

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION
COMMITTEE HELD 6TH FEBRUARY 2018**

Councillors Present: Cllr. Margaret Allingham, Cllr. Ian Corben, Cllr. Jerry Hall, Cllr. Keith House, Cllr. David Kinloch, Cllr. Jim Mitchell, Cllr. Cliff Morris, Cllr. Derek Pretty (Chairman), Cllr. Ben Thomas, Cllr. Jane Welsh, Cllr. Chris Yates

F807 Apologies

Cllr. Shankerlal Sthankiya

F808 To consider the Minutes of the meeting held 11 January 2018

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 11 January 2018 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

F809 Correspondence

a) Lloyds Bank – Details on setting up a non-ring-fenced bank

F810 Matters to be Resolved

Approve BACS Hedge End Town Council Expenditure for January 2018

The Town Clerk reported on the latest bank balances and the financial position of the Town Council.

RESOLVED

That the Town Council approves the BACS Hedge End Town Council expenditure for January 2018

Approve package of works for Land Beyond Woodhouse Lane with Hampshire County Council

RESOLVED

That the Town Council is happy with the overall package proposed by Hampshire County Council with a payment of £12,603 towards on-going maintenance and planting of the woodland and that the Town Council would like a gate to be provided to facilitate the ongoing management and maintenance of the wood. That the Town Council would accept a single commuted sum payment from Hampshire County Council of £12,603 and the Town Council undertakes all the required works with the exception of the fencing. Clarity needs to be obtained as to the type of gate envisaged and the agreed suitable location for the placement of the gate.

F811 To update on HEYCA following meeting 15 January 2018

The Town Clerk advised that he met with the Chairman, Treasurer of HEYCA and the Local Area Manager, Julia Birt. He outlined the concept of the Town Council taking over the HEYCA building including the business and lettings and ultimately dissolving the management board. The Chairman and Treasurer were in favour of such a concept and would put this to the next meeting of the Management Board of HEYCA. The next meeting is on 6 February to which the Town Clerk will attend and explain the situation going

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forward. The only issue for debate is the legalities surrounding the residual balances held by the HEYCA in connection with their charity status and constitution.

RESOLVED

That the Town Council takes over the running of the HEYCA building including the business and lettings from the management board.

F812 Community Governance Review Update

The Town Clerk advised members that he has made the formal response to the current consultation being carried out by Eastleigh Borough Council as part of the Community Governance Review. The Town Clerk advised that it has come to his attention that Bursledon Parish Council has proposed the transfer of land north of the M27 ("BU1") to the Town Council. The Town Clerk has consulted with senior councillors and for the avoidance of doubt can confirm that Hedge End Town Council would support such a transfer. As such, this would see the creation of an additional one councillor ward, that is, making a total of 22 councillors. The Town Council has made it clear that it would like this additional representation considered in the Community Governance Review.

RESOLVED

That the Town Clerk makes a formal response as stated above to Eastleigh Borough Council as part of the Community Governance Review consultation.

F813 Capital Programme Update

Cllr. Keith House advised members that in light of reviewing current developers' contributions at Eastleigh Borough Council and looking at the Town Council's capital spend projects for 2018/2019, an adjustment should be made to the budget. Rather than refurbishing a play area at £60,000, the Town Council should extend the Dowd's Farm Play Area at the same budget allocation and make a sum of £50,000 available towards the renovation and refurbishment of the HEYCA, therefore increasing the capital spend projects sum to £190,000.

RESOLVED

That the Town Council makes £50,000 available as a capital spend project for the renovation and refurbishment of the HEYCA and to extend the Dowd's Farm Play Area rather than refurbishing a play area at £60,000.

There being no further business to transact, the Chairman closed the meeting at 19.40 hours.