

CENTRAL SWINDON NORTH PARISH COUNCIL

**FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES
MEETING**

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 4th October 2022 7.00pm via Zoom Link.

Present

Cllr Patey

Cllr P. Exell – virtually

Cllr J. Yeowell

Cllr M. Lucas

Cllr K. Small

Dispensation (Section 85, Local Government Act 1972).

Cllr S Exell

Officers

A Reeves (Parish Clerk)

E Till (Head of Finance and Governance)

A Briggs (Estate Manager)

FGP043 **Public Questions**
None Received

FGP044 **Apologies**
None Received

FGP045 **Declarations of Interest & Applications for Dispensation**
Cllr J Ballman declared an interest in being a member of RCRA.
Resolved: Members NOTED the Declaration of Interest

FGP046 **Minutes of the previous meeting.**

RESOLVED: The Minutes for the Finance & General Purposes Committee for the 6th September 2022 are approved as an accurate record.

FGP047 **Transactions Logs**

RESOLVED: Cllr P Exell confirmed the GPC Transaction Logs for July 2022 were satisfactory.

FGP 048 **Budget Report**

RESOLVED: Councillors NOTED the July 2022 report.

FGP 049 **Payments Lists**

RESOLVED: Councillors NOTED the July 2022 Payments List report.

FGP 050 **Ear Marked Reserves**

RESOLVED: Councillors NOTED the July 2022 EMR report. A note was

made for the HofFG to remove the EMR lines with zero balance from the EMR list, where possible.

FGP 051 **Ward Allowance Update**

RESOLVED: Councillors NOTED the July 2022 Ward Allowances Balances report.

Members NOTED that following Full Council Committee meeting, the Councillors have the opportunity to transfer their councillor allowance to their ward allowance.

FGP 052 **Ward Allowance Requests**

Members **RESOLVED:**

1. NOTED the amendment to the WA spend: The current Ward Allowance EMR's below to be used for purchase and install of additional bollards along Rodbourne Road (which is an already agreed project - EMR367).

334	EMR - KS Percy St (WA)	3,169.48	-1,930.00	1,239.48
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367	EMR - KS Bollard install RS	1,200.00	-1,157.93	42.07
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2. APPROVED Cllr P Baker request of up to £1,000 from his Ward Allowance for the placement of a bench on or around Penhill Drive to replace a temporary memorial located off Corsham Road. The estimate cost is £400 for a metal bench and £500 for installation.
3. APPROVED Cllr M Lucas request for £500 from his Ward Allowance to be used towards the Mural to be painted on the Moredon Rd wall of the Rodbourne Cheney Working Men's Club, subject to permission received from landlord.

FGP 053 **Requests from L&R**

Members **RESOLVED:**

1. NOTED the officers spend allowance for pre-allocated budget item and AGREED to set up a Working Group to review the Financial Regulations before the end of next financial year to review increasing the officers spend allowance.
2. APPROVED the Capital Works Request – Fire Door replacement at The Reading Rooms & Chapel Street Toilets.
3. APPROVED the Play Area EMR324 remaining balance allocation request.

FGP 054 **Requests from FC**

Members **RESOLVED:**

1. APPROVED the Commercial Vehicle Review as per report recommendations.
Members APPROVED the increase of Budget Code 200/5030 Vehicle Rental by £10k within the 23/24 Budget.

Members APPROVED the cost of £4,000 to respray both vehicles prior to the sale. It was proposed for funds to be borrowed from the EMR 360 – Community Planters, subject to L&R approval.

2. APPROVED the Community Café Proposal. It was proposed for funds to come from the remaining balance of £5,000 from the EMR 360 – Community Planters, subject to L&R approval.
3. APPROVED the Warm Spaces Initiative. Initial funding to come from the discretionary spend budget of £10,000 from Community Wellbeing Committee budget as suggested by the Libraries Manager in his report and a review to follow in December.

FGP 055

Internal Audit & Control WG recommendation

Members NOTED the WG recommendations, and the Funding Timeline presented.

Members **RESOLVED** that this item is moved to Full Council with no further action required.

Meeting Closed: 19.47

Signed.....

Date.....8/2/23.

Chair of the Council