



**Minutes of the Policy and Resources Committee meeting held on
Wednesday 25 May 2022 at the Sedgwick Room, Dent**

Present: Gary Seekins (Chair), Les Howes, Michael Akrigg, Laura Thornley

To be presented at the Policy and Resources Committee meeting on Monday 01 August 2022

PR180	/22	Election of Chair: RESOLVED that Cllr. Seekins was nominated by Cllr. Thornley, seconded by Cllr. Howes and was unanimously elected to the Chair.	
PR181	/22	Apologies for absence: RESOLVED to accept the apologies from Cllr. Manners-Armstrong.	
PR182	/22	Declarations of Interest: RESOLVED to accept the declaration from Cllr. Thornley regarding item 8 on the agenda.	
PR183	/22	Minutes of the last meeting: RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting on Monday 11 April 2022 were a correct record and a copy was signed by the Chair.	
PR184	/22	Public Forum: 1 member of the public was present to discuss parking permits and it was requested that any questions wait until item 7 on the agenda as they may be answered as a result of the consultation.	
PR185	/22	Grants: a) A local resident had requested £150 for the tuning of the piano in the Memorial Hall and to part fund a trip for children in the School Choir. It was RESOLVED to support this request if it came from the school as the council cannot grant money to an individual. b) Dent PCC requested £84 (50% of the cost) of new Union Flags for the church tower. RESOLVED to grant this in full. c) Dent CE Primary School requested £1500 towards refurbishment of the outside learning area and garden. It was RESOLVED to grant the balance of £766 in the grant fund to the school.	
PR186	/22	Car Park Tariffs and Permits Consultation: The consultation had run from 01 to 30 April 2022 and had been available as a paper copy or online via www.dentwithcowgillpc.co.uk 4 responses had been received which broadly supported all of the proposals, with the exception of one respondent who felt that the removal of transferable permits was a mistake which would lead to visitors parking all over the village. The committee considered this and felt that most people are responsible and would not travel to visit somewhere without expecting to pay to park their car. RESOLVED to recommend that all of the proposals are implemented with immediate effect.	
PR187	/22	Clerk Annual Leave: The Clerk advised that he had been unable to take any proper leave for 6 years as there was no proper cover in place while he was away. The committee asked the clerk to present a list of options to	

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		the next meeting including costs for a Locum Clerk or someone local to cover.	
PR188	/22	<p>Policies Review: The committee considered the following policies which all remained unchanged from the previous year and it was RESOLVED to recommend adoption in the unchanged format: Standing Orders Financial Regulations Complaints Procedure Equal Opportunities Policy Freedom of Information Policy Health and Safety Policy Staff Appraisal Policy Retention of Documents Policy Holiday Lets Planning Policy Scheme of Delegation The committee also considered the new Code of Conduct as requested by SLDC and RESOLVED to recommend adoption of the new Code.</p>	
PR189	/22	<p>Car Park Improvement Project: The Clerk updated the committee on the current status of the project. It was noted that it had been difficult to find a supplier of electricity for the EV Chargers with “market volatility” being cited as the reason for refusing to quote in most cases. The Clerk is awaiting a meeting with Matt Kaunz regarding the information boards so that a draft layout can be agreed. Two quotes for resurfacing had been received but a quote for the groundworks was still required.</p>	
PR190	/22	<p>Charge My Street Remedial Work: The letter had now been sent to Charge My Street advising that the council considered them in breach of the terms of their lease and were putting the council in breach of the terms of the lease with YDNPA. A response is awaited.</p>	
PR191	/22	<p>Bonfire and Fireworks: The Clerk reported that the current insurance did not cover this event and an additional premium of £250 would be payable to proceed. The committee agreed with this in principle but would like to know what other costs would be involved before proceeding.</p>	
PR192	/22	<p>Date of next meeting: RESOLVED that the next meeting will be on Monday 01 August 2022 at 7.30pm in The Sedgwick Room, Dent.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 20.42</p>	

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Action List

Write to school, church, member of public re grant requests	ST
Ask Flowbird to change tariffs	ST
Publish results of Car Park Consultation	ST
Compile list of options for Annual Leave cover	ST
Find out costs of fireworks etc	ST

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