

Minutes of the **RESOURCES COMMITTEE** held on **WEDNESDAY 29th March 2023** at **6.00pm** at **Ferryhill Town Hall**.

PRESENT: Councillor: Councillors K Conroy (Chair)
C Atkinson, P Atkinson, C Bihari, D. Farry, J Makepeace

Officials: D. Anderson, Town Clerk
K. Younghusband, Events & Projects Officer
S. Hewitson, Committees & Civic Administrator

R.43.22-23 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor P Donald, L Fellows and S Jones.

Councillor K Tinkler was not present, but no apologies were received.

R.44.22-23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors P Atkinson, C Bihari and D Farry declared an interest in agenda item 7 – Enhanced Football Facilities.

Councillor Farry declared an interest in agenda item 9 – Rental Property, Market Place, Ferryhill.

R.45.22-23 MEMBERS DISPENSATION

There were no members dispensations in relation to any item of business on the agenda.

R.46.22-23 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present.

R.47.22-23 STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS AND INCOME

Consideration was given to the Statement of Accounts & Income which had previously been circulated.

RESOLVED

That the Statement of Accounts & Income be received.

R.48.22-23 MEMBERS INITIATIVE FUND

Consideration was given to a report which had been previously circulated. Mrs Karen Younghusband was in attendance to answer any questions.

Moved by Councillor D Farry, **Seconded by** Councillor J Makepeace that a report be brought back to Council to show Officer time/costs involved to administer the MIF Fund.

A named vote was requested:

FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
D Farry	C Atkinson		P Donald
J Makepeace	P Atkinson		L Fellows
	C Bihari		S Jones
	K Conroy		K Tinkler
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The proposal was defeated.

Councillor C Bihari questioned if there is a minimum spend for Members, Mrs Younghusband confirmed that the minimum spend is £100 and this is stated on the application form, Members agreed that this be added to the policy.

RESOLVED

That:

1. Members agree that the Members Initiative Fund grant scheme continues.
2. The Members Initiative Fund Policy be approved with the amendments proposed in the report to section 3.8 and with the inclusion of a new section 4.13 as well as the inclusion of a minimum spend for each Councillor of £100.

R.49.22-23 ENHANCED FOOTBALL FACILITIES, DEAN BANK PARK

As three members had declared an interest in this item, leaving only 3 members to discuss it would mean the meeting wouldn't be quorate. Members agreed that this item should be deferred to the next available meeting which would be full Council on 5th April 2023.

RESOLVED

That this item be deferred to the full Council meeting being held on 5th April 2023.

R.50.22-23 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

That in accordance with the provision of Section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, as amended by Section 100 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Council do now exclude the public and press for the remaining items on the Agenda by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted since publicity would be prejudicial to public interest.

At this point Councillor D Farry left the meeting having declared an interest in the next item.

R.51.22-23 RENTAL PROPERTY, MARKET PLACE, FERRYHILL

The Clerk distributed an update report to members.

RESOLVED:

That the situation regarding the repairs be noted and the actions undertaken be endorsed.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 6.30pm

CERTIFIED AS A TRUE RECORD

CHAIR.....

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