

FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

12th March 2019

PRESENT Councillors: Mrs.N.Thompson (Vice-Chairman)
A.Biggs
Mrs.T.Coombs
Mrs.L.Dedden
P J Mann
Mrs.P.Morrow
Ms. J.Russell
Mrs.S.Shaw

Apologies were given by Cllrs: S.Flower, Mrs.S.L.Grove, M. Parker & Miss K.Stephens
Also in attendance: Mrs.V.J.Bright, Town Clerk & Mrs.J.Gaskell, Assistant to the Town Clerk.

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265/18 Declaration of Interests and Requests for Dispensations.

None.

266/18 Clerk's Report.

a) **Dorset County Council** sent an email regarding the Bournemouth, Dorset and Poole Waste Plan which was submitted to the Planning Inspectorate on 29th March 2018 for examination and public hearings took place in June. The email was copied to all members and was noted.,

267/18 Monthly Budgets.

The monthly budget reports for February 2019 were circulated and no issues raised.

268/18 Joint Funding for an extra weed kill in the Parish

a) Minute 245/18 (a) refers. Information had been given that the County Council were only spraying once a year. It was felt that this was not sufficient for clearing the weeds from the kerbsides. Members are asked to consider joint funding with the County Council to have two sprays a year. Information was given, and costings supplied. Discussion took place after which it was proposed, seconded and RECOMMENDED that the Town Council joint fund a second weed kill spray in the Parish at a cost of £940 + VAT with the potential of £200 contribution from Dorset County Council which would bring the Town Council's cost down to £740 + VAT. A budget of up to £800 was agreed.

269/18 Internal Audit Review.

A report was forwarded to all members. It was proposed, seconded and RECOMMENDED that the report be accepted.

270/18 To Consider Grant Aid applications.

Applications for Grant Aid was be sent to all members. Discussion took place and it was proposed, seconded and

RECOMMENDED that the following Grant Aid be allocated:-

East Dorset Environment Partnership	£300
St. Michael and All Angels Church	£5,000
Three Legged Cross Village Hall	£3,120
Verwood Friendship Club	£500

271/18 Reports on Health & Safety aspects from the Amenities Committee members.

The inspections of the Cemetery and Recreation Grounds & Open Spaces had been carried. The Clerk would arrange for any necessary work to be carried out.

272/18 Other reports and items for future agendas.

- a) Information was given about the Verwood in Bloom competition for 2019.
- b) The District Councillor passed on information she had received about an application to extend Blue Haze. It was pointed out that Hampshire County Council had not consulted with East Dorset District Council. The Clerk was asked to make enquiries about a consultation with the Town Council.
- c) It was brought to the Committee's attention that there had been an increase in vehicles being broken into in Verwood and the Clerk was asked to contact the Police for an update on vehicle crime

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.55p.m.

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Chairman