



ALDERLEY EDGE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Finance Committee held on Monday 17th January 2022

Present: Cllr M Garbett (Chairman), Cllrs C Browne, B Chapman, M Dudley-Jones, V Fogharty, S Greenwood, R Grantham, L Marshall

In attendance: Clerk – A. Ross, Deputy Clerk

Meeting Commenced: 8:14 pm

1. Apologies for Absence.

Cllrs K Robinson.

2. Declarations of interest and requests for dispensation to discuss, or discuss and vote on a matter in which a Member or co-opted Member has a Disclosable Pecuniary interest (DPI).

None

3. Minutes of the meeting held on 11th October 2021

Approval proposed by Councillor M Garbett seconded by Councillor B Chapman and carried.

4. Recommendations for expenditure:

a) To retrospectively approve the following items:

None

b) To consider any other recommendations/requests:

To approve cost for maintenance of Beech Close Allotments access road £125.00

Cllr Greenwood confirmed the lease requires the association to keep the pathways in good repair and wasn't sure it was the responsibility of the Parish Council. Cllr Browne suggested the association apply for a grant to make it clear that any approval on spend is discretionary and the Parish Council are not assuming responsibility for the infrastructure of the site. All councillors were in agreement.

To approve cost to dredge the water culvert on Heyes Lane allotment site. Up to £3000.00

Cllr Greenwood suggested this item be deferred as it has been reported that water voles are present on site and a full survey is required before any works could start. It was agreed to approve spend of up to £1000 on a survey of the site to include a methodology statement of how to proceed if water voles are present.

5. To approve the schedule of items paid in total amount of £71,998.64

Approval proposed by Councillor M Garbett seconded by Councillor R Grantham and carried.

6. To approve the Income and Expenditure accounts.

Approval proposed by Councillor M Garbett seconded by Councillor R Grantham and carried.

7. To review the Medium-Term Financial Plan (MTFP) figures

Cllr Garbett explained the latest position and the figures were noted.

8. Report from relevant councillor regarding internal controls, including check on individual salary figures.

Cllr Grantham reported that she had carried out the checks and was satisfied everything was in order.

9.To approve the wastage/discount reports & stock movements for the bar.

Cllr Grantham explained that a full stock check had been undertaken and adjustments made to ensure the figures are accurate going forward. She was satisfied the wastage/discount were within acceptable limits and recommended approval.

Approval proposed by Councillor R Grantham seconded by Councillor M Garbett and carried.

10. To discuss and agree the budget for 2022/2023.

The draft budget had been circulated to all councillors. Cllr Garbett outlined the budget proposals and invited comments. After discussion Councillor M Garbett proposed, Councillor C Browne seconded and the budget was approved

11. Reports from Councillors

None

Meeting Closed: 8:49pm

ACTION SUMMARY

Undertaken By	Detail	When For

Councillor M Garbett

CHAIRMAN