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Minutes

Meeting of : Finance and Governance Committee
Date : 11 January 2021
Meeting held : Via Microsoft Teams
Commencing at : 6:30 pm

Present:

Chair: Cllr K Daley

Vice Chair: Cllr Dr M McClelland

Cllrs: S Berry, D Brown OBE, S Hocking, L Sirman and I Tomes

Also present: Cllrs T Corbin, A Hoque, S Jackson and J Walsh

Officers: Annie Child, Thomas Simpkins and Estelle Sherry

650. Apologies:

650.1. Apologies were received by Cllr C Corbin, who was substituted by Cllr T Corbin

650.2. Due to technical difficulties, Cllr M Osment was absent from the meeting.

651. Public Questions/Statement Time:

There were no questions or statements submitted from the public.

652. Councillor Questions/Statement Time:

There were no questions or statements submitted from councillors.

653. Minutes of Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the last meeting of the Finance and Governance Committee held on 2 November 2020 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

654. Declarations of Interest:

No declarations of interest were received.

655. Dispensations:

No dispensations were requested.

656. Chairman's Announcements:

The Chairman made no announcements.

657. Working Group Updates:

657.1. Cllr Berry, Chairman of the Land and Properties Working Group (L&PWG) provided a verbal update to the committee. Cllr Berry reported that the L&PWG have met once since the Finance and Governance Committee last met. Cllr Berry updated the committee that the dilapidations negotiations on 47 Blue Boar Row are currently progressing slowly. Whilst mentioning that the group are currently awaiting planning permission on 18 College Street before taking the property to market. Cllr Berry concluded his report mentioning that the L&PWG have included funds for the next three years to prepare a property strategy for the council. This strategy will cover all the City Council's buildings and land ownership, looking at their condition, their usage and the associated budgets.

657.2. Cllr Berry, Chairman of the Assets of Community Value Working Group (ACVWG) noted that this group has not met recently, and therefore he had no report to make.

658. Quarter Three Budget Monitoring:

The Committee received the report which introduces the Revenue and Capital Budget Monitoring Reports of the Council, for the period 1 April 2020 to 31 December 2020 (Quarter 3,) from the Responsible Finance Officer, and it was:

Resolved to:

- 658.1. Note the Revenue and Capital Budget Monitoring Reports for the end of Quarter 3.
- 658.2. Approve funding for the Environmental Working Group projects list for report.

659. Recommendations from Other Committees:

The Committee received a list of recommendations from other committees to consider and it was:

Resolved to:

- 659.1. Agree recommendation 252.1 which was agreed at the Services Committee meeting on 3 November 2020.
- 659.2. Agree recommendation 633.3 which was agreed at the Personnel Committee meeting on 9 November 2020.
- 659.3. Agree recommendation 641.3 which was agreed at the Services Committee meeting on 7 December 2020.

660. Budget Setting 2021/22:

The Committee received the Capital and Revenue Budget Setting 2021/22 report, from the Responsible Finance Officer, and it was:

Resolved to:

- 660.1. Approve the proposed revenue and capital budgets and fees and charges for 2021/22 as set out in the report and its appendices.
- 660.2. Recommend to Full Council on the 18 January 2021, a precept of £3,050,792.

661. Health and Safety Policy

The Committee reviewed the extant Health and Safety policy which was adopted at the Finance and Governance Committee on 13 January 2020, and it was:

Resolved to:

- 661.1. Approve and note the policy.

662. Matters, if any, which by reason of special circumstances the Chairman decides should be considered as a matter of urgency:

No matters were raised.

2 member of the public was present.

0 members of the press were present.

The meeting closed at 18:55pm.