

WELLS CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AT WELLS TOWN HALL ON WEDNESDAY
11TH DECEMBER 2013 AT 7.00PM

PRESENT: Cllrs: T Robbins (Chairman); D Anderson (Vice Chairman);
M Brandon; C Briton (Deputy Mayor); T Butt Philip (the Mayor);
C Price.

IN ATTENDANCE: Town Clerk: F White; RFO: S Luck.

13/110F APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

J North; G Wilson.

13/111F DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

13/112F MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13TH NOVEMBER 2013

Minutes of the previous meeting were proposed, seconded, approved and signed.
Matter Arising: 13/102ii: Nothing further had been heard from Cllr North regarding the report on the Recreation Ground.

13/113F MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC None present.

13/114F FINANCIAL REPORT To receive the financial reports for November 2013. The accounts had been scrutinised and bank statements checked, prior to the meeting. The accounts for November 2013 were proposed, seconded and approved. Councillors noted that Town Hall lettings have continue to do well.

13/115F WINTER GRIT BIN To consider request from Cllr Osman.

Quotes were received.

It was agreed to purchase a winter grit bin to be placed in Kippax Road subject to SCC Highways finding a position for it and confirming that they will service it.

It was proposed, seconded and agreed that a batch of up to ten winter grit bins be purchased, (LGA 1972 S137) subject to confirmation by SCC Highways that they can service some more bins; it was also agreed that the purchase might be made in partnership with St Cuthbert Out Parish Council, following representations from Cllr Briton. Members were in agreement that the expenditure would be commensurate with the benefit to parishioners.

13/116F ROOM CHARGES

To report schedule of Town Hall room charges for 2014 -15.

The current schedule of charges was presented for members comments.

13/117F COURT ROOM DEVELOPMENT Up-date.

Final works are now being carried out. There were no queries to the budget report sheet distributed at the previous meeting.

13/118F PROPERTY LEASES Up-date.

Exclude the press and public: Due to the confidential nature of the business to be considered, relating to contracts and legal matters, it was proposed by the Chairman that a resolution be passed under the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, as amended, to exclude the press and public:
RESOLVED.

A confidential report was presented, a vote was taken and recommendations were approved.

13/119F MATTERS OF URGENT REPORT

In answer to questions, the Town Clerk and RFO confirmed that there has been no contact to the City Council from the Church Commissioners regarding the Moat Walk maintenance contract. It is understood that the contract remains with Mendip District Council and that works are in progress.

13/120F DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 7 pm Thursday 9th January 2014.