

SEALAND COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON 16th JANUARY 2023 AT ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH, OLD SEALAND ROAD, SEALAND, DEESIDE. CH5 2LQ

PRESENT: Councillors: David Wisinger (Chair), Gwyneth Bullock, Ashley Griffiths (Vice-Chair), Barbara Hinds, Chris Jones (County Councillor), Alex Lewis, Lionel Prouve, Mary Southall, Brian Ward and Shelley Webber.

Peter Richmond - Clerk and Financial Officer.

Wayne Jones – StreetScene

One member of the public.

22/212 SEALAND COMMUNITY COUNCIL – BANK RECONCILIATION – 31st DECEMBER 2022

The Clerk advised that in line with council's Financial Regulations and audit requirements he submits details of the Council's overall bank balances in respect of – as at 30th June, 30th September, 31st December, and 31st March each year. The position as at 31st December 2022

Account - no 0388217 – £12,192.86 - Account - no – 7326098 - £51,877.20 Total - £64,070.06

Unpaid - Cheque number	Payable to	Amount - £
003536	Jolora Ltd	384.00
003537	Jolora Ltd	228.00
003538	SLCC	177.00
003543	Eye2Eye	150.00
Total		939.00

Total bank accounts – £64,070.06 less unpaid cheques of £939.00 as outlined by the Clerk leaves a nett balance of £63,131.06. This amount cross references with the summary of income and expenditure report as at 31st December 2022 as circulated by the Clerk. The bank reconciliation statement including copies of the appropriate bank statements were circulated to all members of Council by email on 12th January 2023. The Vice Chair signed three hard copies of the bank reconciliation statements.

RESOLVED: - that the report be noted.

22/213 SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS – 2022/23 FINANCIAL YEAR

The Clerk outlined the expenditure and income for the 2022/23 financial year up to cheque number 003547

2022/23 Financial Year	Actual	Anticipated	Difference
Income			
General Admin Inc. Precept	£60,000.00	£60,000.00	£0.00
Bank Interest and Refund of Fees	£19.76	£6.00	£13.76
VAT Refund	£492.48	£500.00	-£7.52
Total	£60,512.24	£60,506.00	£6.24
Expenditure	Actual	Anticipated	Difference
Bank Charges	£101.25	£135.00	£33.75
Chairman's Fund	£400.00	£800.00	£400.00
Staffing Costs	£11,943.36	£13,190.00	£1,246.64
General Admin inc St Barts rental costs	£3,024.22	£3,670.00	£645.78
Insurances	£628.95	£700.00	£71.05
Play Schemes and New Play Equipment	£6,160.00.	£10,800.00	£4,640.00
Street Furniture Repairs	£0.00	£400.00	£400.00
Street Lighting	£22,815.10	£21,700.00	-£1,115.10
Election Costs - Representation of the Peoples Act 1983 - RPA1983 S36C	£246.17	£4,500.00	£4,253.83
Council Web Site	£2,268 (inc VAT £378.00)	£2,304.00 (inc VAT)	£36.00
S137 - Grants	£1,550.00	£3,000.00	£1,450.00
School Milk - Section 137	£0.00	£1,500.00	£1,500.00
Total	£49,137.05	£62,699.00	£13,561.95

Current Summary	Balance as at 1 st April 2022 including £25,000 contingency fund.	£44,239.45
	Total expenditure	£49,137.05
	Total income	£60,512.24
	Balance	£11,375.19
Overall balance as at 16th January 2023		£55,614.64
	VAT Costs for 2022/23 financial year	£586.10
End of Year Prediction	Balance as at 1 st April 2022 including £25,000 contingency fund.	£44,239.45
	Total anticipated expenditure	£62,699.00
	Total anticipated income	£60,506.00
	Anticipated balance for the year	-£2,193.00
Anticipated Overall Balance as at 31st March 2023		£ 42,046.45

22/214 2021/22 FINANCIAL YEAR ANNUAL FINANCIAL RETURN

There was no report.

22/215 PRECEPT 2023/24

At the Annual Finance Meeting held on 12th December 2022 the precept for the 2023/24 financial year was agreed in principle at £62,000 subject for a review at the January 2023 meeting.

The Clerk advised that the County Council require the completion of a precept mandate form to be signed by the Chairman and Clerk. This form has now been received.

Current year's precept – 2022/23 - £60,000
Current Tax Base of equivalent Band D properties is £1,367.40
The current Band D charge is £43.88

The precept for 2023/24 - £62,000
Tax Base for 2023/24 of equivalent Band D properties is £1,458.01
The band D charge for 2023/24 will be £42.52
The decrease in the Band D charge amount is £1.36
The percentage decrease in the 2023/24 Band D charge compared to the 2022/23 Band D charge is 3.09 %

RESOLVED: - that -

- i) the Precept for 2023/24 be confirmed at £62,000.
- ii) the Chair and Clerk should sign and date the precept form and for it to be submitted to Flintshire County Council .

22/218 DATE OF COUNCIL'S NEXT MEETING – 20th FEBRUARY 2023

**22/219 IN ACCORDANCE WITH SEALAND COMMUNITY COUNCIL'S CODE OF CONDUCT -
DECLARATION OF INTEREST - NONE**

The meeting opened at 6pm and closed at 7.45pm

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