MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE OF BOURNE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 12TH DECEMBER 2023 at 6:00PM AT THE COUNCIL OFFICES, 3 ABBEY ROAD, BOURNE

 Present
 Chair
 R Mckinney

 Councillors
 P Fellows
 B Johnson
 C Pattison
 N Oglesbee

 Z Lane
 L Panrucker

(Recorded by Town Clerk)

2720F To receive/approve reasons for Apologies for Absence

Proposed by Cllr N Oglesbee, seconded by Cllr B Johnson and unanimously. **RESOLVED:** To receive/approve reasons for Apologies for Absence from Cllr's H Crawford, A Kelly, S Mallett, N Eveleigh, B Baricz Hughes, S Giullari and A Willis.

2721F To receive Declarations of Interest in accordance with The Localism Act 2011

None Received

2722F To consider requests for Dispensation.

None received.

2723F To ask if members of the public, resident or employed within this Parish, have any intention to speak under any Agenda Items of this meeting (this will be to a maximum of 3 minutes)

There were no members of the public present.

2724F To adopt the Notes of the Meeting held on 28th November 2023 as a true record and to resolve for the Chair to sign them.

It was agreed to exclude minute reference 2715F for clarification.

Proposed by Cllr L Panrucker, seconded by Cllr C Pattison, and unanimously. **RESOLVED:** To adopt the Notes of the Meeting held on 17th October 2023 as a true record and for the Chair to sign them.

2725F To receive reports, if any, by District/County Councillors or Representatives on other Organisations

There were no reports received.

2726F To answer questions from Councillors.

This item was deferred to the Planning Meeting being held on the same day.

2727F To review/discuss the draft budget for the year 2024/2025 and the associated precept request.

The clerk issued the revised budget figures to all members and informed them of the changes that had been made.

The clerk again emphasised that the Council, as in previous years, were constrained by the overall percentage increase on the final precepted figure.

Proposed by Cllr C Pattison, seconded by Cllr Z Lane **RESOLVED:** To receive the above mentioned revised draft budget.

2728F To discuss/accept nominations for the nominative trustee appointments to Bourne United Charities and to make the necessary recommendations, (3 appointments to be made).

It was agreed that this item would be deferred to the Town Council meeting to be held on the 19th December 2023.

Proposed by Cllr R McKinney, seconded by Cllr B Johnson and unanimously. **RESOLVED:** To defer the above item.

2729F To receive information relating to the SKDC consultation on their Corporate Plan.

Cllr Paul Fellows addressed the members and gave a brief resume of the consultation.

The Clerk informed members that the consultation runs until the 19th December.

Proposed by Cllr P Fellows, seconded by Cllr R McKinney, and unanimously **RESOLVED:** To receive the above information.

2730F To receive feedback on the Christmas Light switch on and information regarding Income/Expenditure for the event.

Cllr P Fellows gave the members a brief report on the event and was happy that all had gone to plan and was more successful than any previous year.

The clerk had prepared an Income and Expenditure account for the event that showed an overall cost to the Council of £715.00.

Proposed by Cllr P Fellows, seconded by Cllr C Pattison, and unanimously **RESOLVED:** To receive the above report.

2731F To discuss any information which the Chair may legally bring to the Council's attention.

Due to their being no further items to discuss the chair brought the meeting to a close at 18:41hrs.