Whittlesey Town Council
FINANCE & POLICY COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Finance & Policy Committee held on Monday 16th December 2019 at 6.30 at Peel House, 8 Queen Street, Whittlesey, PE7 1AY

Present: Cllr Boden, Mason, Miscandion, Mrs Mayor, Dorling, Davies

Officer in Attendance Mrs Sue Piergianni – Town Clerk & RFO

Recording: The recording is made as an aide memoir for the Clerk and will be deleted once the minutes have been typed.

FP103/19 - To receive apologies from absent Members.
Cllr Bristow (personal)

FP104/19 - 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 FP112/40.

Cllrs Davies & Dorling as member of Whittlesey Street Pride.
Cllr Boden requested that Grosvenor House be discussed under confidential Items.
Cllr Boden declared an interest as he was Chairman of LGSS pension scheme and is still a member.

FP105/19 – Public Forum - 10 Minutes

Two members of the public

Cllr Gerstner – Climate Change, he is very supportive of the proposed budget with the following actions that Cllr Dorling suggested for Climate Change, he preferred to call hit and Environmental impact and believes Whittlesey and its villages should be leading the way as a progressive town council.

FP106/19 - To confirm and sign the Minutes from the last meeting of the Finance & Policy on Monday 18th November 2019

Ratified: The Minutes were approved and signed as a true record.

FP107/19. Financials. –
- Variance reports
- Year to date Figures
- Payment List for approval
- Uncashed Payments

The Chairman advised members that due to workload the Clerk had been unable to produce these but would produce both the November and December reconciliations prior to the January Full Council meeting, he would then produce his figures to accompany these

FP108/19 Agenda Items for Discussion
- Budget 2020/21 – Cllr Boden presented the proposed budget, members reported as follows:
- Are we are paying employers NI as we don't get the discount and we are not a charity we are a town council – The Clerk to Email Abblitt and ask the question?

- Hanging Baskets – Cllr Whitwell advised the amount was incorrect in the budget, Cllr Boden will amend the figure for version 2 of the budget

- Pension – the figure for the pension for the next three years is now 21.5%, members accepted this figure.

- Cllr Boden advised he had received three proposals
  - 5K each for the villages, (wish list from Cllr Wicks, Mayfair in Coates and events in the other villages, he will report back to Council each month). It was agreed to include this as a note to the budget
  - Climate Change – Air quality monitoring is statutory and completed by FDC, Dorling proposed 3k is put in the budget, members also discussed Electric cars, the Clerk to check if any Cllrs who have electric cars do or do not have a conflict of interest. Cllr Dorling will provide more information on electric cars to all council.
  - Cllr Miscandlon – Morlock indicators – less than 12k, we have missed CCC bulk by order, but the company will give us a discount to match this. 3 units and three extra units.

FP109/19 - Donation Requests.

Whittlesey Street Pride - proposal £1500.00 this was proposed by Cllr Mrs Mayor, seconded Cllr Miscandlon and approved in full by all Cllrs who were eligible to vote.

FP110/19 – Information

FP111/19 – Date of Next Meeting – 20th January 2020

FP112/19. Exclusion of the Public, including the Press.

Confidential Item

Meeting closed 19.32

Chairman
Finance & Policy Committee