

CONGLETON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE & POLICY COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY 16th February 2017

PRESENT - Councillors

N Adams
Mrs S Akers Smith
Mrs D S Allen
P Bates
R Boston
D Brown (Mayor – ex officio)
C Booth (Deputy Mayor - ex officio)
G R Edwards (Chairman)
Mrs S A Holland
Mrs A M Martin
Mrs A E Morrison
Mrs J D Parry (Vice Chairman)

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from committee members Cllrs J G Baggott and Mrs E Wardlaw.

Apologies were also received from non-committee member Cllr G S Williams.

2. Minutes

FAP/49/1617 RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 12th January 2017 be approved and signed by the chairman.

3. Declarations of Interest

Members are requested to declare both “pecuniary” and “non pecuniary” interests as early in the meeting as they become known.

Cllrs, P Bates, D Brown declared a non-pecuniary interest in any matters relating to Cheshire East Council. D Brown declared a non-pecuniary interest in St Peter’s Church as the Mayor’s church.

4. Outstanding Actions

There were no outstanding actions.

5. Grant Approvals and Commitments 2016-17

A summary of grant approvals and commitments was considered by the committee and it was noted that £6,190.89 was remaining for grants for 2016/17.

FAP/50/1617 RESOLVED that that the grant summary be received.

6. New Applications for Financial Assistance

FAP/51/1617 RESOLVED that the following grants be awarded:-

- i) **GR 26/1617 St Peter's Church**
A grant of £1,000 towards the ceiling repair and restoration.
- ii) **GR 27/1617 Congleton United Reformed Church & The Listening Out Loud Foundation**
A grant of £829 towards kitchen equipment.
- iii) **GR 28/1617 Congleton Community Projects**
A grant of £715 Food and Drink Festival road closures

7. Management Accounts to December 2016

FAP/52/1617 RESOLVED to receive the management accounts to December 2016.

8. Bank Reconciliation

FAP/53/1617 RESOLVED to receive the bank reconciliation to 31st January 2017.

9. List of Payments

FAP/54/1617 RESOLVED to receive the Payments List between 1st December 2016 and 31st January 2017.

10. West Mercia Energy Company Newsletter

FAP/55/1617 RESOLVED to receive the newsletter from the energy supplier and to check who Cheshire East Council uses for their utility services.

11. Letters of thanks

FAP/56/1617 RESOLVED to receive a letter of thanks from the Congleton Community Credit Union for the support received from the Town Council, including a grant which has been used to purchase a new accounting software package.

12. Business Risk Assessment

FAP/57/1617 RESOLVED to receive the Business Risk Assessment for 2017/18.
Action Support to develop this further offered by Cllr N Adams and DT Brown

13. Paddling Pool Refurbishment

FAP/58/1617 RESOLVED to approve the quote from the Wilmslow based company for the colour option of £7,642.50 subject to satisfactory written references, a reference visit and agreed guarantee period for the works.

14. CCTV

This report was withdrawn from the meeting, proposed to be received at the next meeting of the Council on the 2nd March 2017

**Cllr G R Edwards
(Chairman)**