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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 18th January 2021** commencing at **7.30pm** to transact the business as set out in the agenda below.

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Lisa Courtney, Town Clerk

13th January 2021

1	<p>Apologies for absence</p> <p>To receive apologies and consider requests for approved absence</p>
2	<p>To receive any Declarations of Interest</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>Public Speaking Time</p> <p>For the public or Press to ask questions of the Committee on matters relating to the agenda. 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>Minutes of the last meeting of the Finance & Establishment Committee</p> <p>To verify the Minutes of the Committee meeting held in December 2020</p>
<p>Financial Matters</p>	
<p>As agreed at the December F & E Meeting, the following are monthly, standing items for a policy meeting: Expenditure and bank reconciliation reports.</p>	
5	<p>Expenditure – to be authorised</p> <p>(a) To approve the payment of the accounts received since 21st December 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 21st December 2020.</p>
6	<p>Monthly Reports</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 November 2020</p>
7	<p>Year End Return (AGAR) (exceptional item)</p> <p>To receive the year-end return following audit from the external auditors and to commend same to Full Council. It is noted that the Council disputes comments made by the external auditor and any reply from the external auditor to this dispute will be advised at the meeting. Agenda items 7 (a) to (c) refer</p>

8	<p>Grant Application (exceptional item)</p> <p>The Committee has previously agreed to consider grant applications on a quarterly basis with the next scheduled consideration being January 2021.</p> <p>Accurro grant application - £600.00</p> <p>A grant is requested towards costs of “stay and play” sessions aimed at disabled children, young people and their carers. Further details as per the application form attached plus supporting documents (a) to (e)</p>
Policy Matters	
	<p>In accordance with the schedule as agreed at the December 2020 F & E meeting, this meeting is to focus on the Tourist Information Centre, having regard to income streams and a business plan</p>
9	<p>Tourist Information Centre (TIC) Details</p> <p>Committee to receive the following reports (as attached) and to consider progression of the business plan and income opportunities for the TIC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Profit & Loss Account for TIC for December 2020 (b) Graphs showing comparative income and stock purchases covering 2016-2020 (c) Monthly report from TIC (incs sales graphs) (d) Business Plan (e) UDC and SWTC joint working opportunities
10	<p>Urgent Information Items</p> <p>Any items to verbally report for information only</p>
11	<p>Date and time of Next Meeting</p> <p>Monday 15th February 2021, 7.30pm via Zoom</p>