

Wetheral Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Finance and Grants Committee held on 3rd October 2017 at 9.30am held in the Clubhouse, Wetheral.

Chairman; Cllr Dodd

Present:

Cllr Hughes
Cllr Round (sub for Cllr Bainbridge)
Cllr Pattinson

F&G 11/17 Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Bainbridge & Poole.

F&G 12/17 Declaration of Interest

None were declared.

F&G 13/17 Request for Dispensation

No requests for dispensation were made

F&G 14/17 Minutes of the Finance & Grants Meeting of June 13th 2017.

Resolved to authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes of the meeting held on June 13th 2017 and that they were confirmed as a true and accurate record, with grammatical amendments.

F&G 15/17 Financial Review

(i) **Resolved** to receive the balance at the bank dated 26th September 2017.

Current Account	£14,274.14
Deposit Account	£120,099.45
Cumberland BS	£11,030.04
Total in the bank	£ 145,403.63

(ii) **Resolved** to receive the Financial summary and forecast to date for 2017-18.

F&G 16/17 Expenditure Items

- i) **Resolved** to purchase a printer as a replacement to the councils photocopier. Approximate cost £272.50 plus inks.
- ii) **Resolved** to purchase a reconditioned speed gun at a cost of £900 (plus hi vis jackets and signage) subject to;
 - a. Confirmation of Police support and that they would be willing to continue sending letters and calibrating the gun.
 - b. As the gun is a different model, Cllr Round would like to trial the gun prior to purchase.
- iii) **Resolved** to make the arrangements for a new parish website at the earliest opportunity, approximate cost of £1500 and considering that the current domain name will expire on 14th October 2017, to purchase an additional domain; wetheralparishcouncil.org. (current site has .uk)
- iv) **Resolved** to print the council's annual report and distribute them using students and other publications. (£500)
- v) **Resolved** to add back the £1000 to the 5-year plan for this year.

All Resolutions are subject to ratification by the Full Council

Clerk & RFO Sue Tarrant

- -F&GP

Chairman Chris Dodd

- vi) **Resolved** to purchase stone for the Cemetery to top the pathways, as a winter job. (Approximate cost £600)
- vii) **Resolved** to purchase green baize for dressing the graves when dug.

F&G 17/17 Five-year plan expenditure/ Projects

Resolved to update the 5-year plan;

- a. Inclusion of ditch clearance, annually.
- b. Receipt of £300 from Cumbria County Council toward a finger post renovation. (Wetheral Pasture sign now underway)
- c. £15,000 allocated to the Down-a-Gate Community Centre, amend to include £5000 each year.
- d. Speed Indicator Device – reduce the sum to £2000
- e. Printer – to be allocated from the contingency.
- f. Noted -Turnmire common, this is reliant on the s106 grant for the Skelton Court Development this may be removed from this year's income.
- g. To include a sum for aerating the pitches at Scotby & Wetheral, twice annually.
- h. To include a sum for timber play equipment maintenance – water proof coating every two years.

F&G 18/17 External Audit

- (i) **Resolved** to receive the Notice of Conclusion of Audit received from the External Auditor; issue arising was the method of accounting which has been resolved.

F&G 19/17 Grass Contract

- i) **Resolved** to accept the amended grass cutting schedule, discussed at the last full Council meeting. The additions to the previous contract are hedge cutting and bailing of the woodland cemetery, this may have financial implications.
- ii) **Resolved** to place a Public Notice in the Cumberland Newspaper for the invitation to tender, cost £112.70.

F&G 20/17 Precept

- (i) Budget planning; **Resolved** to defer until the November meeting.
- (ii) Noted requests for expenditure will be made from the other committees. Meetings will be held in October 2017.

Next meeting November 2017, date to be arranged at the meeting.