

At a meeting of the **FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** held on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at the Civic Offices, Wellington Road Community Centre, Rhyl commencing at 6.00pm.

**PRESENT**

Councillor A. J. Rutherford (Chair)

Councillors B. Blakeley, Mrs J. Butterfield JP MBE, Mrs J. Chamberlain-Jones, Mrs E. M. Chard, S. Harris, Ms J. Hughes, A. R. James, B. Jones, K. R. Jones, Mrs P. M. Jones, Mrs D. L. King, Ms J. McAlpine, B. Mellor, Mrs W. M. Mullen-James, P. Prendergast, Ms V. Roberts, T. Thomas and Miss C. L. Williams.

Mr G. J. Nickels – Town Clerk  
Miss H. J. Windus – Deputy Town Clerk

**117. APOLOGIES**

Apologies were submitted from Councillor J. Ball.

**118. PAYMENTS AND RECEIPTS REPORT – FEBRUARY 2018**

The Town Clerk presented his report (circulated with agenda) detailing the schedule of payments made.

| Voucher No. | Supplier name              | Amount<br>£ | Description of Goods & Services                                     |
|-------------|----------------------------|-------------|---|
| 271         | Rhyl Community Association | 6,650.00    | Service charges for Wellington Centre Quarter 4 2017/18             |
| 423         | Sage & Co                  | 31.00       | Payroll services Feb 2018   |
| 424         | HSBC                       | 6.30        | Bank charges 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2017 to 16 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2018 |
| 425         | Sage & Co                  | 4.00        | Payroll services – arrears due to revised price                     |
| 435         | Flintshire County Council  | 4,141.80    | Pension contributions and deficit funding Jan 2018                  |
| 436         | HMRC                       | 2,557.41    | Payroll deductions Jan 2018   |
| 437         | RTC staff                  | 6,645.16    | Staff salaries Feb 2018   |
| 438         | Gunsmoke Communications    | 1,440.00    | Events services Jan 2018  |
| 260         | Benefits Advice Shop       | 916.66      | Appeals Officer contribution 11 of 12                               |
| 439         | Canda Copying              | 347.71      | Rental and b&w copy charges   |
| 440         | Candy Copying              | 243.68      | Colour copy charges   |
| 441         | Sioned Graham-Cameron      | 170.29      | Translation services  |
|             | Total payments             | 23,154.01   |   |

**RESOLVED** that the report was approved.

#### **119. AUTHORISATION OF PAYMENTS/ADDITIONS TO APPROVED SUPPLIERS LIST**

Further to minute no.143 of the meeting of Council held on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2017 and in accordance with the Council's adopted financial regulations, the Town Clerk submitted schedule B (a list of non-regular payments to be released over the coming month) (circulated with agenda).

| Voucher No.           | Supplier Name  | Description of Service               | Amount<br>£    |
|-----------------------|----------------|--------------------------------------|----------------|
| 442                   | Scottish Power | Electricity supply for illuminations | 362.88         |
| <b>Total payments</b> |                |                                      | <b>£362.88</b> |

**RESOLVED** that the schedule was approved for payment and signed by the Chair and Councillor A. R. James.

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that Standing Orders be suspended to enable the Town Clerk to respond as a matter of urgency

#### **120. REORGANISATION OF LOCAL POLICING**

The Town Clerk reported receipt of an e-mail (circulated with agenda) from Superintendent Sian Beck informing the town council of a number of changes in personnel.

**RESOLVED** that the information was received.

#### **121. CONSULTATION: WELSH GOVERNMENT – REVIEW OF COMMUNITY AND TOWN COUNCIL SECTOR IN WALES**

The Town Clerk advised that he and Councillor Mrs J. Butterfield had today attended the second engagement event in Wrexham and circulated the town council's response to the initial four questions put to it previously, for members' approval.

The Town Clerk was thanked for putting together a speedy revised response since returning from Wrexham.

**RESOLVED** that the proposed response was approved for submission to the independent panel.

#### **122. ANNUAL RISK REVIEW**

The Chair referred to the Risk Assessment Sub-Committee's report outlining the work undertaken by the committee and its proposed plan of work for 2018/19 (circulated with agenda).

Members thanked the Town Clerk for the level of work he continued to put into supporting and enabling the work of the Risk Assessment Sub-Committee.

Thanks were also expressed to the members of the sub-committee for their continued commitment to what was always a significant amount of work.

**RESOLVED** that the 2017/18 review and the 2018/19 plan were approved.

**123. FINAL REPORT OF THE REMUNERATION PANEL FOR WALES 2018/19**

The Town Clerk reported receipt of the above final report (circulated with agenda) for members' information, adding that a full report on the implications for the town council would be submitted to March meeting of Council.

**RESOLVED** that the report was received.

**124. MEMBERS' INFORMATION ITEMS**

The Chair advised that there were no urgent matters to raise.

**125. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

**RESOLVED** that the Press and Public be excluded from the Meeting for consideration of the following items of business in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act, 1960, on the grounds of confidentiality.

**126. FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH DENBIGHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

The Town Clerk circulated copies of the agreement for members' approval.

**RESOLVED** that the agreement was approved and the Mayor authorised to sign it and release the initial payment.

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that Standing Orders be suspended to enable the Town Clerk to respond as a matter of urgency

**127. TO DETERMINE A REQUEST FROM RHYL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION FOR A FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION**

The Town Clerk submitted his and the Risk Assessment Sub-Committee's report (circulated with agenda) detailing the request from the association and the sub-committee's recommendation to decline it.

**RESOLVED** that the request was declined.

**128. POTENTIAL STANDING ITEM: CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION REPORTS FROM CABINET MEMBERS OF DENBIGHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

The Town Clerk explained that he may have misunderstood members' request to introduce this standing item as an opportunity for the two town councillors who were also Denbighshire County Council Cabinet members, to provide non-confidential information to the town council?

Members' may prefer to have the two councillors speak to himself as and when useful information arose that would benefit the town council?

**RESOLVED** that the two councillors to contact the Town Clerk on an ad-hoc basis.

**129. STANDING ITEM: POLICE CLOSURE ORDERS**

Further to minute no.79 of the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2016, the Town Clerk advised that no applications had been received from North Wales Police.

**130. CLOSURE OF MEETING**

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting.

Chair: .....

Date: .....