

**MINUTES OF THE GROBY PARISH COUNCIL
FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL OFFICES, LEICESTER ROAD, GROBY, LEICESTER
ON 29th JANUARY 2024 COMMENCING AT 2 PM**

Present: Cllr C Lincoln (Chair), Cllr S Beck, Cllr L Emmerson and Cllr C York

Also present: Parish Clerk

F&GP/076/23-24 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr N Clarke, Cllr T Hollick and Cllr C Mullins. It was **RESOLVED** to accept these apologies.

F&GP/077/23-24 Declarations of Interest / Dispensation Requests

There were none

F&GP/078/23-24 To approve the minutes of the Committee meeting held on 8th January 2024

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting held on 8th January 2024 be approved and signed as a true record.

Cllr Beck joined the meeting at 2.15pm

F&GP/079/23-24 Clerks Report

- i. To consider information received regarding the purchase of an induction loop system**
Additional information from an induction loop system supplier had been requested but not yet received. This item was deferred to a future meeting.

- ii. To discuss and consider the Cemetery Electricity Supplier contract**
The Clerk advised that the 3-year Contract for the electricity supply at the Cemetery would end on 31st March 2024. Further to speaking with electricity suppliers it was evident that any new prices were only valid on the day that they were quoted and could not be saved whilst awaiting a decision from Council.

It was **AGREED to RECOMMEND to Full Council** to delegate authority to the Clerk to agree a new electricity supply contract for the Cemetery at the most favourable time prior to the existing contract expiring.

- iii. To provide an update on potential Council website providers**
The Clerk advised that 2Commune who had provided a quotation for a new website and e-mail system had announced that it would be ceasing its website service on 31st March 2024. There were other sector suppliers, and these would now be approached for quotations / demonstrations. This was **NOTED**.

- iv. LRALC Training Course**
Members were advised of a new training course 'Committees, Sub-Committees and Working Groups' being run by LRALC.

Due to budget constraints, it was **AGREED to Recommend to Full Council** for the Clerk to attend the training course on 26th February 2024, at a cost of £40, and for this to be opened up to Councillors in the next financial year.

F&GP/080/23-24 Financial Reports

- i. The Income & Expenditure budget report and EMR report to 29th January 2024 were included in members' packs. These were verified and **NOTED**.**

- ii. The bank reconciliation and bank statement for December 2023 were included in members' packs. The bank reconciliation was **VERIFIED** and signed by two members.

F&GP/081/23-24 Payment of the accounts and income

The payment schedule was included in members' packs.

It was **AGREED TO RECOMMEND to Full Council** that the payment of accounts presented to the meeting be approved. Income was noted.

F&GP/082/23-24 Date and time of next meeting

The date of the next meeting is to be held on Monday 26th February 2024 at 2 pm.

The meeting closed at 2.45 p.m.

Signed:
Chairman

Date: