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MINUTES OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 3rd DECEMBER 2024 at CIVIC OFFICES COMMENCING at 7.00pm.

Present

Cllr Carter – Chairman	Cllr de Launey	Cllr Pierce	Cllr McGinn	Cllr Cook	Cllr Luter
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Also in attendance: Cllr Gorse, Cllr Lowe, Caroline Mulvihill Deputy CEO

- 77/24 Welcome and Apologies for absence** - Cllr Carter welcomed members to the meeting. Apologies were received from Cllr P Davis and were accepted.
- 78/24 Declarations of interest** - No declarations were received
- 79/24 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 5th November 2024.**
The minutes were proposed as a true and accurate record by Cllr Cook and he was seconded by Cllr Pierce. The following members voted in favour Cllrs Carter, Pierce, McGinn, Cook, Luter and de Launey there were no abstentions and no votes against.
- 80/24 Matters Arising**
- **Christmas Lights** - The Deputy CEO reported that the Christmas Lights had been installed by the new contractor. The Christmas Light Switch On and surrounding areas events had all been successful. There were teething issues with the decoration of the Market Square tree, these were resolved after members of the public attempted to 'decorate' the tree with tinsel. Cllr Carter thanked the contractors and staff involved.
 - **Save a life project** - The Deputy CEO reported that another session had been organised for December and was fully booked. A January session would also be funded to enable numbers to reach the target of 100 people trained in CPR.
 - **Flood Relief Grant** - It was confirmed that the first £800 payment had been sent to the contractors to survey a resident's property.
 - **Library** – There was no further update to report as negotiation's were in the final stages.
- 81/24 Finance Reports (appendix 2&3)**
- a) To agree reports for October 2024**
 - b) To agree payments for October 2024**
Cllr de Launey proposed acceptance of the reports and payments for October 2024, he was seconded by Cllr Luter. The following members voted in favour Cllrs Carter, McGinn, Pierce, de Launey, Cook and Luter, there were no abstentions and no votes against.
 - c) To recommend to Full Council adoption of New Financial Standing Orders 2024 (appendix 4)** This agenda item was deferred to the January Meeting.

- 82/24 To agree the draft budget 2025/2026 for the approval of Full Council on 10th December 2024. –**
Cllr de Launey addressed member's questions regarding the budget and after a brief discussion Cllr Luter proposed the draft budget for the approval of Full Council in December, he was seconded by Cllr McGinn. The following members voted in favour Cllrs McGinn, Pierce, de Launey, Cook, Carter and Luter, there were no abstentions and no votes against.
- 83/24 To propose a precept for 2025-26 for the approval of Full Council on 10th December 2024 -** Cllr Luter proposed £801,747 as the precept for 2025/26 for the approval of Full Council in December, he was seconded by Cllr McGinn. The following members voted in favour Cllrs McGinn, Pierce, de Launey, Cook, Carter and Cllr Luter, there were no abstentions and no votes against.
- 84/24 To receive the notes of the Regeneration Partnership meeting of 21.11.24**
The notes of the meeting were circulated.
- 85/24 To agree the Full Council draft agenda for the meeting to be held on 10.12.24**
It was agreed that some agenda items needed to be amended. Cllr de Launey to liaise with the Town Clerk / CEO
- 86/24 Next Meeting Date –** was agreed as Tuesday 7th January 2025

Chairman.....7th January 2025