# Twyford Parish Council Finance & General Purposes Committee Agenda

A meeting of the Committee will be held at 7.45pm on **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2022** at Twyford Room, Loddon Hall, RG10 9JA.

- 1. Public Questions
- 2. Apologies
- 3. Declaration of interest in items on the agenda
- 4. Minutes of the meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2022
- 5. Matters arising and action points
- 6. Clerk's Report
  - 6.1 Bank balances as at the end of February 2022 (one drive folder to note)
  - 6.2 VAT return for February 2022 (one drive folder to note)
  - 6.3 Henderson Investment Statement (one drive folder to note)
  - 6.4 Unity Trust report on charges for a T2 account
    [15p per transaction £26.40 September charge & £53.40 December charge]
  - 6.5 Review of signatory arrangements [note: the current signatories are: Mr J Bowley, Mrs B Ditcham, Mr J Jarvis, Mr R Mantel, Mr T Winchester & Mr C Wickenden]
  - 6.6 Internal Audit progress update
    - 6.6.1 To consider amending the Financial Regulations 11.1 (b) to the NALC recommended £25,000 tender threshold.
    - 6.6.2 To consider amending the Financial regulations (payments) to include appointment of RFO for credit card usage. [one drive folder]
    - 6.6.3 To consider adopting a credit card usage policy [one drive folder]
    - 6.6.4 To consider amending the standing orders 18 (a) v contracts for tendering limit from £60,000 to £25,000.
  - 6.7 NALC Salary Award 2021/22 backdated to 01.04.21 (1.75% increase)
  - 6.8 BT receipt of dividends £24.03

6.9 SSL safety certificate for website  $\pounds 25 - \text{need}$  to move email accounts and then the package can be upgraded to Ignight Boost package  $\pounds 7$  per month which includes a SSL certificate for the first year. [Currently paying  $\pounds 6.14 \text{ p/m}$ ]

- 6.10 Data Protection Regulations update
- 6.11 Review & approve Asset Register (one drive folder)
- 6.12 Covid risk assessment
- 6.13 (one drive folder)

## 7. Clerk Annual Review

7.1 Draft appraisal policy (Sent to JB tracked changes – 14.02.22 & 01.03.22) [One drive folder]

## 8. Documentation of Part 2 (confidential) discussions

8.1 To make a recommendation to approve the amended Standing Orders [one drive folder]

9. Quarterly internal checks (JD & RM) – date to be arranged

## 10. Review of Policies

10.1 Investment policy (JJ - One Drive Folder)

10.2 Code of Conduct – to consider adopting the LGA model code 2020 (one drive folder)

## 11. Grant Requests [one drive folder]

- 11.1 TRHA
- 11.2 Keep Mobile \*note second grant application in the year

## 12. Correspondence

12.1 Royal County of Berkshire Pension Fund - Employer newsletter - Winter 2021/22

12.2 Invitation to the Royal County of Berkshire Pension Fund Employer Meeting 2022

#### 13. Items to be considered from other Committees

- 13.1 Planning and Amenities 01.03.22
- 13.2 Parish Lands 08.03.22

#### 14. Staffing Matters

- 14.1 Assistant Clerk annual review (one drive folder)
- 14.2 HR advice on staff contracts
- **15. Date of next meeting -** 19<sup>th</sup> April 2022

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