



**Minutes of the Estates & Finance Meeting
Town Council Chamber
Thursday 30th November 2023 at 6pm**

Present:

Cllr G Morgan (Chairman)
Cllr D Flower
Cllr T Holder
Cllr M Turner

In Attendance:

E Bennett (Clerk)

Absent:

Cllr J Charlton-Wright

Apologies:

Cllr C Brown
Cllr R Sterry

1. **To receive apologies for absence**
Apologies for absence were received and accepted from R Sterry and C Brown.
2. **Declarations of Interest – to receive any declarations of interest in any matter to be discussed at the meeting. Members and Officers are requested to identify the nature of the interest.**
None
3. **Public Participation Session – to provide the opportunity for Members of the Public to raise questions or comment on items on the Agenda (limited to 15 minutes, with a maximum 3 minutes per person)**
None
4. **Chairman's Urgent Business (information only item)**
None
5. **To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting held on 25th October 2023 (copy herewith)**

The minutes of the meeting, having been previously circulated, were confirmed and signed as a true record.

Proposed Cllr Flower, Seconded Cllr Holder. All in agreement.

6. Matters Arising from Minutes

None.

7. To receive and approve the Committee Terms of Reference

The Committee considered the Estates & Finance Terms of Reference. These were proposed by Cllr Holder and Seconded by Cllr Flower. Agreed.

8. To receive and review the draft budget for 2024/2025 and agree any revisions or adjustments

The Committee discussed the new items and the sums allocated, current inflation figures and plans for the financial year 2024/25. The Committee considered the draft budget in detail and adjustments by Councillors were made. The Clerk would circulate the amended draft to all Councillors.

9. To receive an update on the Cinderford Bowling Club water situation

CTC remain in communication with all parties. No progress to report.

10. To receive an update following the electrician visit to the Steam Mills Pavillion

CTC's electrician had tested the electrics. There was no tripping of the electrics and no visible damage to the electricity cables found. Further information had been sought from the football club.

11. To consider grant applications and donation/funding requests:

Artspace and Wyldwood arts outreach project - £750 towards outreach project work with FOD artist Jenny Cashmore. The Committee agreed to award £50. APPROVED with the following Record of Voting: Unanimous. [Budget Code: 55/4500].

FOD Gymnastics Club - donation towards hall repairs. The Committee agreed not to contribute, recognising that the building to be repaired was outside of the parish. APPROVED with the following Record of Voting: Unanimous.

12. To receive the SARA grant thank you letter and note recent correspondence from Cinderford Baptist Church update

Received and noted. The Cinderford Baptist Church had declined the grass cutting by staff.

13. To receive details of any items for the next agenda

None identified

Signed:.....

Date: 5/3/2024