



NEWDIGATE PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

held on Monday 4TH November 2024

at 7.45pm in the Village Hall

PRESENT: William Harmsworth, Phill Crutcher, Bill Kear, John McKenzie-Sage, Richard Tyson-Davies.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: 1 member of the public

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes from Finance meeting held on 1st July 2024 were approved and signed as a true record.

4. Cllrs reviewed and discussed the current expenditure and income figures for the period 1st April 2024 to date with the following points noted:

- Clerk and RTD to follow up spending of GACT funding and advise accordingly.
- Grants to Air Ambulance took figure over initial budget allowance, increase for next year.
- Rights of Way Maintenance to be removed from budget line.
- Additional costs for replacement pads/batteries for defibrillators took figure over initial budget.
- Investigate who is responsible for maintenance of defibrillator at Bob's shop.
- Include in next parish magazine article – defibs locations.
- Organise a First Aid event for mops in the New Year – BK to make initial enquiry with First Aid providers.
- Additional budget for maintenance of VAS sign to be included for 2025/26.
- Ensure the following items are included on the asset register and with Zurich Insurers: BT Telephone Box, Defibrillators, VAS speed sign.
- Consider grant towards MUGA in budget for 2025/26.
- Allotment holders to pay future annual rent by BACs.
- Water meter readings to be submitted to SES Business water.

5. Cllrs noted the date of Interim Audit with Andy Beams on 21st November 2024.

6. Cllrs noted the NALC Local Government Services Pay Agreement increase for parish council clerks which will be backdated to April 2024.

7. VAT reclaim for period 2023-2024 to HMRC noted by councillors present.

8. Next Finance meeting to be held on Monday 6th January 2025 at 7.45pm

MEETING ENDED AT 830PM

Chairman..... Dated.....