

**Finance Committee Meeting  
14 April 2022**

Present: Councillors Dodson, G Eccles, J Eccles, Folletti, Hardacre, Hird, Hirst, Kenyon, Middleton, Mitchell (non-committee member), Pringle, A Westmorland, G Westmorland, Wilson and the town clerk.

**Twenty members of the public were in attendance.**

**475 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

All committee members were in attendance.

**476 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllrs G Eccles and J Eccles each declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 10 – ‘Seasonals – rate of pay’.

**477 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

A member of the public asked Cllr J Eccles to clarify a comment she had previously made.

**478 MINUTES**

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 10 March 2022 be approved.

**479 SUB-COMMITTEES**

Resolved that the minutes of the sub-committee meeting held on 24 March 2022 be approved.

**480 PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

Resolved that the payment of accounts for March 2022 be approved.

**481 REQUESTS FOR GRANTS/SUPPORT**

**a) Martin House Children’s Hospice**

Resolved that a grant of £200 be awarded to Martin House Hospice, in accordance with section 1, Localism Act 2011.

**b) ‘Keep It Clean’ (Hemsworth)**

Resolved that a grant of £200 be awarded to ‘Keep It Clean’ (Hemsworth), in accordance with section 1, Localism Act 2011.

**c) ‘Bag Fairies’**

Resolved that the town clerk look into possibly placing a portakabin on the former garages area at Sandygate Lane allotments for the ‘Bag Fairies’, in accordance with section 1, Localism Act 2011.

**d) Hemsworth Town FC**

Resolved that the request from Hemsworth Town for exclusive use of a football facility be deferred.

**482 ADMINISTRATION OFFICE – DOUBLE SCREENS**

Resolved that monitors be procured so that the two workstations in the administration office have double screens.

**483 NOTICEBOARDS**

Resolved that Wakefield Council be asked for permission to place noticeboards in Kinsley, Fitzwilliam, Victoria Park, West End Park and the precinct in Hemsworth.

**484 SEASONALS – RATE OF PAY**

Resolved that with immediate effect the rate of pay for all seasonals will be the upper level of the national minimum wage.

**485 SANDYGATE FOOTBALL FACILITY**

**a) 3g pitch – remedial work for FA certification**

Resolved that the quote from 'Replay Maintenance' be approved in respect of the remedial work necessary for FA certification.

**b) 3g pitch - Steve Wells Associates' report**

The council chairman raised matters pertaining to the report conducted by Steve Wells Associates several years ago.

The meeting closed at 19:40.