

MANNINGTREE TOWN COUNCIL

APPROVED

Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held in the Community Room on Thursday, 16th November, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Present:

Cllr. R. Stocks (Chair)

Cllr. L. Lay-Flurrie

Cllr. M. Taylor

Cllr. J. Charlesworth

Cllr. M. McClarnon

Cllr. S. Richardson

Not Present:

Cllr. H. Jones

In attendance:

Mrs. L. Djuve-Wood (Clerk)

1). Apologies for Absence

There were none. Cllr. Stocks welcomed Cllr. Richardson to her first finance committee meeting.

2) Minutes of the previous meeting

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on the 18th May, 2017, having been circulated previously, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

3). Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

- **4).** Open Session. To give members of the public the opportunity to express views or ask questions There were no members of the public present.
- 5) Matters arising from the previous finance committee meeting There were none.
- 6). To review S137 payments for 2017/18 and 2018/19

RESOLVED that the amount budgeted for S137 donations stay the same for 2018/19. **RESOLVED** that S137 recipients are to be listed in a separate document and not in the actual budget spreadsheet.

Action: Clerk

7). To consider the income and expenditure draft budget for 2018/19

RESOLVED that the category for Floral Manningtree be removed from the budget and that any money spent on flowers be taken from the Capital Expenditure Contingency category. **Action: Clerk**

8). To consider capital expenditure for 2018/19

RESOLVED that the capital expenditure contingency be kept at £5,000.

9). To set the recommended precept request for 2018/19

The clerk advised that the LCTS grant will be reduced by 35% in 2018/19 with a further 39% reduction in 2019/20, which will also be the last year parish councils receive the grant. **RESOLVED** that the recommended precept be kept at the same level as last year at £17,295.

- 10). To consider the re-appointment of Miss V. Pretty as Internal Auditor for 2018/19 RESOLVED that Miss V. Pretty be reappointed as internal auditor for 2018/19.
- 11). To agree on number of finance committee meetings to be scheduled next year **RESOLVED** that two finance committee meetings be held in 2018/19 with any further meetings arranged as and when required.

There being no further business Cllr. Stocks closed the meeting at 7:25 p.m

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