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Finance Committee Minutes

For the meeting held in the Moot Hall

Monday 14th April 2025 at 7.19pm

Present:

Cllr Heap (Chair)
Cllr Curley
Cllr Davidson

Also in attendance:

Cllr Connell
Cllr Kemp
Cllr Railton
Cllr Rooke
Town Clerk and Clerk's Assistant

F1/04/25 Apologies for Absence

Apologies received from Cllr Chalmers, Cllr Anderton and Cllr Pape.

F2/04/25 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

F3/04/25 Chair's Report

There was no Chair's report in respect of this meeting.

F4/04/25 Management Accounts

The Chair presented the Management Accounts for March 2025. The Clerk explained there are still some costs relating to the 2024-25 financial year to be paid, including utility bills. There is a slight discrepancy between the income and expenditure for the Platinum Playground and a discussion will be had with the playground committee to decide what to do with the underspend of around £600.

The Management Accounts for March 2025 were accepted and **RECOMMENDED** to Full Council.

F5/04/25 Year End Accounts

Year end accounts preparations have been started, but until all the outstanding invoices relating to services delivered to end of March are received, the final year end figures cannot be finalised.

F6/04/25 Banking Arrangements and Account Signatories

The Clerk reported that although the new bank accounts with Unity Trust are all setup, the Barclays accounts will not be closed until the payments relating to 2024-25 have been made.

There are six signatories for the two Unity Trust accounts - the Clerk, Clerk's Assistant and four Councillors. The Cumberland reserves account has 4 signatories - the Clerk and three Councillors.

It was **RECOMMENDED** to Full Council that the Banking Arrangements and Account Signatories remain the same.

F7/04/25 Councillors' reports and items for future agendas

There were no items for future agendas.

F8/04/25 Next Meeting

To note that the next meeting of the Finance Committee will be on **Monday 19th May 2025** at **7.15pm**, or at the rising of the Planning and General Purposes Committee in the Moot Hall.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.25pm.

At the Council Meeting held on **Wednesday 23rd April 2025**, the Chair of this meeting was authorised by the Committee to sign these minutes, to confirm they are a true and accurate record:

Cllr Heap