MINUTES OF THE WELLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL FINANCE MEETING HELD AT UNITED REFORMED CHURCH HALL, FORE STREET, WELLINGTON TA21 8AG ON TUESDAY 19 JULY 2022 AT 3.30 PM

PRESENT: Councillor M Lithgow (Mayor),

Councillors M Barr, Z Barr, S Booker, A Govier, J Lloyd, M McGuffie,

and J Thorne

IN ATTENDANCE: David Farrow (Town Clerk), Annette Kirk (Deputy Clerk), Alice Kendall

(Deputy RFO)

2 members of the public

134 APOLOGIES

No apologies had been received.

135 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors J Lloyd and A Govier have standing personal interest declarations relating to MTMIT, the Council's IT consultant, being former customers of the company.

Councillor Thorne has a standing personal interest declaration relating to MTMIT, the Council's IT consultant, being a personal friend of the company owner.

In addition, Councillor Lloyd declared a personal interest in item 5ai (grant application from Wellington Rugby Club) as her husband hires facilities there for use by a club that he is a member of.

136 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

2 members of the public were present, both being representatives of the groups who had submitted grant applications and were available to answer questions if required.

137 MINUTES

RESOLVED to approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held 6 June 2022.

138 GRANTS

(a) Applications

i. Rugby Club – Wellington RFC submitted an application for £2,000 to contribute towards the hire of a professional company for their annual fireworks display. The application form and supporting documentation was forward to Councillors by e-mail in advance of the meeting.

RESOLVED to suspend standing orders to allow the applicant to answer questions.

RESOLVED to reinstate standing orders.

After some discussion, it was **RESOLVED** to award £2,000 to Wellington Rugby Club for their event.

ii. **Basins Volunteer Group** – following a grant award of £1,808.40 in the previous financial year, the group re-assed their project which has resulted in an increase in cost of £493. Councillors were asked to consider 'topping up' the original grant. Correspondence and an updated report were circulated by email.

RESOLVED to award an addition £493 to the Wellington Basins Volunteer Group.

(b) Summary of Grants 22/23

The schedule of grants paid to date was noted.

139 ACCOUNTING STATEMENTS

- (a) TO NOTE AND APPROVE THE BANK RECONCILIATION AS AT 12 JULY 2022

 RESOLVED to note and approve the bank reconciliation.
- (b) TO NOTE AND APPROVE EXPENDITURE FOR 26 MAY 12 JULY 2022

 RESOLVED to note and approve the expenditure as presented.
- (c) TO NOTE AND APPROVE INCOME RECEIVED FOR 26 MAY 12 JULY 2022

 RESOLVED to note and approve the income received as presented.
- (d) TO NOTE AND APPROVE THE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE AGAINST THE BUDGET FOR THE 2022-23 YEAR AS AT 12 JULY 2022

RESOLVED to note and approve the budget report.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 3.55 pm.	
Councillor Mark Lithgow Mayor	