

The following reports and financial information for April 2020 were considered for approval or acceptance in the absence of a face to face meeting of the Town Council.

Councillors A Walker, J Graham, A Farlow, M Johnson, D Childs, J G Huntington, L Cockfield, D Reynolds, S Townsend, R A Anderson, D L Mather, N Hanratty, H M Hanratty, L Deakin, K Ambrosini, P Quinn and S Quinn.

1. Budgetary Control Statement

The Town Clerk advised that the budgetary control statement for the year to the end of March indicated an overall underspend of £21k.

There would be a number of year end adjustments required for the preparation of the final accounts but there was no indication that the outturn position estimated during the preparation of the 2020/21 Budget would not be achieved.

Agreed that the report be received and accepted.

2. Accounts

Agreed that the accounts awaiting payment and accounts paid in advance for the month of March 2020 in the sum of £69,433.78 be approved.

3. Bank Reconciliations

Members noted the bank reconciliations as at 31st March 2020.

Agreed that the bank reconciliations as at 31st March 2020 be noted and accepted.

4. Civic Hall Report

Members were advised of the trading position for the month of March.

Agreed that the report be received and accepted.

5. The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) Regulations 2020

Members were provided with a report on the above Regulations which contained the main provisions within the Regulations concerning remote meetings and appointments. Members were requested to determine their preferred option detailed within the report.

Option 1 9 votes

Option 2 8 votes

Agreed that Option 1 that all positions currently held within the Town Council, ie Town Mayor etc remain until May 2021.

6. Accounts and Audit Regulations

Agreed that the report be received and accepted.