

FAIRLIGHT PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Finance and Administration Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 11th October 2022 at 2.55 pm

Present: Councillors – Ms I Horsley (Chair), Ms L Cooke, Ms C Sharpe and Mr G Smith, Mr S Stewart and Mr D Shortman

Also, Parish Clerk Mrs P Collins

22030 Apologies for absence (including resolutions to accept reason for absence by Councillors)

Clr D Greenup

Resolved to accept the reason for absence

22030 Code of Conduct and Disclosure of Interests

None

22031 Public questions in respect of items on the agenda

None

22032 Minutes of meeting held on 13th September 2022

The minutes having been distributed prior to the meeting and made available to the Public at the meeting.

Resolved to approved, and will be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

22033 Matters arising from the minutes not otherwise on the agenda

None

22034 To discuss and review the current year's budget

The budget was discussed and reviewed. Other items discussed were the playground slide which needs repairs/replacing and Faircomm. Quotes are pending from Pump House in respect of the building regulations and structural works.

22035 To discuss and consider the allocation of earmarked reserves for 2022/23

Current reserves remain the same.

22036 To discuss and consider the budget for 2022/23

Discussions were held in respect of 2022/23 provisions. Due to rising inflation, costs will increase in 2022/23. Concerns were raised in respect of the electricity costs for the pumps which is paid to RDC. An increase to the precept will be necessary for this.

Additional costs to be added to the budget are extra grass cutting from ESCC, a new rural grass cutting contract, new Community Hall costs and a possible replacement slide for the playground.

Clr Smith is currently reviewing the fixed assets and identifying repairs, maintenance and replacements required.

22037 To review policies and practices

Clr Horsley will be reviewing the new code of conduct

22038 Future agenda items

Budget 2022/23 and future years

Rent reviews

22039 Close of meeting

Meeting closed at 3.54 pm

22040 Date of next meeting

Next meeting to be held on Tuesday 8th November 2022 (subject to review)

Signed _____(Chair) Dated _____

Draft until agreed and signed at the next meeting