

**Finance Committee Meeting
10 March 2022**

Present: Councillors Dodson, Folletti (non-committee member), Hird, Hirst, Pringle, A Westmorland, G Westmorland and the town clerk.

Eight members of the public were in attendance.

407 MEETING CHAIR

Resolved that in the absence of the chair and vice-chair, Cllr Pringle be elected to chair the meeting.

408 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs G Eccles, J Eccles, Kenyon, Middleton and Wilson.

Resolved that the respective reasons for absence be approved.

409 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

410 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

No matters were raised.

411 MINUTES

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 20 January 2022 be approved.

412 SUB-COMMITTEES

Resolved that the respective minutes of the sub-committee meetings held on 20 January and 28 February 2022 be approved.

413 PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

Resolved that the payment of accounts for January and February 2022 be approved.

414 BUDGET UPDATE

The town clerk provided a budget monitoring report for the first three quarters in that the council is slightly (0.4%) over budget.

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

415 ALLOTMENT FEES – REQUEST TO WAIVE FEES

Resolved that the request to waive the allotment fees for the 'Springfield allotment Community Klub' be approved.

416 FITZWILLIAM CENTRE

Resolved that the 13/18 Hussars be allowed to use the main hall on Saturday mornings, unless there are any party/function bookings.

417 NATIONAL JOINT COUNCIL – PAY AWARD 2021

Resolved that the National Joint Council pay award for 2021 be accepted, approved and implemented.

Visit Hemsworth Water Park and Playworld for a great family day out

418 PLAYWORLD – REMEDIAL WORK

Resolved that the town clerk be authorized to progress the remedial work with an appropriate contractor.

419 INSURANCE RENEWAL

Resolved that the town clerk be authorized to renew the council's insurance.

420 CITIZENS ADVICE SERVICE

Resolved that the provision of the citizens advice service be reduced to fortnightly from April 2022 onwards with a review to be held after a few months.

421 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.

422 SANDYGATE – LEASE WITH ARCHBISHOP HOLGATE TRUST

Resolved that the terms of the five year rent review offered by the Archbishop Holgate Trust be accepted and approved.

423 HEMSWORTH COMMUNITY CENTRE – LEASE WITH WMDC ADULT WORKFORCE TEAM

Resolved that the annual rental be increased by 2%.

The meeting closed at 19:25.