

**PRESENT: Cllrs:** D Collins (Chair), M Chaudhry, A Doyle, K Briffett, A Kenyon, B Mead, A Monk, I Scott, A Tink,

**ALSO PRESENT:** Lesley Reuben (Town Clerk), Tasha Gould (Town Council Support Officer)

**APOLOGIES: Cllrs:** D Layade & R Taylor

**NOT IN ATTENDANCE: Cllrs:** E Seymour, J Tucker

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**1664. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Apologies were noted.

**1665. EVACUATION PROCEDURE:** The Chair highlighted the emergency exits for the council and the public.

**1666. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** There were none.

**1667. PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS BY JAKE MEE:**

The accountant stated that this had been a tough year for the council in terms of finances, he went on to state that there were a lot of mitigating factors that fed into the overspends and lack of target hitting for income. The Council had spent £50,000 out of reserves for the refurbishment of the pavilion and skittle alley, the pool had a lot of closures the second half of the year which caused refunds on swimming lessons and staff costs to increase. Councillors asked that the Leisure Centre Manager report back with how much pool closures had cost the council through the year. After a short discussion about a council tax increase next year, the Chair of Finance noted his thanks to Mr Mee for all his hard work over the last 5 years.

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**i) Statement of internal control:** Points 1-8 agreed upon, point 9 N/A.

**ii) Financial Statements:** The financial statements were adopted and **Agreed:** unanimously.

**iii) Annual Return:** The 2017/18 annual return was adopted and **Agreed:** unanimously.

**1668. SUBMISSIONS FROM PUBLIC:**

**i) Councillors –** A resident reiterated his comments from the last meeting regarding councillors getting out into the community and making themselves know to Filton residents. A few councillors responded to note that they did get out into the community and do deal with a lot of resident issues that are sent to them.

**ii) Filton Chest & Heart:** questioned why councillors had not been supporting the coffee mornings and events held by the chest and heart committee, after a short discussion the Chair asked that thanks were noted to all involved in the Filton Chest and Heart for their continued work raising funds to provide lifesaving equipment to local organisations and businesses.

**iii) Rubbish in Filton:** A resident raised concern again about the rubbish accumulating in the gardens of Filton properties, South Gloucestershire Councillors Ian Scott & Adam Monk asked the resident to email a list of the addresses and they would look into it.

**iv) Community Centre:** the question was raised regarding a decision that had been made on the public meeting, after a long discussion on the structure of the meeting and what to include on the agenda it was proposed, seconded and Agreed: unanimously to hold the public meeting on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> August from 7pm in the Badminton Hall, councillors asked that the community centre trustees are invited as well as MP Jack Loppresti and the Charity Commission.

**Action: Town Council Office**

**1669. TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 29<sup>th</sup> MAY 2018:** Were approved as an accurate record.

**1670. MATTERS OF REPORT ARISING FROM MINUTES NOT OTHERWISE INCLUDED IN THE AGENDA:** It was noted that M Chaudhry was present at this meeting.

**1671. FILTON BEAT TEAM:** The Beat Team provided crime statistics in Filton for the last two months, it was noted there had been an increase in moped thefts and distraction burglaries within South Gloucestershire, PSCO Georgia Bush gave crime prevention advice and offered to attend any addresses residents felt were vulnerable.

***Cllr Monk left the meeting at 9.00pm***

**1672. SOUTH GLOUCESTERSHIRE REPORTS:**

- i) Cllr R Hutchinson – Noted.
- ii) Cllr A Monk – Noted.
- iii) Cllr I Scott – Noted.

**1673. SUBMISSIONS FROM MEMBERS:** A Councillor asked if the office could look into obtaining a grant for wind power of solar power in Filton, it was **Agreed:** to put this as an agenda item for the next meeting.

***Action: Town Council Office***

**1674. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, WORKING GROUPS AND THE TOWN CLERK:**

- i) Draft Minutes of Finance Committee held 12<sup>th</sup> June 2018 – Noted.
- ii) Draft Minutes of Planning Committee held 19<sup>th</sup> June 2018 – Noted.

**1675. OTHER REPORTS/CONSULTATIONS:**

- i) Consultation Spreadsheet – Noted.
- ii) Filton Community Plan (Minutes from Health & Wellbeing Meeting) – The minutes from the health and wellbeing meeting were noted. It was suggested that all the leads report back to the next meeting on how they are getting on.

**1676. PAYMENTS FOR INFORMATION – Noted.**

**The Chair closed the meeting at 9:20pm**