



SUNNINGDALE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting Tuesday 12 November 2024 at 3 pm held at The Community Room, Broomhall Recreation Ground

FC 12/24

Attendance and Apologies for absence

Attendance:

Cllr Evans (Chair); Cllr Coxon; and Cllr Newman

Apologies for absence:

Cllr Pike

Present:

Louise Steele – Locum Clerk

Natalie Hayes – Clerk Designate

Cllr Hilton and Cllr Buxton

There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

The Locum Clerk clarified that Councillors who were not members of the Committee were entitled to attend the meeting and, at the discretion of the Chair, could speak but were unable to vote.

FC 13/24

To review the minutes of the meetings of 7th May and 10th September 2024

Resolved

That the minutes of the meetings were signed by the Chair as an accurate record of the meetings.

FC 14/24

Public Adjournment

There were no public questions, and no members of the public attended the meeting.

- Advise Full Council that there is no budget provision in the current year for Community Grants and recommend that £5,000 is drawn from the Playgrounds EMR (recently augmented by funding some 2023/24 playground work from CIL) and used to create funding in the current year for Community Grants.

The committee commented on the applications for the benefit of Full Council as shown below:

- Application for £2,000 Community Grant from Ascot District Day Centre
Comment: if funding is made available by virement from reserves then there would be funding available for this grant;
- Application for £30,000 CIL funding from Sunningdale Bowls Club
Comment: that more information about this application should be sought and that the Council should not decide upon it at this time;
- Application for £2,952.50 CIL funding for MAD Academy Outreach
Comment; this request may not meet the criteria to be funded from CIL and if Community Grant funding is made available by virement from reserves then there would be funding available to make this grant as a Community Grant); and
- Application for £1,036 CIL funding from the Sunningdale Village Hall Board of Trustees
Comment: this request may not meet the criteria to be funded from CIL but the council holds an EMR for work to the Village Hall and this grant could be funded from that EMR.

FC 19/24

Review of fees and charges

Cllr Coxon declared a personal interest in the allotments as an allotment holder.

The committee went through in detail the current charges and fees.

Actions:

- Allotments – Cllr Newman to investigate the requirement for a new fence with the facilities officer. It was recommended that the cost of an allotment be increased to £7.50 per pole.
- Cemeteries – would look to increase for out of area residents possibly to three times the resident charge.
- Flat – Stay as they are. Look to re-establish inspections on a regular basis. (Clerk)
- Community room – fees to stay as they are.
- Tennis – The working group would look at Tennis fees
- Car parking to be added to the budget sheet as not currently included.

FC 20/24

First Draft budget

The locum Clerk shared the first draft budget for 2025/26.

The committee agreed that the salaries budget should be a single line on the budget and not split out over cost centres.

The meeting concluded at 5.27pm