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Agenda Finance & Establishment Committee

To Committee Members: Councillors: Cllrs Ahmed (Mayor), Coote, de Vries (Committee Chair), Eke, Freeman (Leader), McBirnie, Meloy, Hawke-Smith, Parker and McLellan (Committee Deputy Chair).

You are summoned to attend a MEETING of the FINANCE & ESTABLISHMENT COMMITTEE of SAFFRON WALDEN to be held in the Town Hall, on **Monday 21**st **July 2025** commencing at **7.30pm** to transact the business as set out in the agenda below.

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Lisa Courtney, Town Clerk

16 July 2025

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	Apologies for absence
1	To receive apologies and consider requests for approved absence
	To receive any Declarations of Interest
2	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.
	Public Speaking Time
3	For the public or Press to ask questions of the Committee on matters relating to the agenda.
	Minutes of the last meeting of the Finance & Establishment Committee
4	To verify the Minutes of the Committee meeting held in 16.06.2025.
	Financial Matters The following are standard items for consideration for a Committee meeting, focussing on business matters
5	Expenditure – to be authorised (a) To approve the payment of the invoices received since 16.06.2025. BACS and Cheques for these invoices have not yet been authorised, awaiting approval by this meeting.

	(b) To approve payments or DDs, STOs, debit card payments and cheques already
	issued since 16.06.2025
6	Tourist Information Centre
	Profit and Loss Account for June 2025
7	Monthly Reports
	 (a) Bank reconciliation statement with supporting statements. (b) Cash Book – showing all income and expenditure for the month of June 2025 (c) Income report, broken down by budget code – year to date including comparison of income year to date for prior 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 8(a) and 8(d) refer.
9	Residential Rental Report
	To receive a report, providing an update on the current rentals at No 5 Market Place (3 x flats).
10	Mental Health and Neonatal Care Leave Policy
	At the April Full Council meeting it was noted that the above policies will be presented to a future F&E Committee meeting.
	a. Neonatal Care Leave Policy Attached is the proposed Neonatal Care Policy, prepared in liaison with SWTC's appointed HR advisor. This policy is recommended for adoption acknowledging the recent legislative changes surrounding neonatal care leave for parents (as summarised in the attached guidance note).
	b. Mental Health Policy
	This policy will be presented at a future F&E Committee meeting and is being prepared alongside the SWTC appointed HR advisor.
	Grants
11	Hope Community Association – Grant Monitoring Form £300
	To receive the attached grant monitoring from Hope Community Association concluding this grant request.
12	SWTC third party grant applications
	Committee is asked to note the attached update, detailing progress made on third party grant applications and grants identified for progression.

13	Urgent Information Items
	Any items to verbally report for information only
14	Date and time of Next Meeting
	15 September 2025 at 7.30pm in the Town Hall, Saffron Walden