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Minutes of the Town Council Finance & General Purposes Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 11th December 2018 at 7.30pm in The Oundle Suite, Fletton House, Oundle.

Present: Cllrs: Cllr Hutton, Cllr Sparkes, T Robinson, M Glen and T Stagg
Clerk: Emma Baker
Finance Officer: Paul Smith

FGP18.22. Apologies for Absence

- 18.22.01. To receive apologies for absence.
Cllr D Chapple
- 18.22.02. To accept apologies for absence.
The apologies were accepted

FGP18.23. Declarations of Interests

To receive and consider any declarations of interest from Members and Officers under Section 50 of the Local Government Act 2000 (*Standing Order 35*) (This requirement applies only in respect of matters, which are to be considered by the Council at this meeting.)

- 18.23.01. To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.
None
- 18.23.02. To declare any Other Interests.
None

FGP18.24. Representations from Interested Parties

A period of no longer than 10 minutes will be allocated for members of the public to address the meeting about items on this agenda at the **Chairman's discretion**. (*Standing Order 3d and 3e*).
None.

FGP18.25. Consideration of Requests from Interested Parties

None received.

FGP18.26. Minutes of Previous Meetings – Finance & General Purposes and Committee

- 18.26.01. PROPOSITION: *'To approve and sign the minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting held on 13th November 2018 as an accurate record.'* (*Standing Order 10c*)
The minutes were approved.

Proposed: Cllr Stagg

Seconded: Cllr Glen

Resolved: All in favour

FGP18.27. Financial Matters

18.27.01. To receive the Balance Sheet, Budget Account, Hub trading account for November 2018

The accounts were received.

18.27.02. To consider the budget for 2019/2020.

Following a discussion related to the inclusion of £10,000 for repairs and maintenance of the Queen Victoria Hall it was agreed that the budget would be reduced to £1,500 and any further maintenance be taken from the QVH reserves. It was agreed that the QVH carry forward figure from the previous year be included in the budget summary.

The Clerk will investigate current S106 money that is available and timescales for spending it from ENC.

Following a discussion regarding how much the precept should increase. It was agreed that the Finance Committee recommend that the precept is increased by 2%.

The Finance Officer will amend the budget and circulate it to the members of the Finance & General Purposes Committee. The Mayor will write the summary report to be circulated with the budget for approval at the Full Council meeting on 18th December.

FGP18.28. Any other business for Report Only

The Finance Officer gave an update of the VAT query regarding the Pre-school.

The Finance Officer informed the meeting about the comparison between the Unity Trust Bank and Barclays bank charges.

Cllr Glen asked how long the new Photocopier contract would last. Cllr Stagg asked for the Three-year plan to go on the agenda for the next Finance meeting.

The Clerk informed the meeting that the Christmas lights have now been installed in West Street.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.44 pm

Signed: .....

Dated: 12/2/19.....