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Town Clerk

To: Members of the Finance and General Purposes Committee -
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(Copy for information to other Members of the Town Council)

7 March 2023

Dear Town Councillor,

You are summoned to a meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee, to be held at **Mountfield, Rax Lane, Bridport, DT6 3JP** on **Monday 13 March 2023 at 7.00pm** when it is proposed to transact the following business. Limited spaces will be available for public attendance.

Virtual attendance can be made available for members of the public, provided a request is received by the Clerk, by midday on the day preceding the meeting.

Yours sincerely

Town Clerk

This meeting is open to the press and public

AGENDA

PUBLIC FORUM

Immediately preceding the Committee's meeting a period of up to 30 minutes, or less as the case may be, will be allowed for members of the public present, who are electors or residents in the parish of Bridport or adjoining parishes, to ask questions and make statements in respect of items on the agenda of this Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting.



1. APOLOGIES
To receive apologies for absence submitted by Members.
2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
To receive any declarations of interest by members.
3. MINUTES
To confirm the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 16 January 2023 (previously circulated but [enclosed](#) for members of the Committee).
4. BEST VALUE AND SCRUTINY SUB COMMITTEE
To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 7 March 2023 ([copy enclosed](#)) including the following recommendations:

[Min 30 Investment Review 2022/23 and Strategy 2023/24](#) – RECOMMEND:
 - (i) that the investments made in 2022/23 be noted as in the report; and
 - (ii) that the Investment Strategy for 2023/24 be approved as drafted.
[Min 31 Asset Register](#)
RECOMMEND: that the Asset Register be approved and the Town Clerk be given delegated authority to make any final amendments, before it is signed by the Chairman of the Finance and General Purposes Committee and the Town Clerk.
5. MARKET & BUSINESS LIAISON WORKING GROUP
To receive the notes of the meeting held on 7 February 2023 ([copy enclosed](#)) and to consider the recommendations therein.
6. ENVIRONMENT & SOCIAL WELLBEING COMMITTEE
To consider any recommendations arising from the meeting of 8 March 2023 (to be reported at the meeting).
7. SERVICES ADMINISTERED BY THE TOWN SURVEYOR
To consider a report of the Town Surveyor, [ENCL: 3795](#).
8. FEES AND CHARGES
To consider and approve fees and charges for 2023/24, [ENCL: 3796](#), and to approve a delegation to vary fees for community or financial benefit.
9. BUDGET 2022/23 – EARMARKING
Finance & Office Manager to report on the delegation of potential funds to be earmarked from 2022/23 budgets. Members to agree ad hoc delegations as appropriate.
10. PENSIONS DISCRETIONS POLICY - REVIEW
To consider a report of the Town Clerk, [ENCL: 3797](#).



11. REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES
To receive any updates within the remit of this Committee.
12. COMMUNICATONS
To receive any updates for information.
13. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS
List number 5 - 2022/2023 will be laid on the table.
14. *PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960*
"That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded, and they are instructed to withdraw."
15. STAFFING MATTERS
Town Clerk and Town Surveyor to report on staffing matters. Members to agree any actions arising.

The next meeting of the Committee will be on 12 June 2023