## Minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee held 18:00hrs Tuesday, 31 August 2021, held in the Diamond Hall of the Curlew Centre, Sutton Bridge.

**Present:** Cllr Brewis, Cllr Bruch, Cllr Davies, Cllr Scarlett (chair), Cllr York, Mr R Smith (clerk), Mrs K Croxford (admin. assistant),

Absent: Cllr S Booth, Cllr Goodwin

- 21.089 No apologies were received.
- 21.090 As a member of the Curlew Centre committee, Cllr Bruch declared an interest on the payment to the Curlew Centre (min ref 21.093).
- 21.091 It was **resolved** to approve the minutes of the meeting held 27 July 2021 as an accurate record.
- 21.092 It was **resolved** to accept and sign off the July bank reconciliation and cash book.
- 21.093 It was **resolved** to approve all payments to 31 August 2021 set out in the table below. It was noted that Mrs K Croxford expenses included a refund of payment of £332.50 for a donated bench in the Garden of Rest. Cllr Scarlett and Cllr York agreed to undertake payments (BP).

| Payee                | Detail                               | Net £    | VAT £  | Total £  |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------|----------|--------|----------|
| Talk Talk            | Calls & Broadband                    | 33.83    | 6.77   | 40.60    |
| Mr D Borkertas       | Home Electric Allowance              | 8.00     |        | 8.00     |
| Staff                | Payroll                              | 2,345.40 |        | 2,345.40 |
| Mr R Smith           | Expenses                             | 49.50    | 3.36   | 52.86    |
| LCC Pension Fund     | WYPF Pension Scheme                  | 801.81   |        | 801.81   |
| Mrs K Croxford       | Expenses                             | 344.32   | 54.61  | 398.93   |
| The Curlew Centre    | Room Hire 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2021 | 22.00    |        | 22.00    |
| CCAP Ltd             | Pest Control                         | 55.00    |        | 55.00    |
| Heronwood Landscapes | Parish Grass Cutting                 | 295.00   |        | 295.00   |
| Heronwood Landscapes | Garden of Rest                       | 130.00   |        | 130.00   |
| Heronwood Landscapes | Highways Cutting                     | 160.00   |        | 160.00   |
| Heronwood Landscapes | Picnic Area Cutting                  | 15.00    |        | 15.00    |
| PKJ Littlejohn       | Auditors Fee                         | 400.00   | 80.00  | 480.00   |
| XBM                  | Photocopier                          | 1.87     | 0.37   | 2.24     |
| Savills              | Land Rent                            | 835.00   |        | 835.00   |
| Total                |                                      | 5496.73  | 145.11 | 5641.84  |

- 21.094 The following delegated expenditure included in the above payments was reported by the clerk:
  - i. Pest control in the Memorial Park £55.00
- 21.095 The following receipts were noted: VAT reclaim £416.26; Garden of Rest bench donation £362.50; burial interment £200.00; ashes interment £150.00; burial rights £75.00; Parish Online mapping refund £230.14
- 21.096 There were no grant applications.
- 21.097 It was **resolved** on moving into closed session on the grounds of confidentiality, in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s.1 (2).
- 21.098 To consider a new electrical supply agreement for the pavilion commencing 19<sup>th</sup> September 2021 within the agreed annual budget and under delegated authority from the Parish Council. [confidential, as matters relate to commercial negotiations]
  - i. It was **resolved** to delegate to the clerk authority to agree up to a 36-month electricity supply agreement at the best available price.
- 21.099 To approve works for the annual control of water monitoring in the pavilion within the agreed annual budget and under delegated authority from the Parish Council. [confidential, as matters relate to commercial negotiations]
  - i. It was **resolved** to proceed with annual control of water monitoring in the pavilion @ £1427.00

- 21.100 To consider quotes relating to the Parish Council activities within the agreed annual budget allocations under delegated authority from the Parish Council. [confidential, as matters relate to commercial negotiations].
  - i. It was **resolved** to proceed with the works for the demolition and removal of the West Bank bus stop @ £1200 +VAT. Cllr York would remove the notice board at no cost to the Council
  - ii. It was **resolved** to purchase ID cards for staff and councillors at a cost of up to £10.00 each and to purchase lanyards if necessary.
  - iii. It was **resolved** to proceed with work for low priority tree work and cutting branches along the Arnie Broughton walk @ £895.00
  - iv. It was **resolved** to proceed with work to repair the children's play area fence @ £685.00. Cllr Davies abstained from voting
  - v. It was **resolved** to proceed with repair work to the football target wall @ £585.00
  - vi. It was **resolved** to proceed with work to cut the hedge in the Memorial Park adjacent to the Churchyard @ £305.00

## 19:00 Mrs Croxford left the meeting to deal with a member of the public at the door 19:03 Mrs Croxford returned to the meeting

- vii. It was **resolved** to proceed with pest control in the Community Garden on behalf of Sutton Bridge in Bloom @ £55.00
- viii. It was **resolved** to proceed with work in the Garden of Rest @ £240.00
- ix. Quotes had not been received to mark out individual garden allotments at Wrights Lane and the matter was deferred to the next meeting
- x. It was **resolved** to approve councillor attendance at LALC AGM @ £27.50 + VAT per person with associated expenses
- xi. It was **resolved** to purchase up to 6 additional Christmas lights with donations from Sutton Bridge Fundraisers, all running costs for the additional lights to be paid for by the Parish Council from the allocated Christmas Light budget.
- 21.101 It was **resolved** to hold the next meeting of the Finance Committee at 18:00hrs 28 September 2021.

| There being no other business, the meeting closed at 19:25hrs. |      |
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| Signed   | Date |
| Finance Committee Chair  |      |