MINUTES OF THE WELLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL POLICY & FINANCE COMMITTEE MONDAY 11 AUGUST 2025 AT 6.00 PM

Present: Councillor M Lithgow (Chair)

Councillors C Booth, J Lloyd, C Penk, S Pringle-Kosikowsky and

J Thorne

In attendance: Alice Kendall – Democratic Services & Finance Manager

Wasif Choudhury – Democratic Services & Finance Officer

Councillor S Mercer One member of the press

166 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors J Cole, A Govier and K Wheatley.

167 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors A Govier and J Lloyd have a standing personal interest declaration 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 friend of the company owner.

168 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public in attendance.

169 MINUTES

RESOLVED to approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 14 July 2025.

170 ACCOUNTING STATEMENTS

(a) TO NOTE AND APPROVE THE BANK RECONCILIATION AS AT 5 AUGUST (attached)

RESOLVED to approve the bank reconciliation.

(b) TO NOTE AND APPROVE EXPENDITURE FOR 8 JULY – 5 AUGUST (attached)

RESOLVED to approve the expenditure.

Given Councillor M Barr's involvement with the Incredible Window Cleaning Company (used for the Office building), the Democratic Services and Finance Manger was asked to check that quotes had been received from other companies before appointing.

(c) TO NOTE AND APPROVE INCOME RECEIVED 8 JULY – 5 AUGUST (attached)

RESOLVED to approve income.

(d) TO NOTE AND APPROVE THE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE AGAINST THE BUDGET FOR THE 2025-26 YEAR AS AT 5 AUGUST (attached)

RESOLVED to note and approve the budget report.

171 TOWN BUS WORKING GROUP

Councillor S Mercer provided an update on the Town Bus project and reported that the next step was to undertake the survey that was included in the report that was presented to the May 2025 Policy & Finance Committee.

RESOLVED to approve commencement of the Town Bus Project survey.

172 AUTHORISE DEBIT CARD

RESOLVED to approve use for Democratic Services & Finance Officer (Wasif Choudhury), Community Development Officer (Laura Bacha) & Community Connect Champion (Peter Joint).

There being no further business the meeting closed at 6:22pm

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