

**SEALAND COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON 20<sup>th</sup> MARCH 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), Norman Jones. Alex Lewis, Lionel Prouve, Mary Southall, Brian Ward and Shelley Webber.

Peter Richmond - Clerk and Financial Officer.

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**22/263                    ANNUAL FINANCIAL RETURN – 2021/22 FINANCIAL YEAR**

The Clerk advised that on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2023 he was informed by Deryck Evans – Audit Manager at Audit Wales that as per our conversation, I confirm that the audit opinion is unqualified and there are no matters of concern raised at the audit. The next steps for you are simply to publish the completion notice and the audited annual return. This was confirmed the same day by email and copied to all members of Council.

The completion notice dated 15<sup>th</sup> March 2023 has been added to the Council's notice boards. The notice and a full copy of the audited annual return has been added to the Council's website.

RESOLVED: - that the report be noted

**22/264                    SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS – 2022/23 FINANCIAL YEAR**

The Clerk outlined the expenditure and income for the 2022/23 financial year up to cheque number 003559

2022/23 Financial Year	Actual	Anticipated	Difference
<b>Income</b>			
General Admin Inc. Precept	£60,000.00	£60,000.00	£0.00
Bank Interest and Refund of Fees	£60.00	£6.00	£54.90
VAT Refund	£492.48	£500.00	-£7.52
<b>Total</b>	<b>£60,553.38</b>	<b>£60,506.00</b>	<b>£47.38</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Anticipated</b>	<b>Difference</b>
Bank Charges	£126.30	£135.00	£8.70
Chairman's Fund	£400.00	£800.00	£400.00
Staffing Costs	£14,284.80	£13,190.00	-£1,094.80
General Admin inc St Barts rental costs	£3,996.07	£3,670.00	-£326.07
Insurances	£628.95	£700.00	£71.05
Play Schemes and New Play Equipment	£11,160.00.	£10,800.00	-£360.00
Street Furniture Repairs	£0.00	£400.00	£400.00
Street Lighting	£28,253.49 (inc VAT £4,723.57)	£21,700.00(exc VAT)	-£6,553.49
Election Costs - Representation of the Peoples Act 1983 - RPA1983 S36C	£246.17	£4,500.00	£4,253.83
Council Web Site	£2,652 (inc VAT of £442)	£2,304.00 (inc VAT)	-£348.00
S137 - Grants	£1,550.00	£3,000.00	£1,450.00
School Milk - Section 137	£0.00	£1,500.00	£1,500.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£63,297.78</b>	<b>£62,699.00</b>	<b>-£598.78</b>

Current Summary	Balance as at 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2022 including £25,000 contingency fund.	£44,239.45
	Total expenditure	£63,297.78
	Total income	£60,553.38
	Balance	-£2,744.40
<b>Overall balance as at 20<sup>th</sup> March 2023</b>		<b>£41,495.05</b>
VAT Costs for 2022/23 financial year		£5,374.47
End of Year Prediction	Balance as at 1 <sup>st</sup> 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
<b>Anticipated Overall Balance as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023</b>		<b>£ 42,046.45</b>

**22/268            DATE OF COUNCIL'S NEXT MEETING – 17<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2023**

**22/269            IN ACCORDANCE WITH SEALAND COMMUNITY COUNCIL'S CODE OF CONDUCT -  
DECLARATION OF INTEREST - NONE**

The meeting opened at 6pm and closed at 7.55pm

..... Signed    17<sup>th</sup> April 2023

