

FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday 9 December 2020 (via zoom)

MINUTES

Present: R Simmonds, D Martindale, M Gleave (part), K Gregory (Clerk)

1. Apologies and approval of absences

None.

2. Approval of minutes

The minutes of the finance and general purposes committee meeting held on Monday 7 January 2019 were approved; proposed by R Simmonds, seconded D Martindale.

3. Budget review, year to date and forecast

The attached were reviewed and the overspend at the playing field due to the burglary noted.

4. Review of proposals

Budget and precept proposals (and detail behind the proposals) had been distributed prior to the meeting so that individual review could take place before the meeting and informed questions could be raised. Each line of the proposed budget was reviewed and the rationale behind the proposals. It was agreed that, due to the unprecedented situation and the small number of people available at the finance committee meeting, that the finance committee would put forward the budget 2021-22 and supporting documentation as a proposal to the Parish Council meeting in January for final review and agreement. The Clerk to furnish all councillors with the relevant information.

Proposed R Simmonds, seconded D Martindale.

5. Precept proposal

The proposal is that because of the unusual circumstances of this year and the healthy bank balance of Laxfield Parish Council, that the precept should remain at £42 430.

6. Village Hall account review

Community current account 80563978: £11 395.65 as at 30/11/20.

Business Saver account 00334286: £33 473.61 as at 30/11/20.

Reserve account 80549568: £48 531.10

TOTAL: £93 400.36

7. Snook Bequest Account Review

Account 10905666: £15412.23 as at 30/11/20 (estimate as no access to account currently).

8. Cemetery Payments

The summary of cemetery payments had been circulated and it was agreed that the proposal to the Parish Council would be that all payments should remain at current levels.

Meeting closed at 3 15 pm