MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE OF BOURNE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 21ST JANUARY 2020 at 7:00pm, in the Bourne Town Council Offices, SK Community Point, Bourne

Present	Chairman	P Knowles			
	Councillors	P Fellows	B Johnson	B Russell	J Smith
		D Mapp	R McKinney	J Reid	R Reid
		A Kelly	H Crawford	J Kingman	C Pattison

(Recorded by Town Clerk)

2311F To receive/approve reasons for Apologies for Absence

Proposed by Cllr C Pattison, seconded by Cllr J Reid and unanimously **RESOLVED:** To receive/approve reasons for Apologies for Absence from Cllr M Overland

2312F To receive Declarations of Interest in accordance with The Localism Act 2011

Non Pecuniary	Cllr J Reid	Items 12 & 13	3
Non Pecuniary	Cllr B Johnson	Items 12 & 13	3
Non Pecuniary	Cllr P Knowles	Items 12 & 13	3

2313F To consider requests for Dispensation

As listed above

2314F 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)

None Present.

2315F To adopt the Notes of the Meeting held on 3rd December 2019 as a true record and to resolve for the Chairman to sign them

Proposed by Cllr R McKinney, seconded by Cllr J Reid, and unanimously. **RESOLVED:** To adopt the Notes of the Meeting held on 3rd December 2019 as a true record and for the Chairman to sign them

2316F To receive reports, if any, by District/County Councillors or Representatives on other Organisations

Cllr R Reid – SKDC – District budgets are now at consultation stage and ends mid-February.

2317F To answer questions from Councillors

None received.

2318F To adopt the period trial balance and bank reconciliation – month ending 30.11.2019

Proposed by Cllr D Mapp, seconded by Cllr B Johnson and unanimously. **RESOLVED:** To adopt the period trial balance and bank reconciliation – month ending 30.11.19

2319F To adopt the period trial balance and bank reconciliation - month ending 31.12.2019

Proposed by Cllr J Reid, seconded by Cllr B Johnson and unanimously. **RESOLVED:** To adopt the period trial balance and bank reconciliation – month ending 31.12.19

2320F To adopt the Income & Expenditure Budget Report – month ending 31.12.2019

Proposed by Cllr H Crawford, seconded by Cllr J Reid and unanimously. **RESOLVED:** To adopt the Income & Expenditure Budget Report – month ending 31.12.19

2321F To approve accounts for payment

Proposed by Cllr D Mapp, seconded by Cllr J Reid, and unanimously. **RESOLVED:** To approve accounts for payment as listed

2322F To consider a grant application from the Dyke Village Hall Committee

The clerk informed the members that the village hall currently had a leaking roof that was need of being replaced. The committee are currently seeking funds from various sources.

It was agreed that the Council would assist with the immediate repair costs once known but would await the outcome of the other requests before considering a further grant.

It was agreed that all small repair jobs could be undertaken by the Council as the leaseholder for the property.

Proposed by Cllr D Mapp, seconded by Cllr R Reid, and unanimously.

RESOLVED: To Assist with the immediate repair costs and await further information.

2323F To ratify the grant to be made to the Dyke Women's Institute (£600.00) proposed by the Amenities Committee

Proposed by Cllr R McKinney, seconded by Cllr C Pattison, and **RESOLVED:** To ratify the grant as detailed above.

2324F To consider a request for assistance in developing the planter on Coggles Causeway from the Len Pick Trust

Cllr Knowles informed members that the Len Pick Trust were fully behind many of the Town Councils initiatives (In Bloom, Remembrance Sunday) and had approached the Town Council To support them with the financial implications of developing the Coggles Causeway planter.

Members were generally in agreement with this, Cllr Kelly asked if the LPT could provide an Information board as part of the development.

Proposed by Cllr R Reid, seconded by Cllr J Kingman, and

RESOLVED: To agree a grant of £1000.00 to the LPT on the proviso that negotiations with SKDC with regards to ownership are satisfactorily concluded.

2325F To RECOMMEND that the draft consolidated budget for the year 2020/2021 is adopted by Bourne Town Council

The clerk distributed the draft budget paperwork to the members.

Cllr Knowles commented that the budget was still a work in progress and that members Should scrutinise the budget and present any possible amendments to the clerk. The increase To the local rate payer was 4.83%

Proposed by Cllr P Knowles, seconded by Cllr J Kingman and unanimously.

RESOLVED: To recommend to Bourne Town Council that the budget 2020/2021 is adopted.

2326F To discuss any information which the Chairman may legally bring to the Council's attention

The clerk informed members of the 500th anniversary of 'William Cecil' and that he was currently putting together ideas to celebrate this occasion.

The chair informed members of the closure of 'Jessie Bellamy' the members wished a letter to be sent to the proprietor Richard Simpson in this connection.

Cllr J Smith notified members of a coffee morning being held at her home in Gladstone Street On Saturday Morning.

Due to their being no further items to discuss the chairman brought the meeting to a close at 19:41hrs.