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Minutes of Extra Ordinary Finance & General Purposes Committee held on Monday 2nd April 2024 @ 6PM.

Attendance

Cllr Sarah Balfour - Chair Cllr Suzy Sherratt Cllr John Bell Cllr Sharon Maiden Cllr Martin Robers

Clerk J Nolan

0 members of the public present

Reminder by the Chair of the Council's expectations for the audio or visual recording of this
meeting. The Parish Council meeting may be audio recorded under the Openness of Local
Government Regulations 2014. Devices are to be placed on the table provided throughout the
meeting.

2. Apologies

- 2.1 To receive apologies for absence given in advance of the meeting
- 2.2 To consider the approval of reasons given for absence
- **2.1** Apologies for absence were given in respect of Cllr Hall. The reason for absence were noted by the Clerk. It was **noted** that Cllr Roberts was running late.
- 2.2 Apologies for absence given were approved, All in favour.

3. Declarations of Interests and Dispensations

- **3.1** To receive any declarations of interest not already declared under the Council's Code of conduct or a member's Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests on items on the agenda
- **3.2** To receive, consider and decide upon any written applications for dispensation for disclosable pecuniary interest
- 3.3 To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate

3.1 / 3.2 / 3.3 None to receive.

- 4. To review for adoption, a draft investment policy and make recommendation to full council
- **4.1** Proposer Cllr Bell, Seconded Cllr Maiden All in Favour.

- 5. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETING ACT 1960) THAT THE PRESS AND THE PUBLIC BE EXCLUDED FROM THE REMAINDER OF THE MEETING ON THE GROUNDS THAT PUBLICITY WOULD BE PREJUDICIAL TO THE CONFIDENTAIL NATURE OF THE BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED
- **5.1** No members of the public in attendance.

Cllr Roberts arrived.

- 6. To discuss for recommendation to full council, the potential requirement for an additional independent playground inspection to be completed due to suspected vandalism to the Youth Shelter.
- **6.1** A discussion took place. It was **proposed** that due to recent suspected vandalism acts within the village, that an additional full independent playground inspection is completed immediately. It was requested that this would be with an alternative supplier to who completed the last inspection for a fresh review and that this would be actioned immediately by the Clerk under delegated powers for emergency works regarding human safety.

Proposer Cllr Bell, Seconded Cllr Maiden – All in Favour. **Resolved**: Delegated Powers for the Clerk to action immediately.

7. Low Ackworth Community Centre Project

- 7.1 To receive a report on applications received by way of expression of interest submission
- 7.2 To vote on candidates to shortlist and make recommendation to full council
- **7.3** To review a supplementary appendix to the existing EOI document outlining the next stage of process/timeline for shortlisted candidates and make recommendation to full council
- **7.4** To receive the feedback report from the meeting of the Low Ackworth Community Centre Working Group on 21st March 2024 and make recommendation to full council where required

7.1 Report received.

7.2 This committee followed a process inline with the scoring methodology within the Expression of Interest document.

Candidates were scored and ranked; scoring was verified. The highest scoring candidates were reviewed and discussed.

It was **proposed for recommendation** that the 4 candidates in 1st and 2nd place are to all be shortlisted for the opportunity to tender. That the candidate in 5th place would be notified as a reserve candidate should more than 2 proposed shortlisted candidates remove themselves from the tender process.

Proposer Cllr Bell, Seconded Cllr Balfour - All in Favour

7.3 Proposed for recommendation. Proposer Cllr Balfour, Seconded Cllr Roberts – All in Favour

7.4 Received.

It was **noted** that in relation to agenda item 7 of the feedback report received, that there would be a wider public consultation which forms part of an integral statutory requirement of this process.

Time Closed: 18:55