

DAVENTRY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Virtual Meeting of the Finance & Policy Committee held by Video Conference on Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021 at 18:30hrs

**PRESENT:** Cllr Alan Knape – Chair

**Councillors**  
Mike Arnold  
Lynne Taylor  
Katie Thurston  
Ted Nicholl

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Deborah Jewell – Chief Officer (CO)  
Sarah Fox – Responsible Finance Officer (RFO)

1 Members of the Public  
0 Members of the Press

**OPEN FORUM**

None.

**FP2103.1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies received from Cllr Mark Wesley.

**FP2103.2 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

No pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests declared.

**FP2103.3 MINUTES**

<b>RESOLVED:</b>	That the Minutes of the Finance & Policy Committee meeting held on Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> February 2021 having been circulated, be approved, and signed as a correct record.
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**FP2103.4 COMMUNITY GRANT(S)**

None received.

**FP2103.5 POLICIES**

Members reviewed policies, as identified for review in the schedule and

<b>RECOMMENDED</b>	(i) Asset Register, be approved. (ii) Treasury Policy, be approved.
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**FP2103.6 VIRTUAL MEETINGS – THE LOCAL AUTHOROTIES (CORONARVIRUS) (FLEXIBILITY OF LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETINGS) (ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2020 FOR THE CONDUCT OF LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETINGS HELD BEFORE 7<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2021, AND FOR THE PUBLIC AND PRESS ACCESS TO THOSE MEETINGS.**

Members noted the date for the cessation of the temporary change to the meeting rules to enable virtual meetings and considered the need to support a more flexible approach with the introduction of legislation that would give local authorities the flexibility to hold meetings totally



of partly via remote means in the future. Members concurred that they were supportive of a change to legislation that would provide local authorities with the option should it be deemed appropriate to hold remote meetings to enable meetings to be flexible, accessible and inclusive.

<b>RECOMMENDED</b>	That the Town Council supports a change in legislation to enable options for the council to hold meetings remotely to enable council meetings to be accessible and inclusive.
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#### FP2103.7 FINANCIAL REPORTS

Members referred to the financial reports and the Chair confirmed he had seen the bank statements and reconciled the balances.

<b>RESOLVED:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(i) That the Council budget/income and expenditure report for February 2021 be received.</li><li>(ii) That the statement of Earmarked Reserves for February 2021 be received.</li><li>(iii) That the CIL receipts and expenditure report be received.</li><li>(iv) That the statement of balances and reconciliation as of 28<sup>th</sup> February 2021 be approved and signed.</li><li>(v) That the schedule of payments for the period 9<sup>th</sup> February 2021 to 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021 be approved and signed.</li><li>(vi) That the schedule of petty cash payments and inter account transfer for the period to 9<sup>th</sup> February 2021 to 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021 be approved and signed.</li></ul>
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#### FP2103.8 CORRESPONDENCE

None.

#### FP2103.9 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next virtual meeting of the Finance & Policy Committee will be held on Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

The meeting closed at 18:58 hrs.

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DATED .....

12/04/2021