

North Petherton Town Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held at North Petherton Community Centre on 15th October 2018.

Present Cllr P Spencer Chairman

Members of the Committee: Cllr A Bradford, Cllr L Parchment, Cllr W Revans and Cllr J Taylor

In attendance Cllr Mrs L Hyde, Cllr J Barham, Cllr R Ives and R T Latham Town Clerk

The meeting commenced at 9:00 pm

F10/2018 Apologies

There were apologies from Cllr Mrs L Spelman Ives.

F11/2018 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 23rd April 2018 were agreed as a correct record.

F12/2018 Matters arising

There were no matters arising

F13/2018 CIL update

The Clerk gave a verbal update on the latest estimates of CIL monies due to the Council. Based on existing approvals a sum of around £150,000 could be forthcoming. The Clerk was asked to clarify whether or not there were any time limits on spending CIL income

Resolved: that estimated income from CIL be incorporated in the developing Infrastructure Strategy and the Council's medium term financial plan.

F14/2018 Budget Timetable

The Clerk presented the draft timetable for the preparation of the 2019/20 budget.

Resolved: that the timetable be approved.

F15/2018 Budget Strategy

Cllr Spencer explained how he expected that the precept would have to rise in real terms in 2019/20 if the Council agreed to take over local services being cut by the County Council. Members discussed options of raising funds from other sources and working with neighbouring councils to share costs.

F16/2018 Data Audit

The Clerk presented a report on a data audit he had undertaken of the Council's systems and activities.

Resolved: that the report be received and appropriate steps be taken to keep data secure, and the audit be reviewed annually or whenever new services were taken on.

The meeting closed at 9:35 pm