

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BELBROUGHTON AND FAIRFIELD PARISH COUNCIL  
FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2023, 7.30PM VIA VIDEO  
CONFERENCE FACILITY**

**Present**

**Parish Councillors**

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

**Public**

There were no members of the public  
in attendance

Clerk: Ruth Mullett

**362/23 APOLOGIES**

None

**363/23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

**364/23 DISPENSATIONS REQUESTED**

None

**365/23 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

It was unanimously **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023.

**366/23 BANK RECONCILIATIONS**

An in-depth monthly bank reconciliation had not been conducted, but Councillors agreed with the presented figures. The Committee agreed that Cllr. Wilkes would conduct the next reconciliation procedure for the March Finance Committee.

**367/23 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

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

**368/23 INVESTMENT UPDATE**

It was unanimously **RESOLVED** to reinvest the United Bank Trust matured bond of £51,500.00 into a one-year bond with Charity Bank @ 3.36%.

**369/23 MAINTENANCE WORK**

It was agreed for Clerk to write to the Headmaster at Fairfield First School to remind them that they need to seek formal approval from the Parish Council to use Fairfield Recreation Ground to avoid any clashing with events. Also to reiterate that no cars should be allowed to park on the Recreation Ground at any time.

**370/23 VAS SIGN**

Cllr. Gibbs had sourced a quote for a mains electricity sign to be installed on the North entry in Fairfield. It was suggested Clerk contact Cllr. Webb as County Council could have better bulk buying power than the Parish Council.

**371/23 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023, 7.30pm via Zoom.

**372/22 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.

It was unanimously **RESOLVED** to approve the recommendation of the Staffing Committee to appoint Ruth Mullett as Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023.

The meeting closed at 20.09.

To be agreed as a true record by the Finance Committee

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