MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE OF BOURNE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 22nd October 2019 at 7:00pm, in the Bourne Town Council Offices, SK Community Point, Bourne

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

(Recorded by Town Clerk)

2282F To receive/approve reasons for Apologies for Absence

Proposed by Cllr J Reid, seconded by Cllr D Mapp and

RESOLVED: To receive/approve reasons for Apologies for Absence from Cllr M Overland. and Cllr B Johnson

2283F To receive Declarations of Interest in accordance with The Localism Act 2011

Clir P Fellows Non Pecuniary – Item 11 – Dimension Skatepark. **Clir J Smith** Non Pecuniary – Item 11 – Dimension Skatepark.

2284F To consider requests for Dispensation

None Received.

2285F 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.

2286F To adopt the Notes of the Meeting held on 10th September 2019 as a true record and to resolve for the Chairman to sign them

Proposed by Cllr R McKinney, seconded by Cllr H Crawford, and unanimously. **RESOLVED:** To adopt the Notes of the Meeting held on 10th September 2019 as a true record and for the Chairman to sign them

2287F To receive reports, if any, by District/County Councillors or Representatives on other Organisations

Cllr P Fellows – Elsea Park Trust have held their AGM which was well attended Cllr H Crawford – reported that herself and two fellow councillors had attended the Resilience conference at Grantham. It was found to be extremely informative and useful as the Council Is about to progress its own emergency plan.

Cllr R Reid - LCC- had attended a County Council budget workshop

Cllr P Knowles – Neighbourhood Watch Association – held its AGM last week and has formed a new committee.

2288F To answer questions from Councillors

None received.

2289F To adopt the period trial balance and bank reconciliation - month ending 30.09.2019

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

RESOLVED: To adopt the period trial balance and bank reconciliation – month ending 30.09.19

2290F To adopt the Period Trial Balance and Bank Reconciliation – month ending 30.09.2019

Proposed by Cllr H Crawford, seconded by Cllr J Reid and unanimously. **RESOLVED:** To adopt the Period Trial Balance and Bank Reconciliation – month ending 31.08.19

2291F To approve accounts for payment

Proposed by Cllr H Crawford, seconded by Cllr J Reid, and unanimously. **RESOLVED:** To approve accounts for payment

2292F To Consider the position with regard to Grant funding to Dimension Skatepark

Cllr Knowles gave a summary of the situation:

- The Council have provided in reserves £2,500.00 for the skatepark
- A letter has been received indicating that the Council had previously agreed a sum of £10,000.00
- This has been verified by the clerk from past records.

It was the general opinion of the members that the Council should honour the original agreement with Dimension Skatepark of £10,000.00

Cllr Knowles pointed out that all though he was in agreement with honouring the £10,000.00 When originally agreed in 2007 the item had not been placed in the budget.

Proposed by Cllr P Knowles, seconded by Cllr J Reid.

To honour the £10,000.00 and to increase the Councils reserve for this item going forward.

Counter proposal by Cllr J Kingman, seconded by Cllr J Smith To increase the amount to £16,000.00.

The Counter proposal was defeated 2 votes for and 4 votes against

RESOLVED: To Honour the agreement to grant a sum of £10,000.00 to the Skatepark, to be paid once the total requirement had been realised and to achieve this by increasing the Council's current reserve going forward.

2293F To Discuss/consider the option of a lease on the South Street toilet block.

The Clerk informed the members that he was still awaiting the Heads of terms for the lease.

Proposed by Cllr P Knowles, seconded by Cllr R Reid, and unanimously. **RESOLVED:** To allow the lease to be considered by the clerk and Cllr D Mapp

2294F To prepare a budget timetable and form a working party to consider the budget for 2020/2021

The clerk informed the members that the end date for completion of the budget process was The 28th January 2020.

Proposed by Cllr H Crawford, seconded by Cllr P Knowles.

RESOLVED: To form a small working party consisting of Cllr Knowles, Cllr Pattison, Cllr McKinney, Cllr R Reid and Cllr H Crawford.

2295F To consider a response to SKDC with regard to the modifications to the Local Plan

It was decided to defer this matter until early November.

The question needs to be asked whether the application covering the 107 dwellings from Larkfleet has been predetermined with regard to site allocation.

2296F To discuss any information which the Chairman may legally bring to the Council's attention

The clerk reminded members that Remembrance weekend was almost upon us and that arrangements were well in hand for the necessary road closures.

Cllr R Reid informed members that there would be no contribution from SKDC to the street cleaner in Bourne.

Due to their being no further items to discuss the chairman brought the meeting to a close at 20:24hrs.