

Minutes for the Parish Council Meeting held on 8th December 2020 virtually via Zoom meetings commencing at 7.15pm

Present: Councillors Jenkins (chair), Atkinson, Butler, Corrigan, Daw, Hemamda, Lazare

Clerk: Helen Savery 4 Members of the Public

2020/243 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Field.

2020/244 Declarations of Interest

- (a) Councillor Atkinson declared an interest in Agenda item 3(c) in relation to grants for the Abingdon Damascus Youth Project.
- (b) There were no written dispensation requests.

2020/245

The Chairman advised that the agenda for the finance meeting did not include a section for public participation, but in view of the public present, it was resolved that the public could participate if required relating to their grant applications.

2020/246 Budget 2021/2022

Council carefully considered the current balances, the likely balances at the year end and the budget for 2021/22.

Councillor Atkinson left the room during discussion about grants to be awarded during the 2021/22. Councillor Corrigan mentioned that she may be taking over the running of the Sutton Courtenay News and did not join in the discussion relating to this grant application.

Discussion took place in relation to the reclaiming of a £3,000 grant paid to the primary school in respect of a "pod" building which has not been purchased. It is understood that work should be beginning by the end of this financial year.

Following discussion it was

RESOLVED:

- (i) that unspent sums from 2020/21 be taken into reserves.
- (ii) that grants be awarded to local organisations as set out in the budget sheet attached to these minutes
- (iii) that a precept of £75,694.00 be set for the 2021/22 financial year.

2020/247 Recreation ground

An additional agenda item had been requested and agreed in relation to the reopening of the play area at the recreation ground. It was discussed and agreed and

RESOLVED:

that the play area soft pour surface should be professionally cleaned if such cleaning could be undertaken before Christmas. The clerk was delegated to authorise the work up to the cost of £1,000 plus VAT. The working group are to liaise with the football club in relation to reimbursement for water required to carry out the clean

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2020/248 Date of Next meeting

The next meeting will take place on Monday 5th January 2021 at 7.15pm via Zoom meetings.