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Agenda

Finance & Establishment Committee

To Committee Members: Councillors Asker, Coote, de Vries, Eke, Fairhurst, Freeman, Gadd, Hawke-Smith and Millward

You are summoned to attend a MEETING of the FINANCE & ESTABLISHMENT COMMITTEE of SAFFRON WALDEN to be held in the Town Hall, Saffron Walden on TUESDAY 27th September 2022 commencing at **7.30pm** to transact the business as set out in the agenda below.

All other Councillors are welcome to attend this meeting but will not be formal members of the committee and will not receive any voting rights. Non-Committee members will not be able to participate in or remain present for any discussions held under Part 2, Confidential Matters

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Lisa Courtney, Town Clerk

22nd September 2022

1	Apologies for absence
	To receive apologies and consider requests for approved absence
2	To receive any Declarations of Interest
	Members and officers are invited to make any declarations of interests that they may have in relation to items on the agenda and are reminded to make any declarations at any stage during the meeting if it then becomes apparent that this may be required when a particular item or issue is considered.
3	Public Speaking Time
	For the public or Press to ask questions of the Committee on matters relating to the agenda. Members of the public will be able to participate in the online meeting by following the link / details as given on page 1 of this agenda.
4	Minutes of the last meeting of the Finance & Establishment Committee
	To verify the Minutes of the Committee meeting held on 18.07.2022

	Financial Matters
	The following are standard items for consideration for a Committee meeting, focussing on business matters
5	Expenditure – to be confirmed and authorised
	a) 5a.1 - 5a.5 Invoices paid in August to Septemberb) 5a.6 Invoices to be authorised
	c) 5b.1 To approve the payment of accounts (for DDs, STOs, debit card payments and cheques already issued) in July (5b.1) and August (5b.2)
6	Tourist Information Centre
	a) Profit and Loss Account for July (6a.1) and August 2022 (6.a.2).b) Budget review of TIC work.
7	Monthly Reports
	 7a.1) July Bank reconciliation statement with supporting statements. 7a.2) August Bank reconciliation statement with supporting statements. 7b.1) Cash Book – showing all income and expenditure for the previous ended month for July 7b.2) Cash Book – showing all income and expenditure for the previous ended month for
	August 7c) Income report, broken down by budget code – year to date including comparison of income year to date against the previous years.
8	Committee Hi-Light Reports
	To receive and note the reports from the RFO being a highlight report bringing to the attention of Committee any items for note or action. Documents 8a.1, 8a.2 and 8b refer.
9	Second tranche of the Precept Received
	Committee to note the second tranche of precept was received on 20 th September to a total of £616,814.50
10	Proposed Adoption of Menopause Policy
	Committee is recommended to adopt the proposed attached policy, Menopause: Guiding Principles for Employees and Managers.
11	Forward Plan
	To receive the forward plan as attached; this is provided for information purposes as an aide memoire of future business to consider.

	Grant Applications – Committee to consider the following requests
	Balance of Grants Budget as at 14.09.2022
	Resilience Fund £5,000.00
	Ukraine Resilience £876.00
	Youth Projects £12,052.00
	Hall Hire Grants £59.00
	Small Grants £3,047.00
12	Grant Analysis
	As Committee previously requested attached is the RFO's analysis report on previous grants awarded.
13	Grant Application - 1st Thaxted-Carver Scout Group - £378.00
	To consider the attached Grant request from 1st Thaxted-Carver Scout Group requesting the costs of ten climbing helmets.
14	Committee to receive verbal updates
	Committee to receive verbal updates on progression of projects and initiatives since the July Committee meeting
15	Urgent Information Items
	Any items to verbally report for information only
16	Date and time of Next Meeting
	Monday 17 th October 2022 at 7.30pm in the Town Hall, Saffron Walden