

## MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE HELD 5 APRIL 2022

**Councillors Present:** Cllr Maggie Allingham, Cllr Ian Corben, Cllr Jim Mitchell, Cllr Derek Pretty (Chair), Cllr John Shepherd, Cllr Jane Welsh

**P1100 Apologies:** Cllr Keith House, Cllr Pat Jenkins, Cllr Cliff Morris

**P1101 To consider the Minutes of the meeting held 1 March 2022.**

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 1 March 2022 be signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

### Matters Arising

None not already on the agenda.

**P1102 Correspondence**

Cllrs had received information regarding additional funding available for outreach youth provision. **RESOLVED: Cllrs agreed that we would not bid on this occasion for HETC to deliver but we would like an alternative provider to deliver in our area i.e Youth Options.**

**P1103 S137 Grants**

Cllrs received a summary of the S137 Grant applications. Cllrs discussed the applications, and a suggestion was made to reduce all grants by 50%. This option was subsequently dismissed as the criteria and applications were looked at in more depth. There was a discussion on the Flower Club not having stated beneficiaries within the Hedge End area, concerns were raised about S137 funding being used for people out of parish which does not meet the legislation. Cllrs also then looked at the breakdown in provision across the age ranges to see if this was proportionate. Cllrs noted that this round would use all of the available budget and future grant applications would be precluded from later rounds. **RESOLVED: Cllrs agreed the following projects and amounts:**

- **8<sup>th</sup> Hedge End Rainbows - £300**
- **31<sup>st</sup> Itchen North Sea Scouts - £500**
- **Hedge End Flower Club - £200**
- **Hedge End Lunch Club - £1,000**

**Cllrs agreed not to fund Victim Support in this round.**

**P1104 FNP Residential**

Cllrs received the report on the proposal to hold a residential for the Friday Night Project with the request for additional funding for staff hours.

**RESOLVED: Cllrs agreed to fund the additional staff hours for the residential up to a value of £452.**

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**P1105 Taplin Pavilion**

Cllrs received the report on the referral from R&A regarding the future use of Taplin and a proposal to obtain a building condition report. **RESOLVED: Cllrs agreed to fund the condition survey which would enable the council to look at this again to discuss the way forward.**

**P1106 Hall Hire Fees & Charges**

Cllrs received the request to consider the fees applied to Eastleigh Borough Council for the HEWEB meeting as being disproportionate to other venues of a similar size and nature. Cllrs felt that this was the most central location for the meeting and would like to see it continue at the 2000 Centre. The Clerk outlined that it is a cost-effective hire as it needs limited resources since EBC do all the set up and pack away. **RESOLVED: Cllrs agreed to put HEWEB in the Local Group Rate banding. The Election costs will remain at the existing rate.**

**P1107 Vehicle Strategy**

Cllrs received the report regarding options for replacement vehicles and to provide a steer on how they would like this managed in the future. Cllrs discussed that we should be clear that where electric is an option that will be our preference. It was asked that we are clear in the policy that adoption of the electric will be where feasible and viable. Cllrs discussed the merits of purchasing over leasing recognising that leasing could be more expensive if the vehicles are not kept in pristine condition. Cllrs discussed purchasing used vehicles as their preference and suggested we talk to EBC or other councils about their fleet management and the potential to purchase used vehicles from them. Cllrs noted the rationale behind the cost per mile replacement as some vehicles are more reliable than others. Cllrs have an aspiration to replace a vehicle a year. **RESOLVED: Cllrs agreed that the policy should be electric where feasible and viable recognising that some vehicles won't be suitable or available in electric. It was agreed that we should purchase rather than lease. It was agreed that this would now be written into a strategy to form a management plan.**

**P1108 Clerks Update**

The Clerk updated the meeting on insurance, the broken boiler at Greta Park that has not been fixed pending the decision at R&A for the continued use of Greta as a football site. There was a discussion about the Market and increasing the trading provision. The Clerk also spoke about the upcoming options appraisal for the medical centre where HETC should be invited.

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There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 20.15 hours.