

# Bishop's Waltham Parish Council Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council Finance, Policy and Resources Committee held in the Ruby Room of the Jubilee Hall, Bishop's Waltham on Tuesday 4th April 2023 at 7pm.

Present:

Cllr D Iro

Chairman

Cllr K Jones

Vice Chairman

Cllr J Marsh

Cllr B Nicholson

Cllr R Stallard

Cllr J Williams

Non-Committee Member:

Cllr P Wilson

In attendance:

Mrs H Fisher

Finance Manager

Mrs E McKenzie

**Executive Officer** 

Mr J Storry

Responsible Finance Officer

Members of the public:

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FPR235/22

To receive and accept apologies for non-attendance.

Cllr Pavey - family commitment

Resolved: to accept apologies for non-attendance

Proposed: Cllr Iro Seconded: Cllr Williams

All in favour

FPR236/22

To receive and accept declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests relating to items on

this agenda

None.

FPR237/22

To receive and accept any personal, pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests relating to

items on this agenda

None.

FPR238/22

**Public Session** 

No matters arising.

FPR239/22

To approve the minutes from the meeting of the Finance, Policy and Resources Committee – 7th

March 2023

Resolved: to approve minutes of the Finance, Policy and Resources Committee – 7th March 2023

Proposed: Cllr Marsh Seconded: Cllr Williams

All in favour who were at the meeting on 7th March 2023.

FPR240/22

Actions arising from the meeting of the Finance, Policy and Resources Committee – 7th March 2023

Policies to be reviewed in summer 2023. All points from 2022 to be closed and addressed as further

actions as appropriate.

Car park machines noted as an increasing demand on office staff time and a review required as

soon as possible to ensure system fit for purpose and financially viable.

ACTION: Information to be passed to Halls and Grounds Committee for consideration at their next

meeting.

**ACTION: Executive Officer/ Finance Manager** 

FPR241/22

Report from RFO and Finance Manager

Report as tabled.

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FPR242/22 Finance matters:

Payments Schedule – to approve payments

Resolved: to approve the payments

**Proposed: Clir Jones** Seconded: Clir Stallard

All in favour

Bank Account Reconciliation Month 11 – to note the review by the Chairman.

Resolved: to note the review of the Bank Account Reconciliations Month 11 by the Chairman.

Proposed: Cllr Iro Seconded: Cllr Jones

All in favour

Parish Council Balance Sheet – to note current position

Resolved: to note the Parish Council Balance Sheet

Proposed: Cllr Iro Seconded: Cllr Williams

All in favour

**ACTION: Circulate list of creditors to Committee** 

**ACTION: Finance Manager** 

Income and Expenditure Forecast – to note current position

Resolved: to note the Income and Expenditure Forecast

Proposed: Cllr Marsh Seconded: Cllr Jones

All in favour

Ear Marked Reserves – to note current position

Resolved: to note the ear marked reserves

**Proposed: Clir Nicholson** Seconded: Cllr Stallard

All in favour

**Capital Control Report** FPR243/22

Noted.

FPR244/22 Internal Auditor Report

Two minor recommendations noted which had already been resolved and in action.

Resolved: to recommend the Internal Auditor Report to Full Council

Proposed: Clir Iro Seconded: Cllr Jones

All in favour

FPR245/22 **Review of Annual Asset Register Check** 

It was considered that an asset register management system was needed.

ACTION: To seek comparison between two providers and report back — ACTION: Finance Manager

FPR246/22 **Pension Discretionary Policy** 

The Finance Manager presented the paper and highlighted the policy aims.

Resolved: to approve the tabled Pension Discretionary policy, review the policy annually, make the policy available to employees and monitor when adjustments needed under Point 9: Determining

Rates of Employees' Contributions Regulation.

Proposed: Clir Nicholson Seconded: Cllr Marsh

All in favour

**ACTION: Circulate policy to employees** 

**ACTION: Executive Officer** 

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FPR247/22 Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Funding (BWPC)

Noted.

FPR248/22 Fireworks Event at Hoe Road Recreation Ground – 2023 Licence and Rates

Resolved: to approve the 2023 licence and rates for the Fireworks Event at Hoe Road Recreation

Ground as tabled.

**Proposed: Cllr Nicholson** 

Seconded: Cilr Iro

All in favour

ACTION: To ensure the lease is signed and bond lodged

**ACTION: Administration Officer** 

FPR249/22 Ear Marked Reserves from 2022/23 Budget

Resolved: to approve the movement of ear marked reserves as tabled

Proposed: Cllr Nicholson Seconded: Cllr Marsh

All in favour

ACTION: Complete movement to update records for 2023/24

**ACTION: Finance Manager** 

FPR250/22 Deed of Access Policy - Review

The situation arising, regarding one application that did not fit the current policy criteria, was

considered.

ACTION: All committee members to offer suggestions for amendment to policy

**ACTION: F,P&R Committee Councillors** 

FPR251/22 Land Disposal Policy - Drafts

Paper withdrawn.

FPR252/22 Membership of Standing Committee

The paper tabled was considered with two in favour of a statement of good practice regarding

membership of standing committees and four abstentions.

ACTION: Statutory duty of declaring interests before council meetings and the guiding Seven Principles of Public Life to be clearly explained to all councillors at first meeting of Council on 16th May 2023.

ACTION: Executive Officer

FPR253/22 Requests for future agenda items

Contract for upgrading IT systems Asset Register Management Systems

Deed of Access Policy review

Car Park Season Tickets

FPR254/22 Date of next meeting – Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2023

Noted.

FPR255/22 Motion for confidential business:

The Chairman then moved:

That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the public and press be temporarily excluded, and they are instructed to withdraw in accordance with the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960.

FPR256/22 Debtors List - for consideration

Ongoing case updated.

Note to all leases to be updated with regard to third party claims being handled by the landlord.

ACTION: Leases to be checked to include third party claim guidance.

**ACTION: Exec Officer/Finance Manager** 

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## FPR257/22 Skate Park Refurbishment Contractor

Resolved: To approve Gravity as the contractor for the installation of the new skatepark at Priory Park. The acceptance of the quotation is conditional upon working with the contractor to refine the final design and obtaining the necessary planning permission.

Proposed: Clir Nicholson Seconded: Clir Jones

All in favour

# FPR258/22 Halls Hire Conditions - Review

The case presented was duly considered.

The proposal was declined and a recommendation made to signpost grant opportunities available to small businesses.

ACTION: To signpost grant opportunities to the hall hirer ACTION: Administration Officer

The RFO left the meeting at this point.

### FPR259/22 Community Asset – Funding Opportunities

The recommendations of the working group were deliberated.

#### Resolved:

- i) To note the recommendations from the working group tabled and forward to Full Council for approval (as listed below)
- ii) To meet with representative in April to ascertain purchase opportunity
- iii) To continue to consider all funding options
- iv) To apply for CIL Funding (by 31.3.23)
- v) To investigate bank loan procedures (as a short term option) (Bank Loan and Public Works Board Loan)
- vi) To discuss Educational Institute Funding options
- vii) To confirm plan to sell BWPC property draft letter to tenant and gather valuation/proceed with estate agent
- viii) To undertake a survey of the BWPC property and consider maintenance plan

Proposed: Cllr Williams Seconded: Cllr Jones

All in favour

**ACTION: Executive Officer / Finance Officer** 

#### FPR260/22 CIL Funding Applications to Winchester City Council

Resolved: To ratify the decision from the working group to apply for CIL Funding (by 31.3.23) for the purchase of the community asset.

Proposed: Clir Iro Seconded: Clir Jones

All in favour

There being no further business the meeting ended at 9:23pm.

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