



Beaminster Town Council

FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

A **VIRTUAL** meeting of the Beaminster Town Council Finance & General Purposes Committee will take place via Zoom on Tuesday 14th July 2020 at 7.00pm.

Members of the public wishing to sign in please contact the Town Clerk for details.

Town Clerk
7th July 2020

A G E N D A

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
2. **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**
3. **ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN**
4. **MINUTES OF THE FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 17TH MARCH 2020 (*attached*)**
5. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
6. **UPDATE ON ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**
 - (a) **Min No.455 (b) – Beaminster Pre-school Ltd**

To **NOTE** Beaminster Pre-school will take delivery of a shed and storage unit week commencing 6th July, purchased on their behalf by the Town Council from Beaminster Museum at a cost of £375. Awaiting details of the paint required for the fence, to be purchased by the Town Council via Larcombes. These payments to be made in line with the grant awarded on 17th March 2020.
 - (b) **Min No. 455 (c) – Dorset Blind Association**

To **NOTE** grant paid on 30th June in the sum of £150 in line with grant awarded on 17th March 2020.
 - (c) **Min No. 458 (b) - Budget end of year adjustments**

To **NOTE** budget for Welcome to Beaminster signs not transferred to 2021/22 as per minute pending purchase this financial year. To **NOTE** order placed for the new signs at an amended cost of £3,192.58.
 - (d) **Min No. 459 (b) – Bunting**

To **NOTE** order placed for 200m of multi coloured bunting at a cost of £288.60 with an additional £500 to erect/take down. In addition to bunting an order has been placed for 20 'Discover Beaminster' teardrop flags, to be erected in existing brackets on properties in Hogshill Street, the Square and Prout Bridge at a cost in the region of £940

7. INTERNAL AUDIT

To **CONSIDER** comments/responses contained within Internal Audit Report and **APPROVE** *(attached)*

8. GRANT APPLICATIONS

To **CONSIDER** the following grant application:

(a) Citizens Advice Bridport & District

To **APPROVE** release of the 2020/21 grant in the sum of £2,000 towards the operation of the Beaminster Outreach service.

9. BUDGET COMPARISON *(attached)*

(a) To **NOTE** the actual against budget (Column A) position at 30th June 2020 *(attached)*

10. BEAMINSTER RESTART CAMPAIGN

(a) Floral displays in the Square

To **NOTE** additional hanging baskets to be erected in the Square at a cost in the region of £305.00

(b) Application for Section 106 funds

To **APPROVE** an application to Dorset Council for Section 106 funding for an Advertising Campaign.

11. SNOOKER TABLE – FLEET CLUB

To **NOTE** the poor condition of the Town Council's snooker table sited in the Fleet Club and **CONSIDER** possible disposal and suggestion for a replacement Pool Table.

12. DOG WARDEN

The Council considered the employment of a part time dog warden in February 2020 and budget provision in the sum of £10,000 has been included in the 2020/21 budget for that purpose. Following the February meeting opinions were sought on social media as to whether it would be an appropriate use of funds – the responses were very limited 4 in favour, 3 against. The number of complaints regarding the playing field have increased and there have been instances of dogs off the lead in the cemetery. To **CONSIDER** next course of action.

13. BANKING ARRANGEMENTS

To **NOTE** new bank charges from 1st September 2020 and **CONSIDER** an alternative tariff *(attached)*

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting confirmed as Tuesday 17th November 2020.