

Abbots Langley Parish Council

Minutes of the Finance & Administration Committee Meeting held on Monday 29th November 2021 at 6:00 pm in the Council Offices Langley Road, Abbots Langley.

Those Present:

Chairman:	Councillor Liz Burns
Councillors	Councillor Jane Lay Councillor Robin Powell Councillor Owen Roe Councillor John Swallow
Officers:	Isabel Montesdeoca - Clerk to the Council Gail Kiely - Finance Officer Jayshree Patel - Finance Officer & Deputy Clerk

The meeting opened at 6:00pm.

237. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received, accepted and recorded from Councillors Sara Bedford and Fran Deschampsneufs.

238. Declarations of Interest

None.

239. Public Participation

No members of the public had expressed an interest in addressing the Parish Council.

240. To confirm the Minutes of the previous meeting

It was proposed by Councillor Liz Burns, seconded by Councillor Robin Powell and RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 25th October 2021, copies of which had been sent to all Members of the Parish Council and which had been adopted by the Council, be taken as read and were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

241. Internal Audit 2021-2022

Members considered and discussed the Internal Auditor's report for 2021-2022 and noted no significant matters were raised.

The Clerk was asked to write to Auditing Solutions confirming the review and to bring the review to the attention of the Parish Council.

It was proposed by Councillor Liz Burns, seconded by Councillor Jane Lay and RESOLVED that this committee recommends approval and acceptance of this report at the next Parish Council meeting.

242. Budget 2021-2022

Members considered the latest revision of the budget book (v2a) and discussed the Clerk's report.

i. Members noted the Band D Base number will not be available from Three Reivers until mid-December and therefore there has been no change has been made to the 2.5% precept at this stage.

ii. Members discussed the 6% RPI and 12% energy cost increases which will impact expenditure next year and asked the Clerk to reflect these increases in the next revision of the budget to be considered at the next meeting and before setting the level of Precept for 2022-2023.

243. Electric Vehicles

Members considered the report from the Facilities Manager. Members thanked the

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Facilities Manager for his research and discussed the timescales and options available.

It was proposed by Councillor Liz Burns, seconded by Councillor John Swallow and RESOLVED that the charging points and replacement of the Volkswagen Caddy with an Electric Vehicle equivalent to the research shared be implemented as soon as possible.

The meeting closed at 6.35 pm.

Signed: _____

Dated: _____