



MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE OF KETTERING TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE TOLLER CHURCH ROOMS, KETTERING AT 7PM ON 17th JULY 2024

Councillors Present: Cllr Lloyd Bunday (chair)
Maggie Don, Emily Fedorowycz and Mark Rowley

Officers present:- Martin Hammond, Town Clerk

No members of the public/press attended.

Item Number	Description
FC24/015	Apologies for absence Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Carolyn and Robin Carter and Cllr Scott Edwards
FC24/016	Declarations of interest None declared
FC24/017	Minutes The minutes of the meeting held on 19 th June 2024 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the chair
FC24/018	Public Session None
FC24/019	Traffic Speed Devices A report was submitted detailing the three quotes received from suppliers of speed devices for the St Mary's Rd location agreed at the last meeting. The clerk also described the four potential locations of a speed device, as agreed with Kier after a site meeting. In addition, the Committee was asked if it would agree to take ownership of a further speed device if it could be funded from Cllr Pandey's NNC member empowerment fund and installed on Thurstan Drive. Members were shown where this additional camera could go.

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	<p>RESOLVED that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) The quote from Coeval (company c in the report) be accepted in the sum of £2884b) The lowest quote for the installation of a mounting pole be accepted in due course, andc) The preferred location of the device on St Mary's Rd be near to no. 76, subject to comments from neighbours and the views of the highway authorityd) The clerk work with Cllr Pandey, NNC and Kier to arrange for the installation of a further device on Thurstan Drive, subject to NNC funding being available, and for the Council to take ownership of it thereafter.
<p>FC24/020</p>	<p>125th anniversary, St Mary's CEVA School</p> <p>A report was submitted seeking the committee's views on a request for funding from St Mary's CEVA Primary School towards projects celebrating and marking its 125th anniversary.</p> <p>Members proposed that funding be generated from ward initiatives contributions and</p> <p>RESOLVED that all members be asked if they wish to contribute to the school's anniversary projects</p>
<p>FC24/021</p>	<p>Knife Amnesty Box</p> <p>A report was submitted seeking the committee's views on paying for a knife amnesty box to be installed near the swimming pool in Kettering, to serve the southern side of town. A knife amnesty box had been installed on premises in Rockingham Rd in 2023, using ward initiatives funds. Off the Streets would supply and install any box.</p> <p>The exact site still needed to be identified and options were being discussed with NNC.</p> <p>RESOLVED that a knife amnesty box be purchased and installed at a location to be agreed by NNC in the Bowling Green Rd area, the cost to be met from the community resilience fund.</p>

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FC24/022	Mayoral activity A report was submitted and noted.
FC24/023	Climate Change A short verbal update was provided. Cllr Fedorowycz proposed that all members be invited to attend a free course on climate change mitigation and it was agreed that an item to that effect could be placed on the next Council agenda.
FC24/024	Monitoring of the Corporate Plan A report summarising progress against the Council's corporate priorities was circulated and commented upon. It was agreed that a note should be sent to all members reminding them what the community resilience fund was for.
FC24/025	Budget Monitoring and Invoices The committee received a report on spending in the first three months of the financial year and on current financial and asset management issues. The report was updated verbally at the meeting. The Council would need to find new storage for its event equipment and fencing still stored at NNC's depot and the clerk was also looking to reduce the time taken to erect market stalls by changing some of the materials used to connect stalls together. RESOLVED that a) The report be noted b) A payment of £798 including VAT to O'Neill Homer for planning advice on the neighbourhood plan/ input into member workshop 12 th June be approved retrospectively c) The clerk be authorised to identify storage options for the Council's event fencing and to incur expenditure, subject to a report back to the next meeting, such expenditure to be met from the events budget and d) The clerk be authorised to find replacement gutters for market stalls from local suppliers.

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	Meeting closed at 7.50 pm
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