

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

PRESENT: Councillor N Powell-Brace (Deputy Mayor),
Councillors M Barr, A Govier, J Lloyd, M McGuffie, and J Thorne
IN ATTENDANCE: David Farrow (Town Clerk), Alice Kendall (Deputy RFO)
2 members of the public

187 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors Z Barr and M Lithgow.

188 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 Govier declared a personal interest in the grant application as his wife will be volunteering for the organisation.

189 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

2 members of the public were present, being representatives of the groups who had submitted grant applications and would speak when the application was discussed.

190 MINUTES

RESOLVED to approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held 19 July 2022.

191 GRANTS

(a) Applications

- i. **Best Before Food Store** – An application has been received for a £2,935 contribution to the set-up of the new initiative. Documents were circulated to Councillors in advance of the meeting.

RESOLVED to suspend standing orders.

The representatives gave further information and answered a number of Councillor's questions.

RESOLVED to reinstate standing orders.

RESOLVED to award a £2,935 grant to the Best Before Food Store.

A general discussion on the cost-of-living issue was had and it was agreed that the Council need to think about how they address this in a more general sense.

(b) Summary of Grants 22/23

The schedule of grants paid to date was circulated and noted.

192 ACCOUNTING STATEMENTS

- (a) TO NOTE AND APPROVE THE BANK RECONCILIATION AS AT 2 AUGUST 2022**

RESOLVED to note and approve the bank reconciliation.

- (b) TO NOTE AND APPROVE EXPENDITURE FOR 13 JULY – 2 AUGUST 2022**

RESOLVED to note and approve the expenditure as presented.

- (c) TO NOTE AND APPROVE INCOME RECEIVED FOR 13 JULY – 2 AUGUST 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 2 AUGUST 2022**

RESOLVED to note and approve the budget report.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 3.59 pm.

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Councillor Mark Lithgow
Mayor