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## Agenda

### Finance & Establishment Committee

To Committee Members: Councillors Asker, De Vries, Eke, Fairhurst, Hawke-Smith, Millward, Porch, Toy (Chair), 1 x vacancy on Committee

You are summoned to attend a MEETING of the FINANCE & ESTABLISHMENT COMMITTEE of SAFFRON WALDEN to be held via the video conferencing service Zoom on **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2020** commencing at **7.30pm** to transact the business as set out in the agenda below.

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**Lisa Courtney, Town Clerk**

**11<sup>th</sup> November 2020**

1	<p><b>Apologies for absence</b></p> <p>To receive apologies and consider requests for approved absence</p>
2	<p><b>To receive any Declarations of Interest</b></p> <p>Members and officers are invited to make any declarations of interests that they may have in relation to items on the agenda and are reminded to make any declarations at any stage during the meeting if it then becomes apparent that this may be required when a particular item or issue is considered.</p>
3	<p><b>Public Speaking Time</b></p> <p>For the public or Press to ask questions of the Committee on matters relating to the agenda.</p> <p>Members of the public will be able to participate in the online meeting by following the link / details as given on page 1 of this agenda.</p>
4	<p><b>Minutes of the last meeting of the Finance &amp; Establishment Committee</b></p> <p>To verify the Minutes of the Committee meeting held in October 2020</p>
<b>Financial Matters</b>	
5	<p><b>Expenditure – to be authorised</b></p> <p>(a) To approve the payment of the accounts received since 12<sup>th</sup> October 2020. Cheques for these accounts have not yet been authorised, awaiting approval by this meeting.</p> <p>(b) To approve the payment of accounts (for cheques already issued) since 12<sup>th</sup> October 2020.</p>
6	<p><b>Tourist Information Centre (TIC) Details</b></p> <p>Committee to receive the following reports (as attached)</p> <p>(a) Profit &amp; Loss Account for TIC for October 2020  (b) Monthly report from TIC (incs sales graphs)  (c) Proposed business plan for the TIC/tourism: to note that a full report will be provided to the January Committee meeting</p>
7	<p><b>Monthly Reports</b></p> <p>(a) Bank reconciliation statement with supporting statements</p>

	<p>(b) Cash Book – showing all income and expenditure for the previous ended month for October 2020</p> <p>(c) Income report, broken down by budget code – year to date including comparison of income year to date against the previous year.</p>
8	<p><b>Committee Hi-Light Reports</b></p> <p>To receive and note the reports from the RFO being a highlight report bringing to the attention of Committee any items for specific note or action. Documents 8(a) and 8(b) refer</p>
9	<p><b>Draft Budget for 2021/22</b></p> <p>To receive and consider the first draft of the proposed budget for 2021/22 as presented by Cllr Paul Gadd as Chair of the Budget Working Group and Mr David Broomfield, RFO.</p> <p>Should Committee find favour with the draft as presented (or subject to any agreed changes) the draft budget will be presented to the December Full Council meeting for consideration</p>
10	<p><b>PCSO Funding 2022/23 onwards</b></p> <p>The draft budget as presented in 9 above, includes continued funding for the jointly funded Saffron Walden PCSO post (funded 50/50 by the Town Council and UDC).</p> <p>The Town Council initially committed to 1 year of funding but (due to delays in the post being occupied and with the SLA), funding was naturally extended over 2 budget periods and is from August 2019 to March 2021. Subject to approval of the draft 2021/22 budget, the Town Council's funding will continue until March 2022.</p> <p>Committee is requested to consider the longer-term engagement and participation in this scheme and to provide any direction for future budgets</p>
11	<p><b>Projected Income and Expenditure 2020/21 in light of Covid-19</b></p> <p>Committee to note that further projections will be considered at the January 2021 Committee meeting</p>
12	<p><b>Grant Application</b></p> <p>To consider the awarding of a grant of £283.33 for the Saffron Walden Initiative being the cost of their public liability insurance. Details as per attached application form</p> <p>Total 2020/21 grant allocation £5,300 Balance as at 13.10.20 is £4,351</p> <p>This application represented following consideration at the October meeting at which the Committee requested SWI to approach their insurers for any reduction in premium cost or a time extension (Min Ref F &amp; E 124-20 refers. Further details are awaited from SWI and it is anticipated these will be available at the meeting.</p>

13	<b>Funding Streams from UDC</b> To consider any response to UDC following the Town Council's grant applications as submitted to UDC
14	<b>Urgent Information Items</b> Any items to verbally report for information only
15	<b>Date and time of Next Meeting</b> Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> December 2020, 7.30pm via Zoom