# **KIRKBURTON PARISH COUNCIL**

# **MANAGEMENT & FINANCE COMMITTEE**

## Minutes of the Meeting held on 31 March 2022 at Burton Village Hall

Present: Cllr R Barraclough in the Chair Cllrs B Armer, S Beresford, R Bray, P Brook, D Hardcastle and J Paxton.

Officer in Attendance: Mrs A Royle

## Min MF54 Apologies and Declarations of Interest

Apologies were received from Cllrs R Burton, J Cowan and P Taylor.

There were no declarations of interest.

## Min MF55 Public Participation

No members of the public wished to address the Committee.

## Min MF56 Admission of the Public

**Resolved:** To hold the meeting in the public session.

## Min MF57 Change to the Order of Business

**Resolved:** To move the following item up the agenda.

#### Min MF58 Office Extension

Members considered the information received and noted that the work was necessary due to the current office accommodation not complying with legislation.

**Recommendation:** To agree to the extension in order to make the office compliant with legislation, and to contribute up to  $\pounds 2,500$  to the cost of the alterations, subject to receiving a security of tenure for 10 years and there being no increase in the rent due to the additional floor space.

**Recommendation:** To grant the Clerk delegated authority to spend up to £1,000 to purchase any additional equipment needed.

#### Min MF59 2021-22 Accounts

Members noted the Budget Analysis Statement covering the period April 2021 to February 2022. The Clerk reported that two grant payments totalling £530 had been repaid to the Council.

**Recommendation:** To credit the General Grants budget with the £530, which has been repaid.

**Recommendation:** To vire £6,072 from the Village Improvement Funding budget line into the following budget lines:

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Audit Fees	31
Capital Funding	2,500
General Grants	790
Legal / Professional Fees	77
Maintenance	1,674
Office Equipment (Allocated Reserves)	1,000

**Recommendation:** To remove the allocated reserve of £18 for Christmas Trees.

### **Min MF60 Insurance**

Members reviewed the Council's current insurance cover and considered whether it was sufficient for the Council's needs and risks.

**Recommendation**: To maintain the existing cover without any changes.

### Min MF61 Audit

Members considered the appointment of Torevell Dent as the Council's Internal Auditor.

Recommendation: To appoint Torevell Dent as the Council's Internal Auditor.

Members considered the effectiveness of last year's internal audit and the Internal Auditor's remit, circulated with the meeting papers.

**Recommendation:** To adopt the schedule confirming the Effectiveness of Internal Audit 2020/21, and the Internal Auditor's remit for the year 2021/22, as circulated.

#### **Min MF62 Financial Regulations**

Members noted the Council's Financial Regulations and considered if any amendments were required.

Recommendation: To confirm the existing Financial Regulations without amendment.

#### **Min MF63 Banking Arrangements**

The Clerk reported on the current level of charges being levied by the HSBC and members discussed the situation.

**Recommendation:** To review the position in 6 months' time.

## Min MF64 Business Continuity Plan

Members noted that the situation was managed by the Line Manager.

**Recommendation:** That the Line Manager ensures that the necessary information is kept updated and available, should it be required.

#### Min MF65 General Grants

Members noted the concerns raised by the Grants & Community Projects Committee with regard to groups receiving value for money on the purchases made with Parish Council grants.

**Recommendation:** That groups be required to provide one quote for items costing up to  $\pounds1,000$  and two quotes for items costing in excessive of  $\pounds1,000$ .

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting.