

MINUTES OF THE FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

Meeting held on **Thursday 7 July 2016** at **7.45 pm** in the Parish Office

Present:

Councillors Harrison (Chair), Mrs Barnard, Fitzwilliams, Ms Healy and Jones

In attendance:

Jason Mawer, Parish Clerk

It was noted that Cllr Dr Barnard would be arriving later during the meeting.

F139. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Wilson.

F140. Declarations of interest and dispensations

Previously declared interests were recorded for Cllr Dr Barnard as borough councillor (Warfield Harvest Ride) and town councillor.

F141. Minutes of the meeting of 16 June 2016

The minutes of the previous meeting were circulated to members ahead of the meeting. It was proposed by Cllr Harrison, seconded by Cllr Fitzwilliams and RESOLVED to approve and adopt the minutes of the meeting of 16 June 2016.

F142. Matters arising from the last meeting

Neighbourhood Planning – this had now been included as a standard item on the agenda.

Safety at surgery – At the July surgery session the interim measures had worked

Cllr Dr Barnard joined the meeting

F143. Finance 2015/16

a. to consider the financial report to end of June 2016

The financial report had been circulated to members ahead of the meeting. Members noted the additional comments for information and the allocation of CIL and reserves. The financial report was noted.

b. to approve payment of accounts tabled at the meeting

The following accounts for payment were tabled at the meeting and approved for payment.

Cheque Payments

3889	ABA (Construction) Ltd	Play area inspections	£253.67
3890	Bracknell Forest Council	Whitegrove CC Insurance	£606.86
3891	Bracknell Pest Control	Pest control monitoring	£72.00
3892	Calibri Tree Surgeons	Brownlow tree maintenance	£540.00
3893	Claire Connell	audit fee	£232.50
3894	In2Sport	youth club - June 2016	£504.00
3895	Office Depot (UK) Ltd	stationery	£57.32
3896	Wokingham Borough Council	Wren printing	£206.40
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			£2,472.75

F144. Neighbourhood Planning

Cllr Ms Healy advised members that invoices were now due from rCOH, the consultants for the project. Cllr Dr Barnard indicated that changes to planning may occur as a result of the EU referendum. Members expressed concern about the potential date for the local referendum on the neighbourhood plan falling during the winter months. The Clerk advised members that the date was in the hands of Bracknell Forest Council, but he would speak to colleagues at Binfield to establish how this was triggered.

F145. Items for Information

The Clerk circulated to members an article for the recent 'The Clerk' magazine on devolution of services to town and parish councils.

Cllr Dr Barnard suggested there could be opportunities for the towns and parishes to work together. The committee asked the Clerk to investigate if councils could work together and in what areas this could be achieved.

F137. Date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting was agreed as Thursday 11 August 2016. Cllr Dr Barnard and Mrs Barnard offered their apologies for that meeting.

F138. Closure of the meeting

The meeting was closed at 8:35pm