

## Minutes of meeting for Finance & General Purposes Committee

Date: Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2022 at 7.00pm at the Parish Council office

**Present:** Cllr Spencer, Cllr Thompson & Cllr Trupia-Melluish

**Absent:** Cllr Dott

**Also Present:** Teresa Floyd- Clerk

### Agenda Point

#### **82. Welcome, mobile phone reminders and fire exits**

Cllr Spencer welcomed everyone and reminded all to silence mobile devices and pointed out fire exits.

#### **83. To consider apologies for absence**

Apologies received from Cllr Dott

*It was proposed and seconded to accept apologies from Cllr Dott.*

**RESOLVED**

#### **84. To approve and authorise the signing of the minutes of the Finance & General Purposes meeting held on the [9<sup>th</sup> December 2021](#)**

*It was proposed and seconded to approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 9<sup>th</sup> December 2021*

**RESOLVED**

#### **85. To receive declarations of interest**

None

#### **86. Public Open Forum**

No public in attendance

#### **87. To review accounts, budget v spend & bank reconciliations for January 2022**

Accounts, budget v spend & bank reconciliations for January 2022 were reviewed with no issues raised.

#### **88. To review payment list for February 2022 and in particular the final payment to CGM**

The payment list was reviewed with no issues.

CGM have still not fulfilled the contract, therefore as per the termination agreement dated November 2021 failure to complete the work will result in CGM covering any costs that DPC incur in getting the work completed by a 3<sup>rd</sup> party.

*It was proposed and seconded to recommend to Full Council that the last payment to CGM will be the agreed amount less the cost of the work not completed and the cost to get LC Hedging to complete.*

**RESOLVED**

**89. To consider response to the Primary School consultation.**

*It was proposed and seconded to thank the Primary School for consulting us and respond with the following comments:*

As a Parish Council we would seek assurance that DPS continues to contribute to the local community as it currently does so well. We enjoy working with the school and would very much hope that this continues.

As a Parish Council we would also seek assurance that the school admissions policy continues to prioritise students resident in Deanshanger, having distance from school as a key admissions criterion.

DPC would also flag the importance of maintaining a SEND provision for the village's young children.

**RESOLVED**

**90. To consider sending the clerk on Emergency First Aid at Work training from St Johns Ambulance at £192**

*It was proposed and seconded to send Clerk on the first Aid training.*

**RESOLVED**

**91. To consider quote for hedge removal in Springfield Park £180**

*It was proposed and seconded to get the hedge removed.*

**RESOLVED**

**92. To consider quote for village gardens monthly maintenance (£100 per visit for 7 months)**

It was noted that the total amount for this would be for £700 and as per the financial regulations we would require 2 quotes. However, DPC have been unable to secure the required quotes, the quote given is from the current contractor and the work has been precepted.

*It was proposed and seconded to go ahead with the quote.*

**RESOLVED**

**93. To review Northway Allotment agreements for 2022/23**

No changes required to the agreement and the Clerk will get sent out in March.

An increase in fees were considered but it was agreed that as long as agreement 17 (watering of the sensory garden) is upheld by the plot holders then no increase in fees to be made.

*It was proposed and seconded to approve the agreement for 2022/23*

**RESOLVED**

**94. To consider an additional grass cut of the village prior to the start of the contract.**

An additional cut by would be over £1000 threshold for this committee, therefore this needs to be taken to Full Council. The Clerk will talk to the contractor to see when he intends to start the cut.

**RESOLVED**

**95. Close**

Cllr Spencer closed the meeting at 7.31pm