



MANNINGTREE TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held on 2nd November 2023 held at the
Masonic Hall, South Street CO11 1BG

Present: Cllr. M. Taylor. (Chair) Cllr. R Stocks Cllr. A Helm-Baxter
Cllr. L. Dunnett Cllr J Charlesworth Cllr.J Lewis

In attendance: Ruth Frost (Clerk)

07.22.11 To receive and approve any Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr L Lay-Flurrie, these were accepted by the council

08.22.11 To receive any Declarations of Interest

None Declared

09.22.11 Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on the 2^{4th} November 2022 to be approved and signed

Resolved that the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on the 2^{4th} November 2022 were approved as a correct record and signed by the chair.

10.22.11 Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda and matters of mutual interest

No public present - so no issues raised.

11.22.11 Matters arising from the previous Finance Committee Meeting

No matters were raised, nothing to discuss

12.22.11 To review Year to Date actual expenditure versus budgeted expenditure for 2022/23

The clerk presented the Council with the current year to date accounts. As of 31st October 2023, the expenditure stands at £25,583.75, projected spend by the end of the year is at £31,333.00 primarily due to increased staff costs. The budgeted expenditure was for £28,219.00. Therefore, there is an increase over the budgeted amount of £3114.00 there was a grant of £500 for the Coronation Street Party that was received and was spent this financial year, however a donation was promised but has not been received as yet £500, so the budget for the Coronation Street Party has been overspent by £500. There was a new bin purchased at a cost of £340.89. The beach area has gone over the budget as the sand cost was a lot higher this year.

13.22.11 To consider the income and expenditure draft budget for 2023/2024

The clerk presented the Council with a draft budget for next year, which showed a predicted expenditure of £32,452.00

This is an increase on last year of £4233.00.

14.22.11 To consider capital expenditure and other projects for 2023/2024

Resolved – To set aside £1000 for emergency Plan, £1000 for Street Furniture and £500 for new Manningtree Town Signs.

15.22.11 To set the recommended precept request for 2023/2024

Resolved - All agreed to set the recommended precept request at £32.452.00.

16.22.11 To consider the appointment of an auditor for 2023/2024

Resolved – Clerk to find new internal auditor, and PKF are the external auditor that Manningtree must use.

17.22

.11 To agree a date and time for the next meeting

Resolved - 2nd May 2024

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