

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE & POLICY COMMITTEE OF TRING TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, THE MARKET HOUSE, HIGH STREET, TRING ON MONDAY 14th JANUARY 2019 AT 8:20 p.m.

Present: Councillors: Cllr S. Hearn (Chairman)
Mrs O. Conway
Mrs P. Hearn
N. Hollinghurst
C. Townsend
G. Wilkins

Also present: Cllr H. Grace
Cllr Mrs R. Ransley
Mr M. Curry, Town Clerk
Mrs. D. Slade (Deputy Town Clerk)
0 members of the public

19525. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr M. Hicks (prior appointment).

RESOLVED: To accept the apologies for the reasons given.

19526. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

19527. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE FINANCE & POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 5TH NOVEMBER 2018

RESOLVED: To accept the Minutes as presented and for the Chairman to sign them.

19528. MATTERS OF REPORT FROM THE MINUTES

The Clerk reported that the interim internal audit had been completed and the auditor's report would be presented at the Council meeting.

19529. CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS

None

19530. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public present

19531. THE BUDGET & PRECEPT 2019/20

The Clerk presented an updated draft budget in light of the third quarter outturn forecast, the finalised tax base and Dacorum Borough Council approved grants.

Following discussion the following items of expenditure were added to the Committee's initial recommendations (Minute ref 19441) to the Council for inclusion in the budget:

- One month's flexi-hire of a van as a trial before the possible acquisition of a vehicle (£500)
- Subject to agreement with Dacorum Borough Council, a contribution (£9,000) towards the purchase of a CCTV camera for the High Street
- A grant to Tring Together to run the Job Show in 2019 (£1,300)
- The purchase of mowing equipment (£1,800)
- The purchase of a staff training e-learning package (£350)

This gave a £1,690 budget surplus of income over expenditure.

RESOLVED: To recommend to Council (i) a precept based on a 2% increase in the Band D rate (ii) to include the additional items of expenditure as qualified above in addition to those of minute 19441

19532. THE DATA PROTECTION OFFICER'S REPORT

The Data Protection Officer's report was circulated prior to the meeting. The Deputy Clerk explained the actions being undertaken to implement the recommendations.

The Members thanked the Deputy Clerk for her work with regard to the General Data Protection Regulations

RESOLVED: To note the report and actions taken.

19533. GRANT APPLICATIONS: to consider an application from Tring Community Centre to support the dementia café

RESOLVED: To approve the grant application received

The meeting ended at 8:55p.m.

Chairman