

Thurcroft Parish Council

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Minutes of the Finance & General Committee meeting held Thursday 23rd January 2025

Present Councillors: B. Clark (Chair), R. Butler, C. McCartan, D. Oxley, C. Walker (5 councillors present).

Apologies: M Wordsworth

Proper Officer: Sarah Wilkinson

There were no members of the public in attendance

The meeting started at 6.30pm

FG/2025/001 To receive and approve reasons for absence.

The Committee noted the apologies received from M. Wordsworth.

FG/2025/002 To receive declarations of personal and pecuniary interest for members and officers

No declarations were raised.

FG/2025/003 To receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests (if any)

No written requests for dispensation have been received.

FG/2025/004 To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate

There are no requests for dispensation to grant.

FG/2025/005 To receive and approve the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 21st November 2024

> Resolved:- That the Committee approved the minutes of Thursday 21st November 2024 as a true record of the meeting, the Chairman preceded to sign the bottom of each page to confirm they are an accurate record.

Voting: - 5 Councillors present. All councillors voted in favour. Ly in Favour labstention

FG/2025/006 To identify any agenda items which may be considered following the exclusion of the press and public, due to the confidential nature to be discussed. Under Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, S1 (2))

No items were identified for exclusion of the press and public.

FG/2025/007 Public Participation Session

No members of the public were in attendance.

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FG/2025/008 To discuss any training and development for councillors and employees and consider any further action

No new training and development needs were raised. The Clerk to chase the 1st aid course training due to be provided by M. Wordsworth.

FG/2025/009 CONFIDENTIAL SESSION - To receive any complaints received by the council and consider any further action

The Clerk advised that no complaints have received by the council since the last considered complaint.

FG/2025/010 To note the latest report for complaints and compliments for the council and discuss any concerns

No new complaints or compliments to report.

FG/2025/011 To receive and note the payment schedule to be considered by next full council on Thursday 30th January 2025

The Clerk presented the payments schedule. The payments have been checked by Cllr D. Oxley and Cllr C Walker and all payments are correct for payment release on January 28th 2025.

FG/2025/012 To receive and note the bank reconciliations for November and December 2024

The Clerk presented the Bank Reconciliations for October, November and December. The Clerk and Chair signed the reconciliations. The committee noted the update.

FG/2025/013 To receive and recommend to Full Council the budget and precept for the next financial year.

Resolved: The Clerk presented the budget and precept increase needed to match the budget requirements. An increase of 9% which is 8.3% after tax base was recommended, which is equivalent to £7.65 on a band D property. This gives a precept of £213,081, with an extra £23028 to be taken from reserves.

Voting: 5 councillors present. All Councillors voted in favour.

chairperson Initial



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FG/2025/014 To receive any grant applications received by the council and consider any further action

The Committee have received no grant applications to consider.

FG/2025/015 To approve appointing an IT expert to fix the Clerks laptop regarding issues with Sharepoint

Resolved: An appointment has been booked for MJRCC limited to visit the Clerk

Monday 27th January 2025 to discuss IT needs and fix the laptop. **Voting:** 5 councillors present. All councillors voted in favour.

FG/2025/016 CONFIDENTIAL ITEM - To receive an update on recruitment of an Admin Assistant

Resolved: The Clerk confirmed that 3 interviews had taken place Wednesday 22nd January. It was very close, but the job was offered and accepted by

The Clerk is to contact Susan next week to discuss notice and start dates.

<u>Voting:-</u> 5 councillors present. All councillors voted in favour.

FG/2025/017 To notify the clerk of matters for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting No matters were raised for inclusion on the agenda.

FG/2025/018 To confirm the date and time of the next Finance & General Committee will be held on Thursday 20th February 2025 at 6:30pm in the Council Chamber of the Gordon Bennett Memorial Hall

The Chair confirmed the date and time of the next meeting and brought the meeting to a close.

The meeting closed at 19:28pm.

Chairperson Initial:

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