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Minutes of Meeting of the **Finance and Policy Committee** held on **13th March 2026** in **Council Chamber, 49 High Street, Polegate, BN26 6AL at 10:00.**

PRESENT: Councillors D Murray, M Cunningham, G Archer, M Caira **(4)**

NOT PRESENT: Councillor M Piper, D Dunbar, D Watts, S Shing, J Keen **(5)**

MINUTES

14049 Item 1: Opportunity for Public Comment for items on the agenda

None

14050 Item 2: Apologies for absence

Apologies from Cllr M Piper, D Dunbar, D Watts, S Shing

No other apologies received

14051 Item 3: Declarations of interest

No Declarations of interest received

14052 Item 4: Minutes of the meeting dated 23rd January 2026

It was resolved to adopt the minutes of the Finance and Policy Committee Meeting dated 23rd January 2026. VOTE all in favour.

14053 Item 5: Payments of accounts as presented

List of payments made between 01/02/2025 – 28/02/2025 = £21,805.48

It was resolved to approve the payments totalling at £21,805.48. VOTE all in favour.

14054 Item 6: Flagpole repairs

Motion to carry out full repairs (and replacement of Pole) for flagpole following emergency repair work and recommendation report. Est cost £1,630.80 excluding VAT from General reserves.

It was resolved to carry out full repairs and replacement of the flagpole and use £1,630.80 from general reserves. VOTE all in favour.

14055 Item 7: New Bridge

Motion to delegate to the clerk to approve the expenditure for the design and specification of the new bridge over the 7.5T bridge at Brightling Road Leisure Ground to enable heavy vehicles into the field. Expected cost IRO £10,000-15,000 from general reserves.

It was resolved to delegate authority to the Clerk to approve the expenditure for the design and specification of the new bridge over the 7.5T bridge at Brightling Road Leisure Ground, to enable access for heavy vehicles into the field. The expected cost is in the region of £10,000–£15,000, to be funded from General Reserves. VOTE all in favour.

14056 Item 8: Motion to move fund from the following budgets to EMR Codes:

- Mayors allowance to be carried to May for £276
- 4131 – Electricity - £1000 to transfer to EMR 331
- 4500 – Toilets High Street Cleaning - £5,000 to Brightling Vandalism new EMR
- 4230 – Skate Park - £3948 to EMR 331
- 4238 – Litter Bins - £1400 to EMR 331
- 4242 – Playground equipment - £2,000 to EMR 331
- 4256 – Urban grass cutting - £1,651 for contractors administration o/s new EMR.
- 4250 – Town Council Elections - £2,000 to EMR 366
- 4230 – Skate Park - £2,948 to EMR 331
- 4238 – Litter Bins - £1,400 to EMR 331
- 4271 – Allotments (Improvements) - £2,500 to EMR 366
- 4280 – Streetlight (Energy) - £15,000 to EMR 331
- 4281 – Streetlight (Maintenance Contract) - £2,000 to EMR 331
- 4382 - Streetlight (Works/ Improvements/ Maintenance) - £8,500 to EMR 331

It was agreed that the above funds be transferred to the specified Earmarked Reserves. VOTE all in favour.

The meeting closed at 10:13am

Signed Chair of Meeting _____ Date _____