

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 13th JANUARY 2020 AT 8:45 p.m.

Present: Councillors: C. Townsend (Chairman)
P. Elley
P. Hearn
H. Piper
R. Ransley

Also present: Cllr R. Hollinghurst
Cllr P McDowell
Mr M. Curry, Town Clerk
Mrs. D. Slade (Deputy Town Clerk)
0 members of the public

19994. APOLOGIES

Cllr Bowden gave his apologies (illness)

RESOLVED: To accept the apologies for the reasons given

19995. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

19996. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE FINANCE & POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 4TH NOVEMBER 2019

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

19997. MATTERS OF REPORT FROM THE MINUTES

None

19998. CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS

The Clerk reported that the results of the tree audit had been received. There were no assessments that rated immediate attention; because if this the sum included in the budget could be reduced to £1,000.

19999. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public present

20000. THE BUDGET & PRECEPT 2020/21

A draft budget was circulated prior to the meeting – the draft incorporated the items identified at the Council meeting held on 16th December 2019 and some changes as a result of recent information. All the amendments were reviewed. The allocation for the tree audit would be reduced from £1,600 to £1,000.

RESOLVED: To recommend adoption of the draft budget, financed by an increase in the precept, by the Council at the meeting on 27th January 2020

20001. THE PURCHASE OF A VAN FOR USE BY THE COUNCIL'S GROUND STAFF

Resolution 19982 taken at the Council meeting held on 16th December 2019 delegated authority to the Committee to determine the proposed purchase of a van for use by the Council's ground staff. A report analysing the three quotations received and detailing the

precautions necessary when using a diesel for short journeys was circulated prior to the meeting.

RESOLVED: To accept the quotation received from Nissan Aylesbury for the purchase of a NV250 van

**20002. THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT PENSION SCHEME TOWN & PARISH COUNCIL
POOLING AGREEMENT & TRIENNIAL ACTUARIAL VALUATION**

Details of the pooling agreement and the valuation were circulated prior to the meeting.

RESOLVED: To remain in the pooling agreement and to note the new employer's contribution rate

The meeting ended at 9:20p.m.

Chairman