interests, on items to be discussed later in the agenda and the Council to decide which items are to be discussed as confidential under agenda item number FP10/17.

- Grosvenor House & property working group update

FP03/17 – Public Forum.

There were no members of the public present.

FP04/17 - To confirm and sign the Minutes from the last meeting of the Finance & Policy on 23rd November 2016

Ratified: The Minutes were approved.

FP05/17 Agenda Items for Discussion

- Neighbourhood Plan – The Chairman advised members that email has been received URBED following the request from WTC for a detailed invoice. They have advised they are not sure what they will be charging as we may have potentially used up the goodwill that was offered. Alternatively, they will continue to issue discounted invoices until the quoted figure has been exhausted. Cllr Wicks has had reservations for a period of time due to the non deliverance of invoices, he feels that we need to renegotiate the terms. Cllr Bristow expressed concern over the work that is being carried out by URBED, a thorough review needs to be carried out at the next meeting to ascertain how much work has been carried out by URBED and how much is chargeable. Cllr Butcher proposed that Cllr Dorling move this action forward at the Neighbourhood plan.

- Financial update (ED) - 77% through the year, 58% of the budget spent, at the end of the financial year additional payment into the reserves would be approximately 34K.

- The Chairman confirmed the 2017/18 budget has been approved at Full Council and the Clerk has submitted the precept request to Fenland District Council.

- Turves LHI (6129.39) contribution (TRB) – Cllr Butcher advised members that to finish Turves footpath the additional cost was £3500.00 which was additional to the Town Council Contribution of £1000.00 and had been agreed by F & P and Full Council. CCC subsequently have a shortfall of due to problems with drains and other issues, they also undertook some additional work to complete the project to ensure it was finished to a high standard. The total that is now required from Whittlesey Town Council is £6129.39 which
is an additional £1929.39. Cllr Butcher proposed the full amount of £6129.39 is paid to CCC, this was seconded by Cllr Wicks with a unanimous vote in favour.

**FP06/17. Financials.**

- Bank Reconciliation, Year to date figures, Payment list for approval, uncashed payments, all of these reports had been presented to Full Council on 11th January 2017, the Clerk will reconcile again towards the end of January and send updates to all members.

**FP07/17 - Donation Requests.**

Donations are dealt with at the following meetings February, April, July & November.

The Clerk had sent an email to members regarding an increased donation request from CAB, Cllr Miscandlon will contact the CAB and obtain information regarding the amount of support that is given to Whittlesey and village residents.

**FP08/17 – Information**

There was no information for discussion.

**FP09/17 – Date of Next Meeting – Monday 20th February 2017**

**FP10/17. Exclusion of the Public, including the Press.**

Resolved that in respect of the following item of business, the public, including the press, will be excluded from the meeting, because of the confidential nature of the business to be discussed, publication of which would be prejudicial to the public interest.

Meeting Closed at 7.10

Cllr Dorling
Chairman
Finance & Policy Committee