



SOUTH PETHERTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the **Meeting** of the **Finance & General Purposes Committee** held at The Blake Hall on Monday 5th September 2022 when the following business was conducted:

PRESENT Cllrs C Bragg, N Wakely, B Chitty, S Carp, T New & and Clerks Mrs K Alford & Mrs R Swift
2 members of the public were in attendance.

FGP3.1 To appoint a Chairman

Cllr Bragg was proposed as Chairman.

Proposed Cllr New, seconded Cllr Carp, all in favour

FGP3.2 To appoint a Vice Chairman

Committee agreed not to appoint a Vice Chair.

Proposed Cllr New, seconded Cllr Wakely, all in favour.

The committee wished to minute their sincere thanks to Courtney Salway for his work on the council following his resignation from the council last month, and, in particular, as Chair of the Finance & General Purpose Committee. The time and commitment given to this role has been greatly appreciated, and the committee send their thanks on behalf of both the Council and the Parish.

FGP3.3 To receive & agree apologies for non-attendance.

None

FGP3.4 To receive any declarations of interest.

None

FGP3.5 To receive and approve the Minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee Meeting held on Monday 6th June 2022

Received and approved

FGP3.6 Matters for report purposes only

- **PKF Littlejohn – External Audit.**

Committee were advised that the External Audit report is still no back from PKF Littlejohn.

FGP3.7 Resolutions

- (1) **To resolve to review income and spending and agree that current figures meet with expectation to 30th June 2022 (end of Q1) & to date (31st July 2022).**

Account summaries were reviewed and agreed

Proposed Cllr Bragg, seconded Cllr Carp, all in favour.

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

Ear Marked Reserves were reviewed and agreed.

Proposed Cllr Bragg, seconded Cllr New, all in favour.

- (3) **To resolve to open new accounts, as per report, and distribute Parish funds to ensure these funds are protected whilst obtaining maximum returns.**

Resolved to close the Bath Building Society account, and open:

1. CCLA account (Churches, Charities and Local Authorities) Instant access - £50k

2. Nationwide commercial 30 Day Saver – balance of the Bath Building Society account – approx. £65k.

Proposed Cllr Bragg, seconded Cllr New, all in favour.

(4) To resolve to respond to CAAA opt-out decision.

Resolved not to opt-out.

Proposed Cllr Bragg, seconded Cllr New, all in favour.

(5) To resolve to erect a new streetlight in Crown Lane at a cost of £3,500 – with Somerset County Council adopting this after purchase and erection.

Resolved to go ahead immediately if the council is able to use the current Market Town Investment Group (MTIG) grant. If this is not possible, then it will be discussed under budget setting for 2023/24.

Proposed Cllr Bragg, seconded Cllr New, all in favour

FGP3.8 Other Matters referred to the Clerk

None

FGP3.9 Date of next meeting – Monday 5th December 2022