Hollinswood and Randlay Parish Council

Chairman of the Committee: Cllr H Unwin Clerk: Katrina Baker MBE MILCM

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 6th January 2020 at 8.10p.m. at Hollinswood Neighbourhood Centre.

Present: Councillor H Unwin

Councillor S Unwin

Councillor S Vaughan-Hodkinson

Councillor C Turley Councillor L Ricketts Councillor S Snell Councillor V Holt

In Attendance: Katrina Baker, Clerk

FA20/598 Welcome

Councillor H Unwin welcomed members to the meeting and thanked them for attending

FA20/599 Apologies

None

FA20/600 Declarations of Interest

Members declared their interests according to the register which is available.

All members resident in the Parish Budget discussions

Members received a dispensation to take part in the considerations.

Councillor C Turley Armed Forces & Veterans Breakfast Clubs

FA20/601 Minutes of the meeting held on 25th November 2019

It was proposed by ClIr H Unwin and seconded by ClIr Ricketts, all were in favour and thus it was

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 25th November 2019 be signed as a true record.

FA20/602 Matters Arising from the Minutes

Clerk's Review

The written report has not yet been completed.

Grant Applications

No reply had been received from the Armed Forces & Veterans Breakfast Club, so the application will remain pending for the time being.

A new application had been received from Chit Chat Club. Members confirmed that as this is a Parish Council Group, it was not appropriate to consider a grant. It was proposed by Councillor Snell and seconded by Councillor Turley that the Parish Council no longer charges for room hire for Chit Chat Club from April 2020. This represents a saving of around £300. All were in favour and thus it was

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RESOLVED that from April 2020, Chit Chat Club will not be charged room hire for their weekly Wednesday sessions.

FA20/603 20/21 Budget Consideration

A draft budget had been circulated which was based on the needs identified in the Parish Strategy and included the projects previously discussed throughout the year.

The budget of £425,470 is an increase on last year, which was £384,230. However, savings and proposed income generation (amounting to approximately £156,390) can be deducted resulting in a proposed precept of £269,080.

Hollinswood & Randlay Parish Council will receive a small Council Tax Grant of £2000 and by using balances of £34,380, Members of the Committee agreed to propose a Precept for 2020/21 of £232,700, represented by an increase of 2% on last year. All were in favour and thus it is

RECOMMENDED that the Budget for 20/21 be set at £425,470, which can be achieved by savings, income and a precept of £232,700.

FA20/604 Other Matters

Business Rates

Members considered the discretionary rates that are available for public buildings and it was agreed that the Clerk should investigate any opportunity that may be available to reduce the rates payable on the SNAC building (Hollinswood Pavilion).

FA20/605	Date of the Next Me	eting	
24 th February 202	20	HNC	8pm
There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.55pm.			
Signed		Date	