

**Market Drayton Town Council**

**Minutes of a Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting  
held at The Town Hall, Frogmore Road on Thursday 22 February at 7.30pm.**

**PRESENT:** Councillors: R. Aldcroft, Mrs J. Beckett, C. Chapman, M. Erwin, P. Glover, G. Groves, R Hughes (Chairman) W. Love, T. Manton, I. Nellins, and A. Sanderson.

**ABSENT:** Councillor T. Beckett.

**In Attendance:** 1 member of the public was present and 1 member of the public listening to the meeting via Teams.

**Clerks:** Sue Thomas, Town Clerk and Kate Harvey, Assistant Clerk.

**1.FG APOLOGIES**

Members **NOTED** the following apology:

Councillor T. Beckett - Work Commitments

**2.FG DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

- i. No disclosable interests were declared.
- ii. There were no applications for Dispensations under s33 of the Localism Act 2011 received.

**3.FG PUBLIC SESSION**

Mrs Grundy spoke on the following issues:

- Drainage - the infrastructure needs attention in Queen Street.
- Towers Lawn Toilets - The disabled toilet needs bring up to date to be like the disabled toilet at the Town Hall; the toilets need a wider door and the toilet pan needs to be higher. Unacceptable cleaning.
- The Zone - Unacceptable cleaning and at inappropriate times.

The Chairman thanked Mrs Grundy for attending the meeting.

Councillor Chapman said the drainage issues have been picked up on the town inspection that has been recently carried out. The infrastructure is the responsibility of Seven Trent who have already been contacted.

Councillor Manton said Towers Lawn public toilets are going to be discussed at the next Services and Facilities meeting with the possibility of a whole upgrade.

Mrs Grundy left the Chamber.

**4.FG MINUTES**

Councillor Manton proposed, Councillor Glover seconded, and it was **RESOLVED** with 1 abstention:

To approve the minutes of Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting held on 14 December 2023.

#### 5.FG GRANTS

Documents were circulated prior to the meeting.

##### i. Small Grants

Councillors considered the small grant request from Market Drayton Swimming Club for £300.

It was agreed that the application met the criteria for funding and after a brief discussion:

Councillor Nellins proposed, Councillor Sanderson seconded, and it was **RESOLVED:**

**To award a small grant of £300 to the Market Drayton Swimming Club to help support the costs for pool hire and coaches to deliver a targeted turns session to swimmers.**

##### ii. Large Grants

Members **NOTED** there were no requests for Large Grants and there is £5,866 remaining in budget.

#### 6.FG HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY

Documents were circulated prior to the meeting.

Councillor Sanderson proposed, Councillor Aldcroft seconded, and it was **RESOLVED:**

**To adopt:**

- i. **The Health and Safety Policy.**
- ii. **The Health and Safety General Policy Statement.**

#### 7.FL FINANCIAL REPORT

Documents were circulated prior to the meeting.

No questions were asked.

Councillor Manton proposed, Councillor Nellins seconded, and it was **RESOLVED:**

**To agree the income and expenditure report for:**

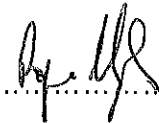
**1 December 2023 – 31 January 2024.**

**8.FG UPDATES AND INFORMATION**

The following updates were **NOTED**:

- i) Financial Regulations Section 2.2; the bank reconciliations have been signed off.
- ii) Market Drayton Town Council will be receiving a Neighbourhood Fund payment of £66,780.43 in April.

The meeting concluded at 7.38 p.m.

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Date: 13/06/2024 .....