

**UNADOPTED
POLEGATE TOWN COUNCIL**



FINANCE & POLICY COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Finance and Policy Committee meeting held on Friday 9th February 2018 Council Chambers 49, High Street, Polegate 9.45 am

Present: Cllrs D Murray, Ms A Snell (ex officio), D Watts, Mrs M Piper, S Shing D Dunbar (ex officio) **(6)**

Not Present: - Cllrs M Falkner, B Goodwin **(2)**

No members of the public present.

Minute Number	Resolution
12276	Opportunity for Public Comment None
12277	Apologies for absence Cllrs B goodwin, M Falkner
12278	Declarations of interest in any items on the agenda Cllr S Shing minute 12281 County Councillor (non prejudicial)
12279	Minutes of Finance & Policy committee It was resolved to accept the minutes of the Finance & Policy meeting of 17th November 2017 as an accurate record of the meeting. VOTE All in favour Cllrs D Murray, Ms A Snell (ex officio), D Watts, Mrs M Piper
12280	Payments as presented for approval A Councillor asked what the payment for the electrical works was at the High Street toilets, the clerk replied that it was the remedial works following the periodical electrical test. It was resolved to accept the payments as present totaling £9684.78 VOTE All in favour Cllrs D Murray, Ms A Snell (ex officio), D Watts, Mrs M Piper
12281	Contracts <i>Cllr S Shing arrived at 9.53 am</i> <i>Cllr D Dunbar arrived at 9.57 am</i> a) Grass Cutting The committee discussed at length the issues around both grass cutting and grounds maintenance contracts. They also discussed the values of the contracts which may increase and the likelihood of East Sussex Highways reducing cuts over time. It was agreed that although it may be better to hand over to East Sussex Highways, at this stage without details on the price per cut that was not possible. It was agreed to defer that decision until the prices were known. It was resolved to award the grass cutting contract to Tim Jordan for one year. VOTE 5 for Cllrs D Murray, Ms A Snell (ex officio), D Watts, Mrs M Piper, D Dunbar 1 abstention Cllr S Shing.

b) Grounds Maintenance

A discussion on the merits and pitfalls of having a 5 years contract were discussed by the committee. The committee were satisfied that with appropriate contract monitoring the contract over 5 years was preferable.
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It was resolved to select Tim Jordan for the grounds maintenance contract for a 5 year contract as per the paperwork. VOTE All in favour Cllrs D Murray, Ms A Snell, D Watts, Mrs M Piper, S Shing D Dunbar
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The meeting closed at 10.04 am

Signed by _____ Chair of Finance & Policy

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