SLAUGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

FINANCE & POLICY

Meeting AGENDA 12th June 2024 at 6pm, Sports Pavilion, High Street, Handcross Sally Mclean – Clerk to the Council Email <u>clerk@slaughampc.co.uk</u> Website: <u>www.slaughampc.co.uk</u> Protocol for filming and recording at public meetings: The Council has a protocol for public filming, recording and photography at its meetings, which is available on the Council's website or on request from the Parish Office.



Present:

- F06/01/24 Apologies for absence
- F06/02/24 Declarations of Interest: None
- F06/03/24Minutes of the meeting of Finance & Policy Committee 9th May 2024
To receive and adopt the minutes. Proposed Cllr MacNaughton, second Cllr Holborn
APPROVED RESOLVED
- **F06/04/24** Adjournment for questions from the public: The Committee is to consider whether to adjourn the Meeting in accordance with Clause 1(d) of Standing Orders, in order to receive questions from members of the public. None
- **F06/05/24** Income and Expenditure for Year Ending 31 March 2024: To consider and agree the final income and expenditure figures for the year ending 31 March 2024 and agree to recommend it to Council for approval and adoption.
- **F06/06/24 To consider the Internal Audit Report:** The Committee is asked to consider the Internal Audit Report including any audit findings for action and agree to recommend it to Council for approval.
- F06/07/24 Annual Accounts 2023/24: The Committee is asked to consider and agree that the Annual Governance and Accountability Return for the year ending 31 March 2024 accurately presents the financial management of the Council as required by the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 (Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2020/21 attached) and agrees to recommend them to Council for approval and adoption as follows:
- F06/08/24To agree Section 1: The Annual Governance Statement 2023/24RECOMMENDATION: The Committee agrees to recommend the Annual Governance
Statement 2021/2022 to Council for approval and adoption.
- F06/09/24To agree Section 2: The Accounting Statement 20223/24RECOMMENDATION: The Committee agrees to recommend the Accounting
Statement 2022/2023 to Council for approval and adoption.
- **F06/10/24 To agree the period of the publics' right of inspection will be Friday 28th June 2024 to Friday 9th August 2024** (*The accounting records for the financial year to which the audit relates must be made available for inspection by any person interested, during a period of 30 working days set by the smaller authority and including the first 10 working days of July.*) RECOMMENDATION: The Committee agrees to recommend the period of public inspection of the accounts to Council for approval and adoption.

F06/11/24 Members are asked to consider the following documents:

- NALC have published the latest edition of the model financial regulations (attached). NALC publishes updated Model Financial Regulations for local councils - News
- NALC has published the Joint Panel on Accountability and Governance (JPAG) 2024 edition of the Practitioner's Guide :- <u>NALC publishes the 2024 edition of the Practitioners' Guide -</u> <u>News</u>.
- It applies to the Annual Governance and Accountability Returns (AGAR) regarding financial years commencing on or after 1 April 2024.
- > The main changes to the guide from last year are:
 - Strong encouragement for Parish and Town Councils to use gov.uk domains for websites and emails.
 - Recommendation that Parish and Town Councils publish their full internal audit report on their website alongside their AGAR.
- **F06/12/24** To review the Council's Asset Register (attached)
- **F06/13/24** to review the Councils Risk Management Scheme and Internal Controls
 - Under legislation Council to consider protection of risk management for accounts holding more than 85k Flagstone <u>www.flagstoneim.com</u>

F06/14/24 To consider budget movements to include EMR –

- 1.1. Knapes Field £5000
- 1.2. Warninglid Allotments £5000
- 1.3. Warninglid Fencing £5000
- 1.4. Handcross Allotments £5000

F06/16/24 Matters that members' wish to raise for future discussion –

Date of Next Meeting: