Minutes of Shevington Parish Council Finance Committee Meeting Held Thursday 1 March 2018 7:35 pm Shevington Library

Present: Councillor I Whiteley (Chairman), Councillors J Ball, W McKnight, C Miles and K Shaw.

No members of the public were present.

Officer in Attendance: Mrs K Pilkington (Clerk)

1. Apologies

Cllrs J Fletcher, C Horridge, A Bland and J Calderbank.

2. Declaration of Interests

Cllr I Whiteley w.r.t. Item 7.

3. Minutes of the Last Finance Committee Meeting (11 January 2018)

Resolved: The Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 11 January 2018 were approved as a true and correct record.

4. Budget Monitoring

It was reported that most cost centres were on track. Only the 'Mileage, postage, tel' cost centre was showing a small overspend.

Resolved: The Committee approved a virement of £100 from the 'Contingency' cost centre to the 'Mileage, postage, tel' cost centre.

5. Christmas Decorations

The Committee discussed the designs of lamp post motifs available from Blachere Illuminations and made several selections.

Resolved: It was agreed that the Clerk would forward the selected designs to the LA in order to establish which were still available in sufficient numbers to cover all twelve lamp posts in Shevington village centre and, if appropriate and within budget, place an order. The Committee agreed that all twelve motifs purchased should not be identical.

6. Registration of Memorial Park & Garden with Land Registry

In order to register Memorial Park & Garden with the Land Registry and complete the Internal Audit Action Plan the original deeds would have to be withdrawn from the bank's safe deposit facility.

Resolved: It was agreed that the Clerk and either Cllrs I Whiteley and W McKnight or Cllrs I Whiteley and J Ball would withdraw the deeds to Memorial Park & Garden from the bank.

Cllr I Whiteley withdrew from the meeting. Cllr W McKnight took the Chair.

7. Financial Aid Applications

Shevington Recreation Ground Trustees

An application from the Shevington Recreation Ground Trustees for a grant towards the maintenance of the recreation ground was considered.

Resolved: A s19 grant of £2,580 was approved.

Resolved: A virement of £80 from the 'Contingency' cost centre to the 'Recreation Ground Maintenance' cost centre was approved.

The Committee asked that the letter accompanying the grant should include an expression of the Parish Council's disappointment that the football club were still not meeting their financial commitments with respect to the Recreation Ground and a request that steps should be taken to ensure that they did.

Cllr I Whiteley re-joined the meeting and resumed the Chair.

8. Dates of Next Meetings

15 March (Annual Parish Meeting); 22 March (Council); 5 April (Policy & General Purposes Committee).

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Resolved: That, in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it was advisable in the public interest that the press and public be excluded and they were instructed to withdraw.

There were no members of the public to leave the meeting.

9. Felling of Trees in Memorial Park

Two quotes in relation to the felling of four diseased trees were considered.

Resolved: The contract to the value of £950 was awarded to SMN Trees.

10. Raised Bed Site Fencing

Two quotes in relation to the purchase of the replacement picket fencing for the raised bed allotment site were considered.

Resolved: The quote of £278.40 from J H Mayor & Sons was accepted and approved.

11. Removal of Fly Tipping

Resolved: The Committee approved the inclusion of Mr Tom Bannister on the Parish Council's approved suppliers list for the purpose of removing fly tipping and delegated authority to the Clerk to make decisions with regard to his hire, when necessary.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the Meeting at 8:02 pm.

Chairman