

FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

27 April 2023

PRESENT:

Labour Group

Councillor Pearson (Chair), Councillor Rhind (Vice-Chair) and Councillors M Mulgrew, Richards, Taylor and Tilley.

Conservative Group

Councillors Dawson, Fitzpatrick, Ford, Lemmon, Smith and Watson.

Non-Grouped

Councillor Churchill.

In Attendance

Councillor Wheelton

FM/154 **APOLOGIES**

The Committee was informed that apologies had been received from Councillor Southerd (Labour Group) and Councillor Churchill (Non-Grouped).

FM/155 **TO RECEIVE THE OPEN MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS:**

The Open Minutes of the Audit Sub-Committee meetings held on 25 August, 06 October 2022, 24 November 2022, 12 January 2023 and 09 February 2023 and the Audit Sub-Committee Meeting held on 08 March 2023 were noted, approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.

FM/156 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Committee was informed that declarations of personal interest had been received from Councillor Taylor and Councillor Smith regarding item FM/142 by virtue of being Parish Councillors.

FM/157 **QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 10**

The Committee was informed that no questions from members of the public had been received.

FM/158 **QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11**

The Committee was informed that no questions from members of the council had been received.

FM/159 **REPORTS OF OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY**

The Committee was informed that no reports from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee had been received.

FM/160 **COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME**

The Head of Finance presented the report to the Committee.

RESOLVED:

The Committee considered and approved the updated work programme.

FM/161 **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT [ACCESS TO INFORMATION] ACT 1985)**

RESOLVED:

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

TO RECEIVE THE EXEMPT MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS:

The minutes of the 25 August 2022, 06 October 2022, 24 November 2022, 12 January 2023 and 09 February 2023 were received.

QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11

The Committee was informed that no questions had been received.

AUDIT OF THE HOUSING BENEFITS SUBSIDY CLAIM

RESOLVED:

The Committee approved the recommendations in the report.

CUSTOMER SERVICES – JEQ GRADING OF BENEFITS TEAM POSTS

RESOLVED:

The Committee approved the recommendations in the report.

BETTER CARE FUND UPDATE

RESOLVED:

The Committee approved the recommendations in the report.

CONSULTATION ON PLANNING FEE INCREASE AND STAFFING CHANGES

RESOLVED:

The Committee approved the recommendations in the report.

GREEN WASTE PROCESSING CONTRACT

RESOLVED:

The Committee approved the recommendations in the report.

The meeting terminated at 18:25 hours

COUNCILLOR R PEARSON

CHAIR