



# Sedlescombe Parish Council

Minutes of the **FINANCE COMMITTEE** Meeting

held on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2022 at 19:00 in Committee Room 2 of Sedlescombe Village Hall

## Present:

Cllr. Pauline Glew (Chairman) (PG). Cllr Jonathan Vine-Hall (JVH). Cllr Beverley Coupar (BC).  
Mrs Jackie Scarff (Clerk/RFO)

Item	Item (F22.)	
40.	<b>To receive and accept apologies (LGA 1972 s85(3))</b> Apologies were accepted from Cllr Moore	
41.	<b>Interests in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 and the Council's Code of Conduct</b> <b>To receive councillors' declarations of interest regarding matters on the agenda and consider any written requests for dispensation as a result. Any changes to register of interests should be notified to the clerk.</b> PG recorded a pecuniary interest in item 46 as a member of Sedlescombe Friendship Club and requested a dispensation to allow a decision to be made. Resolved that PG be allowed a dispensation on the grounds that the meeting would not be quorate to make a decision.	
42.	<b>To consider the approval of the minutes of 21<sup>st</sup> June 2022.</b> <b>Resolved</b> the Chairman was authorised to sign the Minutes of the meeting held on 21 <sup>st</sup> June 2022 as a correct record of the proceedings.	
43.	<b>To suspend Standing orders and allow public participation on matters on the agenda at the chairman's discretion.</b> There were no members of the public present.	
44.	<b>If the committee wishes to exclude the public for a particular agenda item, the following resolution must be passed:</b> 'That under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.' <b>There were no requirements to pass this resolution.</b>	
45.	<b>To consider a request from BACT for a donation towards their running costs.</b> BC proposed a donation of £75.00 toward the cost of petrol, 2 <sup>nd</sup> by JVH. All agreed Resolved that the clerk inform BACT that the PC have awarded them £75.00 which must be spent on petrol.	
46.	<b>To consider a request from BACT for a donation towards their running costs.</b> BC proposed a donation of £75.00 toward the running costs, 2 <sup>nd</sup> by JVH. All agreed Resolved that the clerk inform Sedlescombe Friendship Group that the PC have awarded them £75.00 towards their running costs.	
47.	<b>To receive an update on the proposed Sportsfield carpark work and a proposal to delegate a budget to allow the work to be undertaken.</b> The clerk explained that she had obtained several quotes to undertake the work. Initially the proposal was to hire the equipment and for volunteers to undertake the work. However, the size of the job does not make this feasible. A quote for the work to include the driver of the equipment was received for £2200.00, this included the removal of one load of arisings. The clerk explained that there are dead trees that will need to be attended to and will get quotes to do this. All agreed that the £2200 for the clearance and a further £1500 to undertake the tree works be	

	delegated to the Sports Pavilion Committee.	
48.	<b>To consider a proposal to buy a new bin for EVT.</b> The existing bin is irreparably broken. Resolved that the clerk buy a 90l bin from bin-shop.co.uk	
49.	<b>Finance and Audit</b> <b>To receive the monthly statement of accounts to 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022</b> The monthly statement of accounts was noted and showed a total cash book balance of £ at 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2022. <b>To receive the bank reconciliation to 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022</b> The bank reconciliation was noted, and the face of bank statement showed a balance in the Unity Bank Account of £11,279.50 at 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2022. It was agreed to transfer £29,900 from the Lloyds account to ensure there were enough funds in the Unity Trust bank to carry out the councils business. A Lloyds cheque was signed by 2 signatories. <b>To consider for approval invoices received.</b> The payments were approved with the addition of One for Phillip Dann, and the donations agreed in the meeting to BACT and Sedlescombe Friendship Club. <b>Resolved</b> that the payments be made.	
50.	<b>To receive an update on the budget to date and agree any virements required.</b> The spend year to date was noted against the budget. No changes or virements were made.	
51.	<b>To review ear marked reserves and agree any changes required.</b> There were no changes required.	
52.	<b>To consider the proposed budget for the forthcoming year and agree any changes required. To agree a proposed precept to recommend to full council.</b> The budget was discussed and was agreed with the following changes Nominal 4140 Insurance be increased to £1800, £1500 be allocated to EMR MUGA at Riverside Playground, £1500 be allocated to EMR Playground £2000 be allocated to the Sports Pavilion for maintenance. The budget will be presented to the full council in December.  It was resolved that a precept of £59,800(an increase of 2%) be recommended to the full council in December.	
53.	<b>To consider a response to the following consultation.</b> <a href="https://www.rother.gov.uk/consultations/health-and-well-being-leisure-facilities-strategy/">https://www.rother.gov.uk/consultations/health-and-well-being-leisure-facilities-strategy/</a> Resolved that the Parish Council response be delegated to the clerk and all cllrs were encouraged to complete the consultation.	
58.	<b>Reports &amp; Questions</b> <b>To receive reports and questions from Members in brief, including items for next agenda.</b> There were no reports.	
	There being no further business the meeting was closed at 20:10pm	

Chairman .....

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