

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE ON TUESDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2024 IN THE PARISH OFFICE MEETING ROOM, MARDEN MEMORIAL HALL, GOUDHURST ROAD, MARDEN COMMENCING AT 7.30PM

Cllrs proposed, and agreed, that Cllr Tippen would take the chair for the first time on the agenda.

## 001/24 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Cllr Gibson proposed, and Cllr Tippen seconded that Cllr Turner be elected Chairman of the Finance Committee for the forthcoming Council year. Cllr Turner accepted and took the chair for the remainder of the meeting.

#### 002/24 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

Cllr Turner proposed, and Cllr Tippen seconded that Cllr Adam be elected Vice-Chairman of the Finance Committee for the forthcoming Council year. Cllr Adam accepted.

#### **003/24 PRESENT:**

Cllrs Adam, Gibson, Tippen and Turner were in attendance. The Clerk was also present.

#### 004/24 APOLOGIES:

Cllrs Besant and Boswell gave their apologies.

#### 005/24 APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

Cllrs received and approved the minutes of the meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024 which were duly signed as a true record.

#### 006/24 CLLR INFORMATION

## **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

## **Granting of Dispensation**

There were no requests for dispensation.

## 007/24 IDENTIFICATION OF ITEMS INVOLVING PUBLIC SPEAKING

There were no members of the public in attendance.

# 008/24 1ST QUARTER ACCOUNTS FOR 2024/25

Cllrs received and agreed the 1st quarter income and expenditure for 2024/2025

#### 009/24 EXPENDITURE

Cllrs considered the following additional items of expenditure from CIL/MPC capital funds: Solar panels on public conveniences – this was deferred as there may be grant funding available. Cllr Tippen and Clerk to look at the forms and report back to the next meeting if unsuccessful.

Picnic benches at Playing Field – The Admin Assistant would be asked to obtain more quotes and these would be taken to the Amenities Committee for decision on location and style.

#### 010/24 NEW FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

Cllrs received and discussed the changes to MPC Financial Regulations following receipt of revised regulations from NALC. Cllrs made a couple of amendments and these would be put before Full Council for ratification.

## 011/24 INVOICES

The following invoices were submitted for payment:

Kent County Council – photocopier rental - £331.41

KALC – Planning training - £53.80

Play Scheme Employees – Staff working Week 1 only salaries - £724.57

Total: £1,109.78

Cllrs agreed payments and Cllrs Adam and Gibson would authorise on Unity.

The following cheque was signed:

Mr T Standen – preparation of plots x 2 for interment of ashes - £100.00

The Clerk also requested that agreement be given to two Cllrs to authorise the Play Scheme staff at the end of the scheme. This was given and Cllrs Tippen and Turner would be notified once payments were on Unity. The final figure would be reported to Full Council.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.32pm.

Date:

Signed:

Cllr Andy Turner

Chairman, Finance Committee

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