

CHRISTCHURCH TOWN COUNCIL

RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting held on 7 July 2020 at 6.00pm via Zoom
conferencing facilities

Present:-

Vice-Chairman: Cllr A Coulton

Present: Cllr Mrs S Bungey, Cllr C A Gardiner, Cllr F F T Neale, Cllr Mrs S Spittle, Cllr M J Tarling.

Also in
attendance: Cllr Carol Gardiner

Apologies: Cllr W Grace and Cllr P Hilliard.

Officers present: Daniel Lucas, Town Clerk
Susan Roxby, Administrative Support Officer

Members of the Public present: None present.

Members of the Press present: None present

32. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest on this occasion.

33. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 9 June 2020 were agreed and signed as an accurate record.

Voting: unanimous

34. Public Participation

There was no public participation on this occasion.

35. Public Questions

There were no questions from the public on this occasion.

36. Town Clerk's Report

An updated schedule of payments for the period 01.06.2020 to 02.07.2020 was submitted and approved and signed, a copy of which had been circulated to each member and a copy of which appears as Appendix 'A' to these minutes in the minute book.

The monthly accounts for the period to the end of June 2020 was submitted, a copy of which had been circulated to each member and a copy of which appears as Appendix 'B' to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

The Town Clerk informed Members that the invoice amounting to £240 on 7 July 2020 for emergency tree works was in respect of a tree along Creedy path at Druitt Gardens and not Christchurch Quay as indicated on the spreadsheet.

RESOLVED that:

- a) **the schedule of payments for the period 01.06.2020 to 02.07.2020 be approved; and**
- b) **the monthly accounts for the period to the end of June 2020 be noted.**

Voting: unanimous

37. 2019/2020 – Unspent Budget Virement

A report was submitted, a copy of which had been circulated to each member and a copy of which appears as Appendix 'C' to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

Members were asked to consider the options for rolling forwards unspent budgets for the financial year 2019/2020 or re-tasked by virement.

Members questioned if BCP Council would be reimbursing the Town Council for non-cutting of grass and was advised that this was due to weed killer objections regarding climate change that the grass had not been cut so often.

The Town Clerk enquired if Members wished to earmark £50,000 to employ private contractors to undertake improvements to the town such as bin collections and street cleaning etc.

A motion was proposed by Cllr Tarling and seconded by Cllr Bungey that the Council double its Reserves figure this year from £21,500 to £43,000 to give a total of £64,500 in Reserves which would provide half of the Council's three months operating costs of £129,000 in Reserves.

A further motion was proposed by Cllr Tarling and seconded by Cllr Bungey that himself, the Chairman and Vice Chairman meet to consult with the Town Clerk to discuss the allocation of where the £151,000 underspent budget is directed.

RECOMMENDED to Full Council that:

- a) £43,000 be vired to reserves; and**
- b) Cllr Tarling, the Chairman and Vice Chairman in consultation with the Town Clerk meet to discuss where the £151,000 underspent budget is directed.**

Voting: unanimous

The meeting ended at 7.27pm

CHAIRMAN