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Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting

Approved Minutes of Finance and General Purpose Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 6 December 2017 at 6pm in the Westlake Room, The Village Hall, Station Road, Balsall Common CV7 7FF

Minutes

Present: Councillor Will Heard (Chair), Councillor Mark Tattum, Councillor Judy Lea, Councillor Christina O’Sullivan, Councillor Helen Dean (from 6.10pm) and no members of the public.

- 1. Apologies** were accepted from Councillor Christina O’Sullivan. Councillor Helen Dean gave notification that she might arrive at the meeting late and arrived at 6.10 after the consideration of item 5. Councillor Dean declared that she had no interest to declare.
- 2. Declaration of Interests:** There were no declarations of interest.
- 3.** To approve the Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 31 October 2017 as a true record.
Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 31 October 2017 were approved and signed by the Chairman.
- 4. Public Forum**
There were no members of the public.
- 5. To receive an update on the progress of resolutions of the last meeting.**
Regular playground inspections are being progressed through the RPII (Register of Play Inspectors international) to identify potential locally based inspectors to engage. If this is not fruitful, other parish council’s in the vicinity will be contacted with a view to collaboration.
It was confirmed that there have been no further FOI requests.

6. To consider for approval the 2018/19 budget principles to be used in setting the annual budget and to refer to Parish Council for approval.
It was resolved to adopt the principles as amended and refer to Parish Council for approval.
7. To authorise the exploration of extending the lease for Willow Park with Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council.
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8. To accept the appointment of external auditors PKF Littlejohn LLP for the 5 year period commencing with the financial year 2017/18.
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9. To accept from Groundwork UK on behalf of the Community Rights Programme a grant offer of £7,326.00 subject to the Terms and Conditions for expenditure in the financial year 2017/18 on NDP items as applied for.
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10. **Correspondence**
(10.1) Bank statement received from Co-operative bank confirming the closure of account number 65306244 on 6 November 2017.
This was noted.
11. **Date and Venue of Next Meeting:**
Tuesday 9 January, 1.00pm in St Peter's Church Hall, Holly Lane, Balsall Common CV7 7EA