

GREAT HORKESLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD TUESDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 2024 AT GREAT HORKESLEY NEW VILLAGE HALL AT 10.30AM

Those present: Cllr C Arnold Cllr M Mead Cllr P Tempest

F24/10 Chairman's Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

F24/11 Apologies and Reasons for Absence

Apologies were received and noted from Cllr Baker.

F24/12 Declaration of Interests

No member declared an interest with respect to any item on this agenda.

F24/13 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held 9th July 2024 were approved and signed as a true and accurate record.

F24/14 Half Yearly Accounts

The accounts as at 30th September 2024 for Second Quarter of the 2024/25 financial year were reviewed in detail and approved. Cllr Arnold suggested that the Council's reserves be looked at in more detail after the Q3 accounts have been prepared.

F24/15 GHPC Grants

The following grant applications were considered and discussed at length by members (in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972, Section 137). The Section 137 spending limit for 2024/25 is £10.81 per elector.

It was unanimously agreed to meet the grant request for £1,000 from 1st Great Horkesley Scout Group in full.

It was unanimously agreed to meet the grant request from Great Horkesley Community Events. The Council will pay £500 to the group to cover the cost of a new tent and the donation towards inflatable costs mentioned in the application, however the Council will purchase the parking items and maintain ownership of them so they can be used for other community events held in the village.

It was unanimously agreed to meet the grant request for £1,150 from The Bishop William Ward School Association.

It was unanimously agreed to meet the grant request for £1,000 from Great Horkesley Parochial Church Council.

It was unanimously agreed to meet the grant request from the editor of the Village News for the Council to pay for the Adobe licence needed to produce it. The Council will not pay out grants for items already bought, so would be unable to meet the request for money towards the IT equipment that has already been purchased. However, the Council will invite the editor to put in an additional grant request before January for financial support in financial year 2025-26, if required.

F24/16 Recommendations to Full Council

There were no other matters for recommendation to Full Council.

F24/17 Next Meetings of the Finance Committee

The next meeting of the Finance Committee will be Tuesday 14th January 2025 at 10.30am.