



MEDSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING

25th January 2023

Present:

Cllrs. Deborah Jackson, Charles Clark, Ken Kercher & Mike (Jo) Smith.

Also present:

Mr Peter Baston (Clerk).

ACTION

23.01 OPEN SESSION

- i. Cllr Deborah Jackson raised the possibility of applying for the Community Climate Action Fund and the Clerk was asked to get an application form to express an interest for possible future funding for elements of the Pavilion conversion, such as grey water installation, heat pump and solar panels.
- ii. Cllr Clark asked about the possible Freedom of Information request to EHDC regarding the recent payment of £232k payment which EHDC has received for planning case ref 25256/049. A draft was discussed and it was agreed that it should be submitted to EHDC by the Clerk.

Clerk

Clerk

23.02 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

23.03 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

23.04 MINUTES

- i. The minutes of the meeting held on 23rd November 2022 were proposed by Cllr Charles Clark and were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
- ii. Matters arising:

Minute	F&GP Meeting Date	Action	Assigned to	Status	Comments
21.09	27 January 2021	GDPR Policy to be further reviewed in 2022 after Brexit legislation is clearer	F&GP	On Hold	Clerk to source another policy for a PC
22.52 (iii)	23 November 2022	Cllr Clark to source quotations for plants for the wildlife area	Cllr Clark	Outstanding	

23.05 EHDC STRATEGIC CIL BIDDING WINDOW

It was agreed that the extension to the water supply pipe in the Cemetery be submitted for possible CIL funding. Three estimates would be required and Cllr Mike (Jo) Smith would draft a specification to allow interested contractors to respond.

Cllr Mike (Jo) Smith

23.06 VILLAGE GREEN FLAG POLE

It was agreed that the following flags be obtained, being a Union flag, St George flag and Hampshire flags.

Clerk

23.07 CORONATION CELEBRATIONS

At the recent Full Council meeting, Cllr Bennell had been asked to enquire with the previously formed Platinum Jubilee Committee what funds remain which could assist in funding the Coronation where Medstead Parish Council had considered hiring a large TV screen to show the event which would allow families to watch and have a picnic on the Green. The Clerk was asked to contact Cllr Bennell for an update and see if a TV screen could be obtained. **Clerk**

Given the proposed cricket league match which is scheduled for that day, Cllr Kercher was asked to contact the Hampshire Cricket League to see if the fixture can be postponed. **Cllr Kercher**

23.08 PARISH OFFICE / PAVILION CONVERSION.

Two meeting are scheduled including one with the English Cricket Board and the Hampshire FA to discuss revamped changing room layout specifications. The Clerk was asked to invite the Medstead Sports Club representative to the meetings. **Clerk**

23.09 PARISH CLERK HOME WORKING ALLOWANCE

Following a request by the Clerk for an increase in his home working allowance to assist in defraying increased utility costs at his home, it was recommended to increase the allowance to £26 per month and would be taken to Full Council for approval. **Full Council**

23.10 ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY

It was agreed that the format would mirror the 2022 event and also the organiser of the Coronation event on the Green would be invited to update on the plans for the event.

23.11 MEDSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL 2022/23 EXPENDITURE REVIEW

The December 2022 position was reviewed by the Committee.

23.12 MEDSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL POLICY

The following policies were reviewed by Committee and would be taken to Full Council for approval. **Full Council**

- a. Communication & Social Media Policy
- b. Expenses Policy
- c. Health & Safety Policy
- d. Sickness Policy
- e. Death of Monarch / Senior Figure Policy

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.25pm.

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