

Minutes of the meeting of the **FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** held on Tuesday 10th September 2019 in the **Doug Daniels Pavilion, Elm Park, Filton**

Present: Cllrs: - B Mead (Vice Chair), K Briffett, D Collins, A Doyle, A Johnstone, A. Kenyon, T Mewies, A Monk, A Robinson, I Scott, J Tucker

ALSO PRESENT: L Reuben (Town Clerk) N Gould (Council Support Officer)

APOLOGIES: Cllrs: - M Chaudhry, C Wood

NON ATTENDANCE:-

F.023 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllrs apologies were noted.

F.024 DECLARATION OF INTEREST: Cllr Robinson declared a pecuniary interest in planning application P19/09165/F.

F.025 MINUTES: The minutes of the meeting held Tuesday 09th July 2019 were approved as an accurate record.

F.026 MATTERS OF REPORT ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT COVERED

ON AGENDA: Arising from minute *F.0018 Defibrillator Report* – An update was given on the defibrillator progress. Councillors confirmed they were happy with the boxes to be unlocked as long as the South West Ambulance Service would be replacing the defibs if they were to be damaged or stolen.

It was also unanimously agreed for the cost of defibrillators to come out of the general reserves over the next four years.

F.027 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

a) Planning Application P19/09165/F (9 Pine Grove) - A neighbouring resident to 9 Pine Grove attended the meeting to voice his objections to planning application P19/09165F. The main concerns raised were privacy issues and the additional stress this would put on the already struggling drainage systems. The comments were noted to be discussed under item 10 on the agenda.

b) Planning Application P19/10137/F (32 Gloucester Road North) – A neighbouring resident to 32 Gloucester Road North attended the meeting to voice his concerns to planning application P19/10137/F. The main concerns raised were Overdevelopment. Apparently "ancillary" development. Lack of amenity space Lack of car parking. Overlooking of proposed dormer window/s. The comments were noted to be discussed under item 10 on the agenda.

F.028 INCOME & EXPENDITURE REPORTS: The Clerk was asked to circulate the response from the accountant regarding depreciation. The response from the account was noted for the minutes "*It is the total (cumulative) Depreciation provided on all Vehicles and Equipment since we started preparing Band C accounts for you and therefore goes back over many years. The rate of annual depreciation is also stated on the FAR for each Asset and is also explained in the Statement of Accounting Policies in the full Financial Statements*".

Questions were asked on the income and expenditure reports it was agreed to report back to the next meeting with the answers;

- 909 Capital & Projects – What is the £39,726 expenditure?

- 1001-101 Rent Received – Why have we only received £27.00?

- 4008-102 – Training – Please provide breakdown of this budget.

F.029 BALANCE SHEET: The document was noted.

F.030 WEED KILLER REPORT: The report was looked at in detail by all in attendance, it was noted that South Gloucestershire Council have used a variety of products but always return to Clinic up Glychosate as it is the most effective product. After a short discussion it was proposed and seconded to

carry on using Clinic up Glychosate but the Clerk and Ground team to continue to look for alternative options, this was put to the vote and **Agreed:** 9 in favour 2 abstentions.

F.031 COMMUNITY PLAN UPDATE: A discussion took place regarding the community development worker, it was noted the 3 hours were currently not being filled for Filton. The Town Clerk was asked to go to Southern Brooks and ask what was happening about Filton's 3 hours, it was also requested that a reconciliation of accounts was asked for.

Action – Town Clerk

Diversity Training - The Town Clerk asked Councillors what time and days would be convenient for diversity training which is compulsory. It was agreed to set up two training days, 1 on a Saturday morning and 1 mid-week afternoon.

F.032 PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

i) P19/10137/F (32 Glos Road North) – After a short discussion and taking residents comments on board the council **Agreed:** to comment “Strongly object, over development, no additional parking provision and support neighbouring objections”.

ii) P19/09165/F (9 Pine Grove) – After a short discussion and taking residents comments on board the council **Agreed:** to comment “Strongly object, over development, not in keeping with current properties no additional parking provision, support neighbouring comments. Strongly suggest site visit.”

The Chair closed the meeting to the Public at 8.45pm