

District of South Cambridgeshire

FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE

A meeting of this Committee was held at The Hub Community Centre, Cambourne on Tuesday 20th December 2016

Present:

Cllr S Crocker (Chairman)

Cllr P Gavigan

Cllr S Krintas

Cllr J Patel

Cllr Mrs R Poulton

In attendance: John Vickery Parish Clerk

Liz Pinchen Deputy Parish Clerk

1 member of the Public was in attendance for the meeting.

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr J O'Dwyer. An acceptable reason for absence had been given.

It was:

RESOLVED that the apologies for absence from Cllr J O'Dwyer be received and approved.

2. MINUTES

It was

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meetings held on Tuesday 22nd March 2016 (M64) were confirmed as being a correct record and duly signed by the Chairman.

3. MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTEREST OR REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION for items on the agenda.

Cllr S Crocker declared a personal non-disclosable interest in items on the agenda as he is also a District Councillor.

Cllr J Patel declared a pecuniary interest as Treasurer of the Cambourne Youth Partnership.

4. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

• The Chairman expressed his disappointment at comments made in the



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Cambridge News by Cambridgeshire County Councillor Noel Kavanagh that social problems were imminent in Cambourne due to the lack of facilities for youths in Cambourne. Cllr Kavanagh will be invited to attend a future meeting.

9 POST OFFICE

Cllr G Thompson was in attendance for this item as a member of the Post Office Working Party.

It was agreed to bring this item forward on the agenda and out of the confidential section.

The Chairman gave a summary of the attached report.

The Post Office are currently advertising the opportunity but this needs to be made more public. Cllr Crocker reported that he has written to businesses in Cambourne but as yet has not had any positive response. It was suggested that the new pub or Co-op could be a potential options or an affordable unit could be requested on the High Street development to house a newsagents with a Post Office.

The Parish Chairman will post an update on the Cambourne Information Facebook Page.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received.

5. BUDGET 2017-2018

The Parish Clerk presented the draft budget for consideration. Clarification was given on the background of the figures and queries were answered.

It was:

RESOLVED that the amended Draft Budget estimates be presented at the next full Council meeting with a recommendation for adoption.

The Chairman thanked the Parish Clerk for his work put into producing the Budget and for his persistence in challenging the estimated Band D tax base figures.

6. INCIDENTS AT PARISH BUILDINGS

The Parish Clerk presented a report to the Committee.(Report attached)

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

No Correspondence had been received.

8. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

Exclusion of the press and the public.

MOVE: that in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and by reason of the confidential nature of the remainder of

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the business, the Press and the Public are excluded from the Meeting.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

10. STAFFING

The Parish Clerk reported on various staffing matters. Barry Webb has been appointed as Caretaker and David Lawrence has been appointed at Groundsman. Both will start work on 3rd January 2016.

It was:

RESOLVED that the reports be received and the recommended actions be taken.

11. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

Re-admittance of the press and the public.

MOVE: that the confidential business having been concluded, the Press and Public be re-admitted to the meeting.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 21st March 2017