

Aylesford Parish Council

Finance Advisory Sub Committee

Minutes of the Meeting held on 28 May 2019

Present: Councillor Shelley (Chairman) and Councillors Balcombe, Ms Dorrington, Mrs Gadd, Gledhill, Ludlow, Ms Oyewusi, Rillie, Smith, Walker, Williams, Winnett, and Wright.

In Attendance: Neil Harris (Clerk)

Apologies: Councillors Hammond and Sullivan

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies of Absence from Councillors Hammond (TMBC Meeting), and Sullivan (Personal commitment) were received, and the reasons for absence agreed.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest additional to those contained in the Register of Members Interests.

3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 23 April 2019

It was **Agreed** that the Minutes of the meeting held on 23 April 2019 be approved as a correct record and signed.

4. Section 137 Donation Requests

It was noted that there were no Section 137 donation requests

5. Hall Grants/Loans – Walderslade Baptist Church

The Clerk reported that the Council had received a request from the Walderslade Baptist Church to fund a projector and wireless microphone system at a cost of approximately £714 from their Hall grant. The Church currently had only £555.41 left of their grant for this financial year and have requested that this be released to fund these items and that the local members be asked if they would consider funding the remainder from their Micro Grants. The remaining amount is £158.59.

It was **Agreed** to fund the purchase of a projector and wireless microphone system at a cost of £714 from the remaining Hall grant budget, a sum of £555.41 and the remaining amount of £158.59 equally from the micro grants of the Waldersalde ward members.

6. Hall Grant/Loans – Eccles Church Hall

The Clerk reported that a verbal request had been received for the purchase of a fridge for use at the Church Hall. There were sufficient funds within the Hall grant budget for the Eccles Church Hall.

It was **Agreed** to fund the purchase of a fridge for Eccles Church Hall up to a cost of £250 from the Eccles Church Hall Grant.

7. Section 137 Micro Grant Requests

It was noted that there were no Section 137 Micro Grant requests.

8. Banking

The Clerk reported that the position with the Metro Bank had improved in that they had been able to raise £375m in new funds to bolster its finances which had also resulted in the share price increasing.

It was **Agreed** that the Clerk should continue with his actions in seeking to open a second current account which would be used in support of the Metro account.

9. Internal Audit Report

The Clerk reported that the latest Internal Audit Report had been received which had raised no issues and had no recommendations for action.

It was **Agreed** to note the report.

10. Duration of Meeting

8.22pm to 8.36pm