

NORTHWICH TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON
TUESDAY 19th JANUARY 2021 VIA ZOOM

Members Present : Cllr Mrs L Nelson (Chair)
Cllr Ms H Rowlands
Cllr Mr K Rimmer
Cllr Mr T Melville
Cllr Mr S Naylor
Cllr Mr G Emmett

Also Present : Chris Shaw – Town Clerk
Liza Clansey – Assistant Town Clerk
Cath Kirwan – Finance Officer

FIN 20/43 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE OR ABSENCE**

Cllr M Rowley not present.

FIN 20/44 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr S Naylor wished to declare an interest in any matters relating to CW&C

FIN 20/45 **SIGNING OF THE MINUTES**

Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting held on Tuesday 15th December 2020 and noted at Town Council Monday 11th January 2021 were approved.

Proposed: Cllr G Emmett and seconded Cllr L Nelson, all agreed

FIN 20/46 **PRECEPT 2021/2022**

Further to 6th January 2021 Precept meeting the draft Precept of the 2020/21 was shared on screen by TC. TC explains that the new format will mirror the Income and Expenditure which has become out of date and complicated and will be simplified by merging some lines together.

Members discussed the £2000 expenditure for a Shelter at Greenbank which will cost £30,000 in total. CWaC are contributing £15,000 to this cost and the Railways will contribute £13,000. Cllr K Rimmer felt the £2000 should not be spent on the shelter due to the very poor service received by Northern Rail. Cllr T Melville recommended the £2000 be put towards the school fund. TC explained that it is extremely important to maintain the strong partnership we have created with Northern Rail and suggested this remained in the budget.

Cllr T Melville proposed £2000 Northern Rail is moved to the School fund. Cllr K Rimmer asked for an update on the Northern Rail time scale for the shelter.

Proposed: Cllr T Melville and seconded Cllr Ms H Rowlands, all agreed

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Cllr Mrs L Nelson
Chair

Precept Vote:

Proposed: Cllr G Emmett and seconded Cllr T Melville, all agreed

Abstained: Cllr Ms H Rowlands, Cllr K Rimmer, Cllr Mrs L Nelson

To be taken to full Council next month for approval

Cllr Mr R Melville left at 11:15am

FIN 20/47 DETAILED INCOME & EXPENDITURE BY BUDGET

TC, ATC & FO answered various members' questions relating to budget headings as most items had been discussed in the Precept.

Proposed: Cllr K Rimmer and seconded Mrs L Nelson, all agreed

FIN 20/48 BACS DUE FOR PAYMENT

TC, ATC and FO answered various members' questions relating to Bacs payments.

Cheshire Self Drive – Duplication of invoice £396.48, FO to amend figures.

AMR Alan Radband - £30,233.45. Christmas lights installation.

Co Op Funeral Care - £242.00. Removal of a headstone.

HAGS SMP Playgrounds - £537.46. Play equipment replacement for contract work.

Walker Conservation Specialists Ltd. Pillars at Verdin Park restoration.

Spend of £66,621.49.14 was approved.

Proposed by Cllr K Rimmer and seconded by Cllr Ms H Rowlands, all agreed

TC left at 11.30am.

FIN 20/49 BANK PAYMENTS TO BE CHECK BY FINANCE

Members approved evidence for payments from November 2020 (October 2020 invoices).

DF Sales - £168.00

Intelligent Monitoring - £1001.50

Proposed by Cllr G Emmett and seconded by Cllr Mrs L Nelson, all agreed

Members approved evidence for payments from August 2020 payments (July 2020 invoices).

Columbaria - £638.40

Earth Anchors - £853.20

Proposed Cllr Mrs L Nelson and seconded by Cllr Ms H Rowlands

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**Cllr Mrs L Nelson
Chair**

Members picked two suppliers from July payments (June invoices), evidence to be brought to finance meeting in February 2021, chosen by Cllr Mrs L Nelson

Jupiter Play and Leisure £378.00
Rigby Taylor - £150.00

Members picked two suppliers from December 2020 payments (November 2020 invoices), evidence to be brought to finance meeting in February 2021, chosen by Cllr Mrs L Nelson.

Columbaria - £1123.20
Road Sweeper Services Ltd - £348.76

FIN 20/50

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Date of the next meeting Tuesday 16th February 2021

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 11.35 am

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Cllr Mrs L Nelson
Chair