West Horsley Parish Council

MEETING OF FINANCE COMMITTEE ON 11TH JANUARY 2023

Present
Cllrs E Best, V Buosi, Cllr P Dodgson, F King (Chairman), C Young; J McClung, Clerk/RFO

23.001 **Chairman's Opening Remarks**
The Chairman welcomed everyone, reminding them that Committee meetings are meetings in public, not public meetings.

23.002 **Apologies**
None

23.003 **Declarations of Interest**
Cllr King and Cllr Best declared an interest in 23.009 Village Hall Invoicing.

23.004 **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**
The minutes of the meeting on 12th October 2022 were approved by the Committee and signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record.

23.005 **Expenditure Against Budget**

a) Members received and reviewed a detailed report on expenditure against budget to 31st December 2022. It was noted that the Council's General Reserves have reduced significantly and are currently below the recommended 50% of precept.
b) Members received and approved a briefing note on the proposed movement of funds from several Ear Marked Reserves to General Reserves. This will now be recommended to Full Council on 17th January.

23.006 **S106**
No updates.

23.007 **WHPC Community Grants Awards Scheme**
Members reviewed an application from West Horsley Place for £1500. This is to contribute towards the cost of repairs to corroded guttering by lining with modern plastic alternatives. This will allow the Trust to leave historic examples of guttering in situ, to preserve the features of the house's exterior. The application was approved.

23.008 **Other Grants**
No updates.

23.009 **Village Hall Invoicing**
Members agreed to move to monthly invoicing for Village Hall room bookings, to enable better monitoring of spend against budget.

23.010 **Village Garden Party & Sunflower Field Project**
Members received a briefing note on income and expenditure for the 2022 garden party (cancelled) and the sunflower field project. Members agreed a contribution of £1600.05 was appropriate, to come from its Earmarked Reserve for Village Fete. This would cover the cost of preparing the sunflower field, purchasing and sowing the seeds, and the non-recoverable costs of insurance and entertainment for the cancelled garden party.

Chairman's initials …….

The Finance Committee will recommend to Full Council on 17th January that it approves a payment of £1600.05, so long as invoices for all items can be provided.

23.011 **Date of next meeting** 5th April 2023, 10.30am in the Rubin Room.

22.012 **Other Village Matters** None were raised.

The meeting was closed at 11.34am.

Signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record:
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Date: ……