

WELLS CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER 2021 AT 7:00PM IN WELLS TOWN HALL

PRESENT: Cllrs: L Agabani (Vice-chair), S Powell, T Robbins, P Welch (Mayor)

IN ATTENDANCE: Town Clerk/RFO, S Luck
Town Clerk Assistant, C Woodland
6 Members of the public

21/81F **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Cllrs S Cursley (Chair), J Osman, N Kennedy

21/82F **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To receive Councillors' Declarations of Interests, made under the Council's Code of Conduct adopted 26th July 2012.

Cllr Robbins and Cllr Welch (Mayor) declared a personal interest in agenda item 6.4
Cllr Agabani declared a personal and prejudicial interest in item 6.4 as a supporter of the organisation

21/83F **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 8TH JULY 2021:**

Minutes of the previous meeting were proposed, seconded, approved for signing by the Chair.

21/84F **MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC**

Representatives from Wells Lions, SWEDA, Wells Cricket Club, Wells Jazz Collective, Wells Rugby Club and the International Music Exchange all gave a small presentation and answered questions from Members to support their grant application.

21/85F **FINANCE REPORT**

To receive the Finance Reports for August 2021
The bank statements were checked prior to the meeting by Cllr T Robbins.
The Town Clerk/RFO answered questions from members on the accounts.
The accounts for August were proposed, seconded and approved.

21/86F **GRANT APPLICATIONS**

- i. Wells Lions Tree of Light
A £250 grant was proposed, seconded and approved
- ii. Somerset and Wessex Eating Disorders Association (SWEDA)
A £500 grant was proposed, seconded and approved
- iii. Wells Cricket Club
A £500 grant was proposed, seconded and approved
- iv. Wells Jazz Collective
Cllr Agabani left the room.
A £500 grant was proposed, seconded and approved
Cllr Agabani returned.
- v. Wells Rugby Club
A £500 grant was proposed, seconded and approved
- vi. Golden Oldies
As no representatives were present at the meeting it was proposed, seconded and agreed to ask them to re-submit their application.

- vii. Wells Vineyard Foodbank
As no representatives were present at the meeting it was proposed, seconded and agreed to ask them to re-submit their application.
- viii. International Music Exchange
A £480 grant was proposed, seconded and approved.

21/87F PROPERTIES UPDATE

The Town Clerk updated members on the non-payment of two rents. It was agreed to instruct the Council's solicitors to continue to pursue the outstanding debt.

21/88F ANY MATTERS OF URGENT REPORT

The Town Clerk / RFO was thanked for the finance training he had provided at the meeting last month.

21/89F DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Thursday 14th October, 7pm

EXCLUDE THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

Note: It is necessary for matters to be considered in confidence, it was proposed by the Chair that a resolution be passed under the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 as amended to allow a private property report.

Minutes signed by The Chair: **Date:**