BERE FERRERS PARISH COUNCIL

At a meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting held in the Council Chambers on Tuesday 24th October 2023.

Present:

Cllr. B. Lamb Vice-Chair of the Committee

Cllr. V. Grose Cllr. D. Pengelly

Cllr. R. Maycock

303. Apologies

Cllrs. Dennis, Leithall and Crozier send their apologies. The Committee accepted their apologies.

304. Declaration of Interest

There were no declaration of interests made.

305. Notification of items for information at the discretion of the Chair. No action can be taken on these items

Cllr. Pengelly has met with the Workman to discuss work required at the Bere Ferrers recreational field car park. Item to be added to next Open Spaces Committee meeting agenda.

Cllr. Grose to send photos of fallen trees on certain footpaths to the Clerk, who will pass onto Devon County Council.

306. Matters arising from the meeting held on the 19th September 2023

Cllr. Maycock proposed approving the minutes, seconded by Cllr. Pengelly.

Matters Arising

Minute 252 (168 (103) (28(619))) Motorcycle stands have been installed and are in use.

Minute 252 (168 (103 (28 (620 (548))) With regards to the Parish Hall registration with the Land Registry, the Clerk will pick

up with action with Cllr. Dennis.

Minute 252 (168 ((111)) Transferring the Southern Links training funds to Buckland Monachorum Parish

Council is still in process.

Cllr. Maycock proposed adoption of the minutes, seconded by Cllr. Pengelly.

307. To accept the October 2023 accounts for payment

Cllr. Maycock proposed payment of the accounts, seconded by Cllr. Grose.

308.To accept the F & G.P Detailed Receipt and Payment Report ending 30th September 2023

Cllr. Grose proposed acceptance of the report, seconded by Cllr. Pengelly.

309. To accept the reconciled bank statement ending 20th September 2023

Cllr. Maycock proposed acceptance of the reconciled bank statement for September 2023, seconded by Cllr. Pengelly.

310. Discussion on the CCLA funds

Cllr. Lamb gave the Committee a history of the Council's CCLA fund. It is independent from the Council and the Trustees are Cllrs. Lamb and Leithall. The funds accumulated will either be reinvested in the scheme or used to help rebuild the Pavilion. To be discussed at a later date.

The Task & Finish Group for the redevelopment of the Pavilion will have their meeting next week.

311. Review and approve the Council's Statement of Internal Control

Cllr. Maycock proposed approval the Council's Statement of Internal Control. Seconded by Cllr. Pengelly.

312. Review and approve the Council's Anti-Corruption Policy

Cllr. Grose proposed approval of the Anti-Corruption Policy. Seconded by Cllr. Maycock.

313. Review and approve the Council's Training & Development Policy for Staff and Councillors

Cllr. Maycock proposed approval of the policy, seconded by Cllr. Grose.

The Clerk to enquiry with the Southern Links Committees whether any more Councillors training has bee organised.

314. Donation request from the Torridge, North, Mid and West Devon Citizens Advice

Cllr. Maycock proposed a donation of £150, seconded by Cllr. Pengelly. All in favour.

315. Correspondence

The Clerk informed the Committee that she had expressed an interest to Plasterdown Parish Council in becoming their part time Locum Parish Clerk and will be meeting them to discuss the role further. The hours would be 10 hours a month.

316. Agenda items for the next meeting

- 1. Report on number of visitors to the Council Office.
- 2. F & G.P Budget for 2024-25.
- 3. Alternative website providers.

317. Questions from the public, at the discretion of the Chair

There was no members of the public present at the meeting.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked members for attending the meeting and declared the meeting closed at 8.04 pm.

Signed by the Chair

Dated 31st October 2023