

FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

9th February 2016

PRESENT Councillors: Mrs.N.Thompson (Chairman)
P.Barnett
S.Bhose
Mrs.L.Clark
Mrs.L.Dedden
Mrs.S.Grove
P.Mann
Mrs.P.Morrow
Ms. J.Russell
Mrs.S.Shaw

Apologies were given by Cllrs: Mrs.T.Coombs & S.Flower

Also in attendance: Mrs.V.J.Bright, Town Clerk & Mrs J. Gaskell, Asst. to the Town Clerk.

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260/15 Declaration of Interests and Requests for Dispensations.

None.

261/15 Clerk's Report.

- a) **Minute 232/15 (a) Taunus Way.** The Clerk reported that she had contacted Dorset County Council and was awaiting a response. The parking problem had got worse and further information had been sent to the County Council.
- b) **Minute 235/15. Defibrillator.** The Clerk contacted the Community Heartbeat Trust and they provide a locked cabinet for the defibrillator. The Council is also aware that residents have requested one at Potterne Park, which is run by the Hub. The District Councillors have all offered monies towards the cost of the defibrillators which are about £2,000 each. The Clerk was instructed to proceed with the defibrillator for the front of the Town Council Offices and to keep the Council informed on the progress of the Potterne Park request.
- c) **Commonwealth Day 14th March 2016.** Information has now been sent regarding the protocol for the raising of the flag. The Mayor will read a letter from the Commonwealth Secretary and then read the Commonwealth Affirmation. At 10am she will raise the flag on Ferrett Green. The schools will be asked if they wish to send representatives to the event.
- d) **Report of the Internal Auditor** to Verwood Town Council. The interim internal audit was copied to all members. This was noted.

262/15 Monthly Budgets.

The monthly budget reports for January 2016 were copied to all members and no issues were raised.

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263/15 Risk Management Statement.

A copy of the Risk Management Statement was copied to all Members. After discussion it was agreed that an item under Play Areas would be added for play equipment being installed. It was proposed, seconded and RECOMMENDED that the Risk Management Statement be accepted after the addition to the Play Areas section.

264/15 Verwood Cemetery.

Three quotations had been received for the making up of the Cemetery driveway.

Dorset County Council	£ 9,838.08
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Markline Construction	£14,903.00
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Wessex Macadams	£ 8,156.36
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After discussion it was proposed, seconded and RECOMMENDED that Dorset County Council's quotation be accepted.

265/15 Speed Indicator Devices (SID's).

Information was received regarding the new ranking system which was copied to all members. Discussion took place, which included the purchasing of SID's. The Clerk would be meeting the East Dorset Clerks in March and would ask those that had SID's what their experiences were. A report would be brought back to the May meeting of the F&GP committee.

266/15 Reports on Health & Safety aspects from the Amenities Committee members.

The inspections of the Recreation Grounds & Open Spaces and the Cemetery had been carried out. The Clerk will arrange for any necessary work to be carried out.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.52p.m.

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Chairman