

Minutes of the meeting of the Resources Committee held in the Council Chamber, Civic Hall Square, Shildon, Co Durham on Monday, 14th February 2022.

Present: Councillor D Reynolds in the Chair
Councillors K Ambrosini, J Graham, A Farlow, M Johnson, F Langley, D Bell, R A Nicholson and D L Mather.

R 64/21 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors P Quinn, S Quinn, N Hanratty, H M Hanratty, L Deakin, D Childs and S Townsend.

R 65/21 Declarations of Interest

Councillor A Farlow declared an interest in item 4 – Grant Aid and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon.

R 66/21 Budgetary Control Statement for January 2022

Members were provided with the budgetary control statement for the month of January which indicated an overall underspend of almost £90k which remained in line with the projected outturn position identified during the consideration of the draft 2022/23 budget.

Recommended that the report be received.

R 67/21 Grant Aid

Recommended that the following grants be approved under the Parish Councils (General Power of Competence) (Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012 introduced by Sections 1-8 of the Localism Act 2011:-

- Shildon Alive £50

R 68/21 Accounts

Recommended that the accounts awaiting payment and accounts paid in advance for the month of January 2022 in the sum of £63,319.55 be approved.

R 69/21 Bank Reconciliations

Recommended that the bank reconciliations as of 31st January 2022 be noted and confirmed.

R 70/21 Replacement Telephony System

The Town Clerk presented information and quotes to Members on a replacement telephony system for the Town Council Offices in order to deliver a better service to the community as the current analogue system was not supported by a provider and parts for the system were obsolete.

Quotes had been obtained from three providers for a cloud based hosted IP solution.

Signed
Chairman.....

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It was proposed by Councillor D L Mather and seconded by Councillor A Farlow

Recommended that: -

- a. a new telephone system for the Town Council Offices be approved.
- b. a one off payment for the capital cost of the equipment be made from an underspend on the existing revenue budget 2021/22.
- c. the contract be awarded to Company C in terms of a lower capital output cost, a higher number of minutes per month and providing an overall saving of £216 over a 60 month contract.

Signed
Chairman.....