



# WARWICK TOWN COUNCIL

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## FINANCE & POLICY COMMITTEE

THURSDAY 21<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER 2021

### Present:

Councillor J D'Arcy  
Councillor R Eddy  
Councillor J Tracey (Chair)  
The Mayor (Ex Officio)  
Cllr N Murphy (Sub)

## MINUTES

**177. Apologies:** Councillors PS Birdi, N Butler, Mrs M A Grainger & T Morris gave their apologies. It was resolved to approve their apologies.

**178. Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests - None**

**179. Minutes of the meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> August 2021** – it was resolved to approved as a true record of the meeting.

Noted that the painting of the ballroom ceiling has been deferred to January 2022. and the Standing orders were amended at Full Council following a debate to retain the meeting start time to 6.30pm.

**180. CCLA review investment and discuss further investment.** – The Town Clerk relayed information from Stratford Town Council regarding their long-term investments with CCLA she also referred Councillors to the Investment Policy which would need to be reviewed prior to any long-term investment being made. It was resolved to review the policy at the next meeting.

**181. Schedule of Accounts already paid/Income** – August & September 2021 – it was resolved to approve the accounts for August and September as presented. It was noted that the income figures were positive for room hire and VIC sales.

**182. Budgets** – The current situation was reviewed. Figures were positive.

**City status costs** – It was recommended that budget set aside for Town Centre Management for Town Ambassadors which was not used.

**Twinning costs** – Verden 30-year anniversary – approx. £500.  
Proposed changes were approved.

**183. Risk Register – Score the CIL risk.** The red risks were reviewed – there were no changes.

**184. Staffing** – The Town Clerk gave an overview on staffing matters. George was thanked for his support with social media regarding the City Status consultation and it was noted that Stacy was travelling from London to see through the events she had organised.

**185. WTC Objectives** – progress reviewed. Cllr N Butler will be asked to remind Councillors to submit their updates.

**186. CIL monies** – We have £25K to spend

A proposal was made to extend WIB along the Emscote road to our boundary – Cllr Darcy is organising a visit to the area to discuss feasibility.

It was felt that the new outlying areas of the Town needed notice boards – Ward Councillors will be asked to decide the best locations – these are approx. £1k each.

Information boards were also needed in Priory Park – a cost is being gained.

It was felt that the town would benefit from another Defibrillator - One at the back of the Court House was suggested – costings being gained.

A policy for CIL will be discussed at the next meeting.

**187. Closed Churchyards** – The Town Clerk advised that the Solicitor felt that there was disparity with the way that WDC took responsibility for other Towns in the District. Clarification will be sort from WDC by the Town Clerk.

**188. External Audit report** – for review – Town Clerk

The audit was approved. It was noted that 1 signature was omitted by the RFO.

Signed..... Dated.....