

Thurcroft Parish Council

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Minutes of the Finance & General Committee meeting held Thursday 17th April 2025

Present Councillors: B. Clark (Chair), C. McCartan, D. Oxley, C. Walker, (4 councillors present).

Apologies: R. Butler

Absent: M. Wordsworth

Proper Officer: Sarah Wilkinson

There were no members of the public in attendance

The meeting started at 6.30pm

FG/2025/062 To receive and approve reasons for absence.

The Committee noted and approved the apologies received from R. Butler.

FG/2025/063 To receive declarations of personal and pecuniary interestⁱ for members and officers

No declarations were raised.

FG/2025/064 To receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests (if any)

No written requests for dispensation have been received.

FG/2025/065 To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate

There are no requests for dispensation to grant.

FG/2025/066 To receive and approve the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 20th March 2025

Resolved:- That the Committee approved the minutes of Thursday 20th March 2025 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:- 4 Councillors present, 3 voted in favour, 1 abstained.

FG/2025/067 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.

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FG/2025/068 Public Participation Session

No members of the public were in attendance.

FG/2025/069 To discuss any training and development for councillors and employees and consider any further action

Clerk confirmed that the clerk and the administrator have completed the new joiner legislation, and the clerk has completed the FILCA. Clerk has obtained quotes for 1st aid training; date has provisionally been decided as 10th July.

Resolved: Clerk to confirm date, and a list of delegates for the course

FG/2025/070 To receive and note the payment and receipts report for March 2025

The Clerk presented the payments and receipts report for March 2025 for all councillors to check. Report was noted.

FG/2025/071 To receive and note the bank reconciliations for March 2025

The Clerk presented the Bank Reconciliations for March 2025. The Clerk and Chair signed the reconciliations. The committee noted the update.

FG/2025/072 To receive any grant applications received by the council and consider any further action

No grant applications received. Clerk confirmed that the previous 3 grants from last month have been paid, and paperwork completed, signed and filed.

FG/2025/73 To receive an update on the internet provision at the Gordon Bennett Memorial Hall

Resolved: Clerk confirmed that the work has been complete, and we now have 2 separate internet log ons, one for the office and one for the public. The router was not needed, and the final cost was £75 for the work carried out.

FG/2025/074 To receive an update regarding our new payroll provision

Resolved: Clerk confirmed that Parkins Accountants have completed payroll for April 2025. The changeover has gone smoothly with no issues.

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FG/2025/075 To receive an update on the meeting from the 14th April 2025 with Lee Jaggar from the CCLA

Resolved: Clerk and B. Clark had a meeting with Lee Jaggar confirming that we are going to invest. Clerk has received the application form and will complete shortly. Clerk will test the account by transferring a small amount over and then transferring it back before transferring the full funds across. Account will work like the current account with 2 signatures needed to approve any transfers and the current account is the only receiving account for any monies transferred.

FG/2025/076 To receive an update on the 24-25 AGAR

Resolved: Clerk is currently completing the AGAR in preparation for the internal audit on Wednesday 7^{th} May.

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

FG/2025/078 To note the latest report for complaints and compliments for the council and discuss any concerns

One new compliment to report regarding the cemetery - Please pass on our thanks and appreciation to TPC and the staff maintaining Thurcroft cemetery: it's a credit to the village. This has been added to the compliments log.

FG/2025/079 To notify the clerk of matters for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting No matters were raised for inclusion on the agenda. Clerk to check the policy review schedule and include any that are due for renewal next meeting.

FG/2025/080 To confirm the date and time of the next Finance & General Committee will be held on Thursday 22^{nd} May 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 19:21pm.

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