

**Finance Committee Meeting
11 March 2021**

Present: Councillors Bugge, Dodson, G Eccles, J Eccles, Hirst, Kenyon, Wilson and the town clerk.

No members of the public were in attendance.

NB – This meeting was held online in accordance with the Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority Meetings) (England) Regulations 2020.

332 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Hardacre, Pringle and Womersley.

Resolved that the respective reasons for absence be approved.

333 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations other than those already stated in members' respective register of interests.

334 MINUTES

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 14 January 2021 be approved.

335 SUB-COMMITTEES

Resolved that the respective minutes of the sub-committee meetings held on 20 January and 23 February 2021 be approved.

336 PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

Resolved that the respective payment of accounts for January and February 2021 be approved.

337 COUNCIL OPERATIONS - COVID

Resolved that:

- Council properties are either closed or are open with COVID secure measures in place for exempt activities.
- A further general review to be held in due course and/or when circumstances change.

338 FIXED WIRE TESTING – HEMSWORTH COMMUNITY CENTRE

Resolved that a quote be obtained from the council's approved electrical contractor for the fixed wire testing at the community centre.

339 INTERNAL AUDIT 2020-21

The town clerk confirmed that the mid-year report of the internal auditor had been received with no issues to report.

340 BUDGET 2020-21

The town clerk provided a budget monitoring report for the period up to 28 February 2021.

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

341 PLAYWORLD – WMDC BOOKING

Resolved that this matter be deferred.

342 INSURANCE RENEWAL

Resolved that the quotes from/via WPS be accepted for the general, cyber and motor insurance.

343 HEALTH AND SAFETY

Resolved that Wakefield Council be asked if they can provide a quote for health and safety consultant provision.

344 HEMSWORTH COMMUNITY CENTRE - REQUEST

Resolved that the request to rent the catering kitchen for a takeaway service be declined.

345 HEMSWORTH WATER PARK – BEACH SHOP

Resolved that:

- The beach shop be reconfigured to provide a larger working area.
- The contractor concerned conduct the necessary work.

346 COUNCIL CONTRACTORS

Resolved that the current contract with TrustFord is adequate.

347 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.

348 CCTV MAINTENANCE AND COMPLIANCE

Resolved that the quote from 'Your Choice Fire and Security' be approved.

349 COMMUNITY CENTRE – FOOT CLINIC

Resolved that the license renewal details be issued to the Foot Clinic.

350 HEMSWORTH MUSIC FESTIVAL

Resolved that an alternative date be considered with further consideration in due course.

351 KIRKBY ROAD SPORTS COMPLEX

The town clerk provided an update on matters pertaining to the sports complex.

Resolved that:

- The report of the town clerk be noted and approved.
- The advice of Richard Buxton and Matthew Hutchings continue to be accepted and approved.

The meeting closed at 20:10.