

**PRESCOT TOWN COUNCIL**

A meeting of the **FINANCE, GENERAL PURPOSE AND HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE** for the **TOWN OF PRESCOT** was held on **THURSDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER 2020** via **ZOOM**, commencing at **6.04 P.M.**

**ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT**

Councillors M. Burke, I. Smith, C. Krelle, G. Wickens, T. Smith, T. Murray and J. Burke.

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE**

D. Wilson (Town Clerk)  
L. Sephton (Deputy Town Clerk)

**12. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Cllr L. Rigby.

**13. DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest received.

**14. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COMMITTEE MEETING**

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Finance, General Purpose and Human Resources Committee held on 16<sup>th</sup> July 2020 be agreed as a true and accurate record of the business transacted and signed by the Chair.

**15. MONTHLY BUDGET MONITORING STATEMENT**

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the budget monitoring statement up to the 30<sup>th</sup> September 2020.

**16. ORDERS AND PAYMENT AUTHORISATION**

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the payment list.

**17. FACILITIES BOOKINGS**

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **NOTE** the booking sheet provided.

18. **ONLINE SHOPPING SUPPORT PILOT**

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the recommendations being:

1.1 Using the powers granted under the Local Government Act 1972 s112 members are asked to

- Approve the pilot Online Shopping Support Scheme

19. **TOWN CLERKS ANNUAL APPRAISAL**

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **AGREE** the recommendations being:

3.1 It is recommended that members note the appraisal outcome and the priorities for the coming year.

20. **TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY**

Following consideration of the recommendations below it was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **AGREE** a medium-term deposit using Option 2 as outlined in appendix 1.

7.1 Using the powers granted under the Local Government Act 2003 s 15(1)(a) members should consider the investment strategy as outlined in appendix 1, the current level of uncertainty with regard to the COVID 19 pandemic, the potential call on reserves and agree an appropriate action, which could be to

A - place money on long term deposit

B - make an unscheduled repayment against the public works loan

C - maintain existing reserves until the new financial year

21. **JOB SUPPORT SCHEME**

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **AGREE** to **DEFER** the report to the Town Council meeting taking place on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2020.

The meeting closed at 6.40 p.m.

Dated: 14<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Signed:   
(Cllr C Krelle – Chair of Finance, General Purpose and Human Resources Committee)