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| Minutes of the FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING held Tuesday 8th January 2019 at Kingsmead Primary School, Dul | ke: |
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| Way, Kingsmead  |     |

Attended by: Cllr Reed (Chair), Cllr Hoey, Cllr Boylan, Cllr Bannister & Jo O'Donoghue (Clerk)

### 1. To receive apologies

**Resolved:** Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Martin

# 2. Disclosure of interest in items on the agenda

a) To receive from members, disclosure of any (a) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and, (b) Other Disclosable Interests as required under Chapter 7 of the Localism Act 2011 and Kingsmead Parish Council's Code of Conduct

**Resolved**: It was unanimously agreed that no member, present at the meeting, disclosed any (a) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and, (b) Other Disclosable Interests as required under Chapter 7 of the Localism Act 2011 and Kingsmead Parish Council's Code of Conduct.

### 3. Public open forum

**Noted:** No member of the public attended the meeting

### 4. To note VAT return

**Noted:** It was noted that the VAT claim for the period 1st October to 30th November 2018 in the sum of £5000 was submitted to HMRC on 5th December 2018 and paid on 28th December 2018.

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### 5. To review employee costs (HMRC, Salary/salary scale and pension cost for Council)

a) To review employee contract following advice from Jackie Weaver (CEO Cheshire Association of Local Councils) to consider increase in hours from 15 – 20 per week

**Noted**: The Clerk provided a written report prior to the meeting and it was noted that the Clerk is paid £720/year for office provision which is declared to HMRC and that this is included in the Clerk's contract.

**Resolved**: It was proposed by Cllr Hoey, seconded by Cllr Reed and unanimously agreed to increase the Clerk's working hours to 20 flexible hours per week from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019 (Scale 38). Amendment to be made to Clerk's contract to be signed by the Chair by 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019.

ACTION: JO/CHAIR

## 6. **2019 – 2020 Budget**

a) To consider budget for 2019 – 2020 (to be recommended to full council)

**Resolved**: The Clerk provided a written report prior to the meeting. Councillors considered each budget line item and unanimously agreed to recommend to full council that a budget be set of £184,054 (Appendix A).

# 7. **2019 - 2020 Precept**

a) To note Council Tax Reduction Scheme Grant of £468 from Cheshire West and Chester Council

**Noted**: The grant was noted

b) To note minute resolution 15/10/2018/6c to increase the precept by £15,000 over budget per year over the next 3 years to achieve reserves of £45,000 in 3 years

**Noted**: The resolution was noted

c) To consider precept for 2019 – 2020 (to be recommended to full council)

**Resolved**: It was unanimously agreed to recommend to full council a precept of £185,000 for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020. This represents an increase of 31.1% and an average Band D charge of £97.47 per year.

## 8. Asset Register

a) To note current asset register

**Noted**: The assets register was noted

b) To agree any revisions (to be recommended to full council)

Noted: No revisions were agreed

## 9. Close of Meeting

The meeting closed at 8.35pm

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|      |                               | Current Year<br>Budget | Next Year<br>Budget |
|------|-------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| 100  | Income                        |                        |                     |
| 1076 | Precept                       | 136,634                | 185,000             |
| 1100 | Grants & Donation Received    | 936                    | 468                 |
| 1990 | Other Income                  | 0                      | 100                 |
|      | Total Income                  | 137,570                | 185,568             |
|      | Income - Net Expenditure      | -137,570               | -185,568            |
| 110  | Staff Costs                   |                        |                     |
| 4000 | Staff Salary                  | 13,135                 | 15,210              |
| 4010 | PAYE & NI                     | 1,215                  | 3,000               |
| 4030 | Pension                       | 3,520                  | 4,937               |
| 4050 | Staff Mileage & Benefits      | 0                      | 100                 |
|      | Total Overhead Expenditure    | 17,870                 | 23,247              |
|      | Staff Costs - Net Expenditure | 17,870                 | 23,247              |
| 120  | Admin Costs                   |                        |                     |
| 4200 | Training                      | 300                    | 1,000               |
| 4205 | Bank Charges                  | 0                      | 100                 |
| 4210 | Audit Fees                    | 1,000                  | 1,000               |
| 4215 | Legal Professional Fees       | 1,000                  | 1,000               |
| 4220 | Subscriptions & Memberships   | 1,500                  | 1,500               |
| 4225 | Insurance                     | 1,000                  | 1,500               |
| 4230 | Stationery & Postage          | 0                      | 100                 |
| 4235 | Telephone & Broadband         | 0                      | 480                 |
| 4236 | PC Office Costs               | 2,300                  | 840                 |
| 4240 | Website                       | 0                      | 1,500               |
| 4245 | Newsletter                    | 1,000                  | 500                 |
| 4250 | Grants Paid                   | 1,000                  | 1,000               |
| 4260 | Elections                     | 1                      | 2,337               |
|      | Total Overhead Expenditure    | 9,101                  | 12,857              |
|      | Admin Costs - Net Expenditure | 9,101                  | 12,857              |
| 130  | Maintenance                   |                        |                     |
| 4300 | Grounds Maintenance Contract  | 69,984                 | 58,320              |
| 4305 | Additional Grounds            | 11,500                 | 15,000              |
| 4310 | Monuments                     | 300                    | 0                   |
| 4320 | Clocktower                    | 0                      | 130                 |
| 4330 | Speedgun                      | 0                      | 300                 |
| 4340 | Ponds & Culvert               | 23,500                 | 23,500              |
| 4350 | Paths                         | 5,000                  | 5,350               |

|              |                               | Current Year<br>Budget | Next Year<br>Budget |  |  |  |
|--------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|--|--|--|
| 4360         | Tree Works                    | 1                      | 10,000              |  |  |  |
|              | Total Overhead Expenditure    | 110,285                | 112,600             |  |  |  |
|              | Maintenance - Net Expenditure | 110,285                | 112,600             |  |  |  |
| 140          | Play Areas                    |                        |                     |  |  |  |
| 4400         | Maintenance                   | 2,700                  | 3,000               |  |  |  |
| 4410         | Inspections                   | 1,662                  | 1,000               |  |  |  |
| 4420         | Equipment                     | 0                      | 15,000              |  |  |  |
|              | Total Overhead Expenditure    | 4,362                  | 19,000              |  |  |  |
|              | Play Areas - Net Expenditure  | 4,362                  | 19,000              |  |  |  |
| 150          | Events                        |                        |                     |  |  |  |
| 4500         | Open Day                      | 1,000                  | 1,000               |  |  |  |
| 4505         | Best Kept Garden              | 0                      | 350                 |  |  |  |
| 4510         | Xmas Lighting                 | 2,500                  | 5,000               |  |  |  |
|              | Total Overhead Expenditure    | 3,500                  | 6,350               |  |  |  |
|              | Events - Net Expenditure      | 3,500                  | 6,350               |  |  |  |
| 999 VAT Data |                               |                        |                     |  |  |  |
| 515          | VAT on Payments               | 18,000                 | 10,000              |  |  |  |
|              | Total Overhead Expenditure    | 18,000                 | 10,000              |  |  |  |
| 115          | VAT on Receipts               | 18,000                 | 10,000              |  |  |  |
|              | Total Income                  | 18,000                 | 10,000              |  |  |  |
|              | Total Budget                  | 163,118                | 184,054             |  |  |  |
|              | Income :                      | 155,570                | 195,568             |  |  |  |
|              | Net Expenditure               | 7,548                  | -11,514             |  |  |  |