

**Finance Committee Meeting  
16 January 2020**

Present: Councillors Dodson, G Eccles, J Eccles, Hardacre, Hirst, Holmes, Kenyon, Mitchell, Pringle, Wilson and the town clerk.

**3 members of the public were in attendance**

**334 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Bugge and Womersley.

Resolved that the respective reasons for absence be approved.

**335 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Mitchell declared a pecuniary interest in agenda item 5 – Payment of Accounts.

**336 MINUTES**

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 21 November 2019 be approved.

**337 SUB-COMMITTEES**

Resolved that the respective minutes of the sub-committee meetings held on 27 November 2019 and 17 December 2019 be approved.

**338 PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

*Having declared a pecuniary interest, Cllr Mitchell took no part in the discussion or vote on this matter.*

Resolved that the respective payment of accounts for November and December 2019 be approved.

**339 GRANT FUNDING**

**a) Roy Castle Lung Cancer Foundation**

Resolved that a donation of £100 be made to the Roy Castle Lung Cancer Foundation, in accordance with section 1, Localism Act 2011.

**b) 13/18 Royal Hussars Heritage Association**

Resolved that this item be deferred pending a meeting with representatives of the 13/18 Royal Hussars Heritage Association.

**340 COMMUNITY CENTRE**

**a) A request for use of a room in exchange for the provision of a counselling service**

Resolved that a three months trial period at the Fitzwilliam Centre be offered.

**b) A review of the room hire rates**

Resolved that this item be deferred.

**c) A review of the legal advice service**

Resolved that:

- The quote from Carters Solicitors be accepted.

Visit Lakeside Café Bar for a quality carvery every Wednesday and Sunday

- The legal advice service be limited to parishioners only.

**341 APPRAISALS**

Resolved that staff appraisals be introduced and the town clerk authorised accordingly.

**342 WEST YORKSHIRE PENSION FUND – ACTUARIAL ASSESSMENT**

The town clerk reported that the West Yorkshire Pension Fund's actuarial assessment has concluded that the council's employer contribution will need to increase by 0.8% in 2020-21.

Resolved that:

- The report of the town clerk be noted and approved.
- The 0.8% increase for 2020-21 be approved and accordingly factored into the budget setting.

**343 BUDGET 2020-21**

The town clerk provided a budget monitoring report for the first three quarters with a projected out-turn to the year end and a draft budget proposal for 2020-21 for members to consider.

Resolved that:

- The respective reports of the town clerk be noted and approved.
- The draft budget proposal be given further consideration at an informal budget meeting on 29 January 2020 and at the council meeting on 4 February 2020.

**344 EXCLUSION OF PRESS & PUBLIC**

Resolved that in view of the confidential nature of business to be transacted, it is advisable, in the public interest, that the public and press be excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

**345 CLUB TERRACE, FITZWILLIAM**

Resolved that this item be deferred pending a site visit.

**346 KIRKBY ROAD SPORTS COMPLEX**

The town clerk provided an update on the sports complex.

Resolved that the report of the town clerk be noted and approved.

**347 SUPPLIERS' CONTRACTS**

Resolved that the town clerk be authorized to cancel contracts with Concept Hygiene.

The meeting closed at 20:45.