



**Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance and General Purpose Committee  
held on  
20<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 7.00 p.m.**

**PRESENT:**

Councillor Jordan Keeble (Chairman)  
Councillor Eileen Callear  
Councillor John Snell  
Councillor David Bown  
Councillor Gemma Offland

Councillor S. Ali  
Councillor C. Hughes

**In Attendance**

**Clerk:** Jane Lees

**Deputy Clerk** Rebecca Cowie  
one member of the public

**F23/108                      APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr. A. Jhawar, Cllr. T. King  
**Cllr. S. Ali proposed, Cllr. D. Brown seconded, all in favour to note  
the apologies.**

**F23/109                      DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

Cllr G. Offland – Citizens Advice Bureau  
Cllr. E. Callear, Cllr. D. Brown - Planning

**F23/110                      MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

**Cllr. D. Brown proposed, Cllr. S. Ali seconded, all in favour to  
confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> of January  
2024.**

**F23/111                      CITIZENS ADVICE GRANT**

**Cllr. E. Callear proposed, Cllr. S. Ali seconded, all in favour to  
defer the item to later in the meeting.**



## **F23/112 FINANCIAL REPORT**

- (i) Cllr J. Snell and Cllr. S. Ali verified the approval list against invoices. Payments detailed and approved for payment by faster payment totalling £1,878.84, Direct Debits of £621.16 and Debit card payments of £154.50.  
Two cheque withdrawals (cheque numbers 024902 & 024903), each of £3500.00, authorised from Santander Current Account to be banked into Lloyds Current Account.
- (ii) Bank reconciliations not available at this time.
- (iii) Salary payments totalling £9,818.78 checked and authorised for payment by BACS by Cllr. E. Callear. Payments of £2090.76 to HMRC and £2341.00 to Shropshire County Pension Fund authorised for payment by BACS.

## **F23/113 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

### **Applications for consideration**

#### **TWC/2024/0102**

**Cllr. S. Ali proposed, Cllr. G. Offland seconded, all in favour to approve the application.**

**Applications received after publications of agenda.**

#### **TWC/2024/0019**

**Cllr. S. Ali proposed, Cllr. C. Hughes seconded, two abstain, to approve the application.**

#### **TWC/2024/0128**

**Cllr. G. Offland proposed, Cllr. D. Brown seconded, all in favour to approve the application.**

## **F23/114 CHAIRMANS COMMUNICATIONS**

The Chair welcomed Cllr. C. Hughes back, Cllr Hughes thanked the Council for the flowers and condolences sent on the loss of her husband.

The Chair noted the work done by the Councillors in the cemetery to try to clear the rubbish left, and informed the Committee there was still much work to be done. The Chair reminded the Committee that the Clerk and Deputy Clerk required help and understanding as they were still inundated with work.



- F23/115      ESTATE AGENTS QUOTES**  
The committee discussed the three quotes presented to appoint an Estate Agent as delegated from Full Council.  
**Cllr. E. Callear proposed, Cllr. C. Hughes seconded, all in favour to appoint quote A.**  
Cllr. E. Callear reminded Councillors of the need to keep matters confidential if discussed in private session, as it had become apparent that information was being discussed openly.  
**Cllr. S. Ali proposed, Cllr. D. Brown seconded, all in favour to hold an investigation into this breach and put out a press release as soon as possible.**
- F23/116      PRINTING FEES**  
Councillors discussed issuing a newsletter by downloadable PDF or delivery through doors. It was agreed that both is useful.  
**Cllr. S. Ali proposed Cllr C. Hughes seconded, all in favour to accept Quote A to print the Newsletter as delegated from Full Council.**
- F23/111      CITIZENS ADVICE GRANT – deferred.**  
Louise Cross from the Citizens Advice Bureau reported to the Committee on the work done in Hadley by C.A. B. Hadley receives an enhanced service of a weekly advice session dedicated to the Parish in return for the grant funding allocation. Residents are presenting with six issues on average per appointment, mainly concerning benefit and debts. The reduction of grants from local Parishes was discussed, with only three now offering funding. Cllr. E. Callear asked what the consequences would be to local residents if they didn't receive funding from the Parish? Louise replied that the residents would still get a service, but it would be considerably reduced.  
**Cllr. E. Callear proposed, Cllr. S. Ali seconded, all in favour to recommend the payment of the grant to Full Council, subject to viewing documentation forwarded by Louise Cross.**
- F23/116      ITEMS FOR INCLUSION IN NEXT AGENDA**
- F23/116      DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS**  
**Personnel Committee Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 6pm.**  
**Full Council Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 7 p.m.**  
**Events Committee Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March at 6pm.**  
**Finance Committee Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00pm**
- F23/117      EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**



**Cllr. C. Hughes proposed, Cllr. E. Callear seconded, all in favour to exclude press and public.**

**F23/118**

**PRE- APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING  
PE/2024/0066**

**Cllr. D. Brown proposed, Cllr. S. Ali seconded, all in favour to approve the pre application with the comments How will the applicants deal with the parking issues in the area, and can they increase the parking provision within the site itself.**

**Chair closed the meeting at 8.30pm.**

Signature of Chair.....