

MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE ON 7 JULY 2025

Present Cllrs F King (Chairman), E Best, P Dodgson, S Skinner; J McClung, Clerk/RFO
Cllr V Buosi (present from agenda item 25/F/017 onwards)

25/F/011 **Apologies for Absence**

25/F/012 **Declarations of Interest**

- Cllr Best - agenda item 25/F/015
- Cllr King & Cllr Best - agenda item 25/F/017

25/F/013 **Minutes of the Previous Meeting of the Committee** *Appendix 1*

The minutes of the meeting on 7 April 2025 were approved by the Committee and signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record.

25/F/014 **Financial Matters** *Appendices 2-5*

- a) Members received and approved the bank reconciliation to 30 June 2025.
- b) Members received and approved a detailed report on expenditure v budget to 30 June 2025.
- c) Members received and reviewed a summary of Ear Marked Reserves to 30 June 2025. It was noted that the YFS funding received for the new playground equipment will be moved from General Reserve to EMR – Playground before the invoice is paid.

25/F/015 **WHPC Community Grants Applications** *Appendices 6-7*

- a) Members received a summary of community grant applications received to 30 June 2025.
- b) Members discussed each application and agreed to recommend the following outcomes to Full Council for approval on 15 July 2025:
 - West Horsley Place Trust to be awarded a grant of £1500
 - St Mary's Church to be awarded a grant of £2000
 - West Horsley Evening WI to be awarded a grant of £100
 - Friends of Horsley Station to be asked to re-apply for a grant if/when they have a specific costed project that requires funding
 - Air Ambulance Service to receive a donation of £500 (an increase of £150 to the £350 allocated in the Council's 25/26 budget).
- c) Members reviewed the WHPC Community Grants awarded in 2024. It was noted that all projects for which funding was given have been completed, with the exception of the Horsley Heritage Group's (HHG) blue plaques project. This is because permission to install plaques on listed buildings was not granted by Guildford Borough Council. A costed report on HHG's alternative project - to launch a website and install small blue roundels at properties of local historic interest - will be requested. Members will then consider whether a partial return of the 2024 grant is appropriate, taking the Council's Community Grants Policy in to account.

25/F/016 **Other Grants** *Appendix 10*

- a) It was agreed that the Parish Council will let local organisations know that Community Foundation for Surrey has a new tranche of funding available.
- b) Applications for the SCC Your Councillor Community Fund are now being accepted. Full Council to consider any new projects or assets that would benefit the community for which funding might be awarded.

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25/F/017 **Renewal of Garden Maintenance Contract** *Appendix 11*

- a) Members discussed the renewal of the Parish Council's Garden Maintenance Contract. The 2022-25 contract specification was reviewed and several minor amendments agreed.
- b) It was agreed that the contract renewal would be advertised through the usual WHPC channels.

25/F/018 **Renewal of the Lease of Land to Horsley and Send Cricket Club (HSCC)**

Members reviewed the contract and noted that a Deed of Variation relating to the lease of the premises at HSCC was signed on 26 November 2013 for a 30-year term.

It was noted that in 2024 the Cricket Club were in discussions with Horsley Football Club (HFC) about 'out of season' use of the land. Members agreed to chase HSCC for early sight of a draft licence between the two clubs, for which the Council's approval will be required.

25/F/019 **Date of Next Finance Committee Meetings**

Finance Committee - Monday 6 October at 8.45am in the Rubin Room

25/F/110 **Any Other Matters**

None

The meeting was closed at 9.52am.

Signed by the Chairman of the Finance Committee as a true and accurate record:

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Date:

Chairman's Initials: _____