

NORTHWICH TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON
TUESDAY 20th APRIL 2021 VIA ZOOM

Members Present : Cllr T Melville (Chair)
Cllr S Naylor
Cllr G Emmett

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

FIN 20/74 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE OR ABSENCE**

Apologies received from Cllr K Rimmer, Cllr Mrs H Rowlands, Cllr M Rowley

FIN 20/75 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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

FIN 20/76 **SIGNING OF THE MINUTES**

Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting held on Tuesday 16th March 2021 and noted at Town Council Monday 6th April 2021 were approved

Proposed: Cllr G Emmett, seconded Cllr S Naylor, all approved

FIN 20/77 **DETAILED INCOME & EXPENDITURE BY BUDGET**

TC & FO answered various members' questions relating to budget headings

The following items were discussed in more detail:

Verdin Park - £75,000 from Veolia with a further £15,000 to come. NTC have matched funded but with income from various grants.

Old Hall Road - £110,000 from Wren and NTC given 10% towards the build. We are hoping to have this finished by summer as it will be a 3-4-week build.

Vickersway Park – 2 members of staff during opening hours due to it being busy with games and serving hot food. The park is doing very well.

Contract work – We have won new contracts over the last few months and have also taken on 3 new members of staff as we were short staffed throughout the Winter. With the new staff members we will now be able to look at spending additional time within the Town centre delivering enhancements to the town. If we do look to take on additional contracts then we will have to consider additional machinery to complete the works. Cllr Naylor had concerns of us getting too big. TC informed members we have most of the Parish Councils, looking after the grass and planting and any significant increase in contracts would be discussed with Council.

Proposed: Cllr G Emmett, seconded Cllr S Naylor, all approved

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Cllr K Rimmer
Chair

FIN 20/78

BACS DUE FOR PAYMENT

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

Flying Colours Flagmakers Limited – £539.40, costs for Middlewich Town Council bunting

Cheshire Self Drive – £2077.50, vehicle hire

John Harding & Son Ltd – £413.40, Green waste disposable

Proposed by Cllr K Rimmer, seconded by Cllr Mrs L Nelson, all approved

FIN 20/79

BANK PAYMENTS TO BE CHECK BY FINANCE

Members approved evidence for payments from February 2021 payments (January 2020 invoices)

Alan Radband - £2526.70

Cheshire Self Drive – £1692.38

Proposed by Cllr G Emmett and seconded by Cllr S Naylor, all agreed

Members approved evidence for payments from April 2020 (March invoices 2020)

Blue Arrow - £612.00

Northwich Tyres - £108.00

Proposed by Cllr G Emmett and seconded by Cllr S Naylor, all agreed

Members picked two suppliers from April 2021 payments (March 2020 invoices), evidence to be brought to finance meeting in May 2021 and chosen by Cllr G Emmett

Cheshire Farm Machinery – 1317.62

Flying Colours - £539.40

FIN 20/80

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Date of the next meeting Tuesday 18th May 2021 9.30am

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 10.05am

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Cllr K Rimmer
Chair