

Minutes of a Meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held in the William Blake Memorial Hall on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2017 when the following business was conducted:

**PRESENT** Cllr Mr Courtney Salway (Chairman) Cllrs D Williams, S Beaufoy, B Chitty, C Bragg, N Wakely and the Parish Clerk Kate Alford

**FGP14.1 To receive any apologies for non-attendance**

None

**FGP14.2 To receive any declarations of interest**

None

**FGP14.3 To receive and approve the Minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee Meeting held on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2017**

**The minutes of Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October were received, agreed and signed off as a correct representation of the meeting.**

**FGP14.4 Matters for report purposes only**

**(1) Review the Council's current charges in respect of the Cemetery, Allotments and any other ancillary charges.**

A list of the set of charges and rents had been sent out to all Cllrs to review. Following a discussion around all areas, the Committee was satisfied with that the charges should remain as they are at the present time. It was suggested that some comparison research was made in relation to Allotment Charges with other local towns.

**(2) Ideas requested from the F&GP Committee and Parish Council to suggest to put forward for the budget for next year. Ideas/requests to be submitted in time for the November F&GP Meeting.**

Areas suggested: Youth Club, SPIB, Youth Outreach facility, Chapels.

**(3) Mere Lynches Grant of £200.00**

Granted.

**FGP14.5 Resolutions**

**(1) Resolve to review income and spending year to date and to agree current figures meet with expectation.**

This was reviewed & discussed by the members present. Income and spending agreed to be in line with the current expectation with some expected incomes to be received before the next meeting.

**(2) To resolve to review Ear Marked Reserves and make any changes necessary to their allocation.**

Resolved to move the Library Fund & Parish Plan reserves into the General Reserves. Confirmed that hopefully all funds needed from the Neighbourhood Plan Reserves have now been spent.

- (3) Resolved to recommend the appointment of a self employed administrator to carry out the work for the SPCPG for a maximum of 6 hours per month at a rate of £9 per hour, and a review of the appointment after 6 months.**

Resolved to recommend to full Parish Council that this appointment be made, with a backdated start date to September 2017.

**FGP14.6 Other Matters referred to the Clerk**

None

**FGP14.7 Date Time & Place of next Meeting – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018, 6.30pm at The William Blake Memorial Hall, South Petherton.**