

FINANCE AND RISK ASSESSMENT SUB-COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Sub-Committee was held on the 28th September 2016.

Present: Councillor C. Smith (Chairman), Councillors T. Banks, L. Billau and W. Murdoch.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors V. Bowles.

Peter Goulding (Parish Clerk) was in attendance.

7. Income and Expenditure

Members considered the Council's financial transactions to the 15th September 2016. Each budget head demonstrates that the level of activity is within approved estimates.

RECOMMENDED that the report be noted.

8. Grant Applications

The Carlton Newsletter Group has thanked the Parish Council for the revised level of grant aid which will enable the publication to continue in its present form.

9. Council Tax/Precepts

The Association of Parish Councils is to make representation to Central Government against any proposals to cap Parish Council Precept requirements in a similar way in which Principal Local Authorities (County and District Council's) have been capped. In recent years, Central Government has allowed Parish Council's to determine Council Tax Levels without any form of restriction and it is likely that this arrangement will be reconsidered in the near future.

ENVIRONMENTAL WORKING PARTY

A meeting of the Working Party was held on 28th September 2016.

Present: Councillor C. Smith (Chairman), Councillors T. Banks, L. Billau, C. Connolly, S. Jackson and A. Williams.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors B. & V. Bowles.

Peter Goulding (Parish Clerk) was in attendance.

9. A60 Highway – Burial Ground Improvement Works

Members were reminded that the work will be undertaken in November 2016.

10. Tree Work - Churchyard

Some work is required on trees at the Churchyard to improve access for visitors. The Clerk has spoken to Church representatives who have indicated that many of the trees are subject to Tree Preservation Orders. Enquiries are being made to ascertain what might be allowed in order to solve existing access difficulties.

11. Work at Youth Centre

The Youth Centre Committee is recommending acceptance of a quote for the refurbishment of toilet facilities at the Centre. The Clerk will report to the Council.

12. Grasscutting

The Contractor is trying to programme the finalization of grassing work for the current season so as to avoid the need for an extra cut arising from mild weather conditions.