

Minutes of the Meeting of Sedbergh Parish Council Policy & Resource Committee

Held in the Parish Room at 72a Main Street at 5.00 pm on Monday 7th November 2016

Present:

Cllrs Atkins, Capstick, Lancaster and the Clerk Miss Hassam

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr Allan and accepted by the meeting.

2. Declaration of Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of 11th October 2016 were agreed as a true record.

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

Item 4 – Grant Applications – YDNPA, Birks Bridge rebuild. It was noted that the rebuild of the Bridge was now almost complete.

Item 4 – Parking Permits, weekly – Advertisement of the new weekly signs should be considered for 2017.

Item 8 – Chamber of Trade, Free Parking. It was noted that the Chair of the Chamber of Trade had replied advising of their disappointment at the recent decision to refuse free parking on Saturdays during December and that he would be attending the full Council meeting on 10th November to make further representations.

Financial Summary and Bank Reconciliation

The Financial Summary was presented to the meeting and payments were agreed. It was noted that the second half of the Precept had now been received. Further noted were the payments to M Hinson in connection with the recent additional works at Queen's Garden and the Playing Field. Also the payment to Eon for Parish Lighting (three months) and the Annual Invoice from CCC Highways regarding Parish Lighting. The Clerk is seeking to clarify the recent repairs to lighting made, in addition to the annual contract, by establishing the actual lamps repaired.

The Bank Reconciliation for October was checked and found to be correct.

5. Income and Expenditure 2016-2017

Income and expenditures were reviewed for October with no particular observations at this point.

- i) Budget considerations for 2017-2018 – A draft budget (attached) was presented to the meeting. Notable points including a proposed Precept increase of 1.5%, proposed expenditure by the Amenities Committee at Main Street toilets (including specification requirements), Laptop replacement for the Clerk, along with STP future requirements and a new budget heading for Community Resilience planning. It was agreed that the draft Budget would be discussed further by Members at Full Council on 10th November 2016 and the Final Budget would be considered for approval in December (along with the Precept).

6. Grant Applications

There was one application.

- i) Chamber of Trade – Late night Opening, an application for the sum of £450 had been received to assist toward the estimated overall cost of £1500. Following discussion, it was agreed to recommend the request for approval at Full Council. It was agreed that the Chamber of Trade be requested to include SPC (as part funder) on any literature produced for the evening.

7. Bank Mandate

The Clerk has requested a new bank mandate to allow Cllr Capstick to replace former Cllr Mary Macpherson.

8. Date of next meeting

Monday 5th December at 5.00 pm in the Parish Council Office, at 72 Main Street, Sedbergh.