

# **WHITTLESEY TOWN COUNCIL - Finance & Policy Committee**

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2022 at 6.30pm at Peel House, 8 Queen Street, Whittlesey, PE7 1YA.

**Present:** Cllr Boden, Mrs Mayor, Wicks, Miscandlon, Mockett, Dorling, Nawaz.

**Officer in Attendance:** Mrs Sue Piergianni – Town Clerk & RFO.

## **FP33/2022 - To receive apologies from absent Members.**

Cllr Davies was not present, and no apologies were received.

## **FP34/2022 -To receive members' declarations of disclosable pecuniary, non-disclosable pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in relation to any agenda items**

Cllr Dorling – Member of Whittlesey Street Pride  
Cllr Boden – WTC representative on Rural CAB

## **FP35/2022 – Public Forum – 15 minutes**

One member of the public was present.

Cllr Gerstner - Are the solar panels producing enough energy to facilitate these being used free of charge to the public

## **FP36/2022 - To confirm and sign the Minutes from the Finance & Policy Committee on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April**

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

## **FP37/2022 - Financials.**

1. Bank Reconciliation to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2022 – Members received the reconciliation
2. Year to date Figures – Members received the figures
3. Payment List for approval. - Vouchers 1 – 26 to the value of £20,277.59 proposed Cllr Boden, seconded Cllr Miscandlon.

## **FP38/2022 – Agenda Items for Discussion**

1. Utility Costs – Cllr Dorling asked, how close to budget will we emerge at the end of 2022/23 – also how much energy do the solar panels generate it should be around 10 kw. When he checked it was substantially lower than that. The RFO has been in contact with the supplier to get them to explain why this is. It could be a panel or some panels which are faulty or it could be that some of the panels are not connected properly. Cllr Dorling fears that we are subsidising the charging points. Could the EV points have a readers installed on them?. The Clerk to ask the supplier if this is possible and could this data be obtained from when the solar panels were installed. Cllr Dorling advised we need to look at the costs of the gas and electric and the standing charges and monitor this.
2. Safeguarding Policy – The Clerk to amend as necessary and WTC adopt as they safeguarding policy. This will be updated for Full Council.

## **FP39/2022 – Information**

1. Barclays – Fletton Closing – letter regarding fletton closing, The Clerk to find out about pay machines.
2. CAB Statistics – Members received the statistics

## **FP40/2022 - Donation Requests.**



1. St Jude's Catholic Church – Members discussed the revised application – Cllr Mrs Mayor proposed 4K, this was seconded by Cllr Miscandlon, Cllr Wicks advised Coates church has damage to the stained glass windows and they have obtained their own funding. Cllr Dorling does not agree that we can support this also the Roman Catholic church has billions and think they should have insurance in hand, member voted three in favour, four against, therefore the donation will not be offered.
2. Summer Reading Challenge – £500.00 Proposed Cllr Miscandlon, seconded Cllr Mockett with a unanimous vote in favour.
3. Whittlesey Street Pride Group – Members were advised they have applied to Glassmore bank for 2K, and to Whittlesey Town Council for the other one. Cllr Miscandlon advised all previous boats were donated. It was proposed by Cllr Miscandlon to refuse the request, seconded by Cllr Mockett with a vote of five against, one in favour.

**FP41/2022– Date of Next Meeting – Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2022**

**Meeting Closed: 19:20**

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Cllr Chris Boden  
Chairman  
Finance & Policy Committee

