

POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE

9th January 2019

7.30 p.m.

*Cllr A Watts - Chairman
*Cllr Mrs. S. Stavrou – Deputy Chairman
*Cllr M. Fitch
Cllr Mrs. R. Gadsby
*Cllr Mrs H. Kane
*Cllr Mrs. J. Lea
*Cllr Miss J Lucas
*Cllr Mrs. A. Mitchell
Cllr R K James
*Cllr. Mrs. E.A. Webster
*Cllr S Yerrell

* Denotes Members present.

Also present: Mr P Tippitt and Mr R Holmes

In attendance: Town Clerk and Senior Assistant

Cllr A Watts in the Chair

590/19. **Recording of Meetings:** The notice was duly read to the meeting.

591/19. **Apologies for Absence:** Apologies for absence were received from

592/19. **Disclosure of Interest:**

Member	Item	Interest	Reason	Action
Cllr A Watts	Abbey Filling	Non-Pecuniary	Friend of proprietor & account holder	Remained.
Cllr Mrs J Lea	Abbey Youth	Non-Pecuniary	Acquaintance	Remained.
Cllr M Fitch	Waltham Abbey Church	Non-Pecuniary	Friend	Remained.
Cllr M Fitch	Warmhouse	Non-Pecuniary	Acquaintance	Remained.
Cllr M Fitch	Waltham Abbey Stationers	Non-Pecuniary	Acquaintance	Remained.
Cllr S Yerrell	Waltham Abbey Stationers	Non-Pecuniary	Acquaintance	Remained.
Cllr Mrs H Kane	Waltham Abbey Stationers	Non-Pecuniary	Friend & Supplier	Remained.
Cllr Mrs H Kane	Maggie Radcliffe	Non-Pecuniary	Friend	Remained.
Council	Duncan Phillips	Non-Pecuniary	Acquaintance	Remained.

593/19 **Public Questions:** There were no public questions.

- 594/19 **Accounts Paid:** Members referred to lists of accounts paid and reimbursements made on the authority of two members dated 5th and 19th December. It was moved by the chairman and
- RESOLVED – THAT the accounts paid and reimbursements made on the authority of two members dated 5th and 19th December 2018 be confirmed and approved.
- 595/19 **GDPR:** The Committee noted that there is no specific update at this time.
- 596/19 **Precept/Draft Budget:** The Committee received the report detailing the draft budget and precept requirement for recommendation to full Council. A full discussion was held regarding the precept, and the proposed paying for the keeping on of the street lights all night and the associated cost. It was moved by the Chairman and
- RESOLVED – that the proposed increase of 1.5% on the Band D equivalent, equating to an increase of 3p per week per household be agreed, producing a precept of £851,000, and that a full consultation be undertaken regarding keeping on of the street lights and/or additional policing, before a decision is made on these items.
- 597/19 **Internal Audit Report 2018/19 (Interim Report):** The Committee received the Internal Audit Report.
- 598/19 **Policies:** The Committee reviewed the following policies and it was moved by the Chairman and
- RESOLVED – that the Community Engagement Policy and the Equality & Diversity Policy be approved and adopted.
- 599/19 **Street Naming:** Councillors considered the proposed new street names for the new development on Sewardstone Road. It was moved by the Chairman and
- RESOLVED – that the Committee had no objection to either name, but would prefer Park Farm Close, the Town Clerk is to advise the District Council accordingly.
- 600/19 **Status List:** The status list was duly noted.
- 601/19 **Any Other Business:** There was no other business.

- 602/19 **Exclusion of Press and Public:** It was moved by the chairman and

RESOLVED – THAT in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted and listed below, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.
- 603/19 **Budget Monitoring Report:** Councillors received the officer’s report and noted that the budget was on track.
- 604/19 **Direct Debits, Standing Orders and Transfers dated 01/10/2018 – 31/10/2018:** were duly noted.
- 605/19 **Imprest Account Payments as at 01/10/2018 – 31/10/2018** were duly noted.
- 606/19 **Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 31/10/2018** were duly noted.

CLLR A Watts
CHAIRMAN of the MEETING.