

MINUTES OF PLANNING AND FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 19th NOVEMBER
2024 AT 7.45PM at MILLFIELDS PAVILLION MILL WAY NEEDINGWORTH

PRESENT:

Cllr A Whyte (Chairman)
Cllr N Dyne
Cllr R Fountain
Cllr D Jackson
Cllr E MacPherson
Cllr E McNeill
Cllr C Pearce

IN ATTENDANCE:

Miss J Bowd (Parish Clerk)
No members of the public.

46. To Receive Apologies for Absence.

Cllr J Neish – personal
Cllr S Mortlock – personal
Cllr M Williamson - personal

47. To approve the minutes of the meetings held on 15th October 2024.

Resolved: That that the minutes are signed as a true and correct record. (Prop Cllr Whyte 2nd Cllr McNeill) 4 in favour, 3 abstentions.

48. To note declarations of interest relating to items on the agenda.

Cllr Pearce item 50.3 -wife is a member of staff
Cllr Jackson item 50.3 -wife is a member of staff

49. Planning:

49.1 To consider the following applications that have been **received**.

- (i) Application ref: 24/01994/FUL Removal of an existing jet wash bay and the installation of two new jet wash bays, plant room, air/water VAC machine and associated works.
Mecury Petrol Filling Station Needingworth Road St Ives PE27 4NB

Resolved: That the application be approved (Prop Cllr MacPherson 2nd Cllr Pearce) All in favour.

49.2 To note the following applications that have been **approved**:

- (i) Application ref:24/01659/TREE Beech Tree - Prune by 1m to clear power lines
St John The Baptist Church Holywell Front Holywell

Noted

- (ii) Application ref: 24/01534/HHFUL Single storey extension to side
18 High Street Needingworth St Ives PE27 4SA

Noted.

50. Finance:

50.1 To approve payments made within Clerk delegated powers relating to D Day 80 event May 2025.

Resolved: That the payment of £210 to last minute musicians be approved (Prop Cllr MacPherson 2nd Cllr Dyne) All in favour.

50.2 To approve accounts for payment on 21st November 2024.

Resolved: That payments totalling £4278.34 be approved (Prop Cllr Whyte 2nd Cllr McNeill) All in favour.

Cllr Pearce and Cllr Jackson leave the meeting 7.39pm

50.3 To approve salaries for payment on 25th November 2024.

Resolved: That salaries for November totalling £8342.65 and NI £2309.18 be approved (Prop Cllr Whyte 2nd Cllr MacPherson) All in favour

Cllr Pearce and Cllr Jackson return to meeting 7.40pm

50.4 To review correspondence regarding Spacenet.

Clerk confirmed that she had spoken to the insurer's legal helpdesk as at the time of installation and that a claim form is being sent for completion and return.

Clerk also advised that the ROSPA report (November 11th, 2024) still gives a "green" rating for the equipment which provides some peace of mind whilst this matter is ongoing.

50.5 To note the confirmation from SLCC "No Central Compensation for the Additional Costs of Employer's NIC"

Noted

50.6 To note the report on the damaged John Deere x354 and agree actions.

Cllr Whyte confirmed that Ben Burgess are agreeable to keeping the machine whilst Council decide what to do.

Cllr Pearce spoke to say that in his opinion Ben Burgess have a monopoly and that it is time to look elsewhere before deciding.

Resolved: Clerk to investigate all options and arrange trials if required. (Prop Cllr Pearce 2nd Cllr Whyte) All in favour.

51. To consider the requirement to publish Councillor details following NALC legal update November 2024.

Resolved: That this is a matter for individual choice. (Prop Cllr Whyte 2nd Cllr Pearce) All in favour.

52. Correspondence.

To note the following correspondence received and agree any actions.

- (i) To consider email from CCC regarding Capitally Funded Highway Maintenance Schemes and agree any sites for proposing.
- Cllr Pearce asked if lighting for Bluntisham Road junction with A1123 can be put forward along with suggestion from Cllr MacPherson that the cycle path from Needingworth to St. Ives is resurfaced.

Noted.

53. Items to report.

- Cllr Pearce expressed an opinion that changes to NI do not apply for businesses with under 5 employees.
- Clerk thanked Cllrs Mortlock and Jackson and Mrs A Jackson for helping with road closures for Remembrance day service.

Being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.12 pm

Chairman

Date