

STOWUPLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Finance and Policy Meeting held on 20 January 2021 via VIDEOCONFERENCING

Present (by video): Cllrs Philip Deal, Laura Johnson (Chair), Ray Studd, Jerry Voden, Claire Pizzey (Clerk) and 3 members of the public.

1. **To receive and consider apologies for absence (in accordance with Schedule 12 of the Local Government Act 1972):** None received.
2. **To receive declarations of interest in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct for the items on the agenda:** None received.
3. **To consider any written requests for dispensations:** No requests for dispensations were received.
4. **To consider and approve the minutes of the previous Finance and Policy meeting of 26 November 2020 as a true record and agree that delegated authority is given to the Chair to sign outside of the meeting:** Cllr Studd proposed to accept the minutes of the meeting of 26 November 2020 as a true record of the meeting and decisions made and that delegated authority is given to the Chair to sign outside of the meeting. Seconded by Cllr Deal with all in favour.
5. **Matters of Report:**
 - **Allotment Policy:** The Clerk reported that herself and Cllr Voden had not actioned this.
6. **Public Forum: Nothing**
7. **To consider the draft budget for 2021-22:** Cllr Welham made recommendation that the draft budget for 2021-22 is accepted. Cllr Voden seconded and all were in favour.

RECEIPTS

	Budget
Allotment income	£ 1,984.40
Footpaths (Rights of way surface cutting)	£ 791.00
MSDC Grant	£ 870.00
Precept	£ 39,832.00
Street Cleaning	£ 3,174
Total income	£ 46,651.40

PAYMENTS

Allotments	£ 1,383.75
Audit costs	£ 512.50
Cemetery & Churchyard Maintenance	£ 1,025.00
Cemetery - Expenses	£ 922.50

Cemetery - Reserve	£	-
Clerk - salary	£	13,837.50
Clerk - expenses	£	768.75
Depreciation & replacement of Assets	£	512.50
Donations	£	300.00
Environment Reserve	£	1,800.00
Footpaths (Rights of way surface cutting)	£	973.75
Footpaths ditches and tree surgery	£	1,025.00
General Village Maintenance	£	1,025.00
Grant	£	3,000.00
Grass cutting	£	5,830.00
Hall hire	£	615.00
Insurance	£	2,182.09
Misc.	£	512.50
Play park	£	512.50
Street Cleaning - emptying & consumables	£	700.00
Street Cleaning - salary	£	3,210.30
Street Lighting - maintenance & power	£	3,075.00
Subscriptions	£	922.50
Training	£	205.00
Website - Hosting and Domain	£	500.00
Total Expenditure	£	45,351

- 8. To confirm the Precept to be set for the Parish of Stowupland for the year 2021-2022:** Cllr Welham made a recommendation that no increase is made to Band D for 2021-22 and it remains at £53.11 with a total precept figure of 39,832.00 for the year 2021-22. Cllr Voden seconded and all were in favour.
- 9. Any other business:** Nothing to report.
- 10. Date of next meeting:** Thursday 18th March 2021

The meeting was closed at 19.40 hours