

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BELBROUGHTON AND FAIRFIELD PARISH COUNCIL
FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER 2022, 7.30PM VIA VIDEO
CONFERENCE FACILITY**

Present

Parish Councillors

Cllr. Carter
Cllr. Gibbs
Cllr. Hood
Cllr. Mabbett (Chairman)
Cllr. Nock
Cllr. Wilkes

Acting Clerk: Ruth Mullett

Public

There were no members of the public
in attendance

295/22 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr. Hood and the reason for his absence was approved by all committee members.

296/22 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr. Wilkes and Cllr. Gibbs declared an Other Disclosable Interest on agenda item 10, Fairfield Villa due to their proximity to Fairfield Recreation Ground.

297/22 DISPENSATIONS REQUESTED

Cllr. Wilkes and Cllr. Gibbs requested a dispensation on agenda item 10, and it was unanimously **RESOLVED** to grant these dispensations.

298/22 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS

It was unanimously **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 18th July 2022.

299/22 BANK RECONCILIATIONS

The Committee noted the monthly reconciliation conducted by Cllr Mabbett. The Committee agreed that Cllr Nock would conduct the next reconciliation procedure for the October Finance Committee.

300/22 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

It was unanimously **RESOLVED** to agree the accounts for payment circulated to all councillors.

301/22 COUNCIL INSURANCES

It was unanimously agreed to accept the renewal notification received from Gallagher Insurance.

302/22 PARISH COUNCIL BUDGET 2022/23

It was unanimously **RESOLVED** to present a draft budget to the November Finance Committee for approval in December Full Council. Clerk to prepare a preliminary budget.

303/22 MAINTENANCE WORK

Cllr. Mabbett confirmed that County Cllr's May and Webb had agreed to each purchase a VAS sign from their Divisional Fund, one for each parish. Clerk to ascertain costings and place on the next agenda for the parish to purchase an additional one.

It was unanimously **RESOLVED** to purchase a new litterbin for the play area in Fairfield Rec.

Fairfield Recreation ground still has a lot of outstanding maintenance issues. It was agreed for Clerk to arrange a meeting on-site with Cllr's Gibbs and Wilkes to draw up a list of outstanding issues to present to the next Finance Committee.

304/22 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Monday 17th October 2022, 7.30pm via Zoom.

305/22 RESOLUTION FOR COUNCIL TO EXCLUDE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

Pursuant to section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the Council unanimously **RESOLVED** that, due to the sensitive nature of the business to be transacted under agenda item 12, Fairfield Villa Lease Negotiations, that the public and members of the press would be asked to leave the meeting during the consideration of this item.

A robust discussion took place with a view to producing a working paper for the next Finance Committee Meeting.

The meeting closed at 21.11pm

To be agreed as a true record by the Finance Committee

Signed