

BRANDON & BYSHOTTLES PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD IN COUNCIL OFFICES, 6 GOATBECK TERRACE, LANGLEY MOOR,
DURHAM ON TUESDAY 9TH JANUARY 2018, AT 7.00 PM**

PRESENT

**Councillor Bell (in the Chair)
and Councillors Mrs Bonner, Clegg, Mrs Clough, Jamieson, Nelson, Mrs. Nelson, Sims,
Turnbull and Mrs. Wharton.**

Fin. 24 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Turnbull declared an interest in Carrside Youth & Community Project.

Fin. 25 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs. Catterson, Mrs. Chaplow, Mrs. Gates, Richardson and Mrs. Rodgers.

RESOLVED: To receive the apologies.

Fin. 26 ACCOUNT BALANCE AT 30TH NOVEMBER 2017

Approval was requested for the account balance as at 30th November 2017.

RESOLVED: To approve the balances.

Fin. 27 ESTIMATES/ ACTUALS AS AT 30TH NOVEMBER 2017

Approval was requested for estimates/ actuals as at 30th November 2017.

RESOLVED: To approve the estimates/ actuals.

Fin. 28 WARD ESTIMATES/ ACTUALS AS AT 30TH NOVEMBER 2017

Approval was requested for ward estimates/ actuals as at 30th November 2017.

RESOLVED: To approve the ward estimates/ actuals at 30 November 2017.

Fin. 29 **UNPRESENTED CHEQUES**

The Clerk reported that the following cheque was still unpresented:

Cheque no. 209944 5.7.2017 Transcendit 130.80

RESOLVED: To contact Transcendit before cancelling the cheque at the bank and re-issue if necessary.

Fin. 30 **BUDGET 2018/19**

The Members considered the draft budget report and appendices for 2018/19 in particular the continuation of support to Brandon Carrside Youth & Community Project and the implication of the costs related to implementation of the new General Data Protection Regulations on the Council. After much discussion the following recommendations were made:

- To request that Carrside include details of their fundraising activities and training courses in their monthly reports
- To write to the 5 Unitary councillors requesting a contribution of at least £2,500 each towards the provision of Brandon Carrside Youth & Community Project in order to keep the Council's precept increase down to approximately 2%. Depending on the outcome of this request the Council would confirm the precept at the full council meeting.
- To include £2,000 in 2018/19 budget to add to reserves for future election costs.
- To limit the spending on provision of dog bags to £4,540 for 2018/19.
- To include £2,000 in the budget for the provision of a Data Protection Officer's service.

RESOLVED: To recommend approval of the budget taking account of the above recommendations.

Fin. 31 **WARD BUDGET 2018/19**

The Members considered the draft ward budget for 2018/19.

RESOLVED: To recommend approval of the budget.

Fin. 32 **ACCOUNT PROJECTIONS 2018/19**

Members considered the account projections for 2018/19, which would be amended to take account of alterations to budget.

RESOLVED: To recommend approval of revised account projections.


Fin. 33

PRECEPT 2018/19

The Clerk would provide updated options for the precept given the above recommendations and

RESOLVED: To recommend that the Council approve the final precept at the full Council meeting on 19th January 2018.

The meeting closed at 8.00 pm.

Signed 

Date 19/1/18.