

**MARLBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL
FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE**

Minutes of a **Meeting** of the **Finance and Policy Committee** which was held on **Monday, 24 September 2018** in the **Council Chamber, Town Hall, Marlborough** at **8.45pm**

PRESENT	Councillor A Ross	Chairman
	Councillor L Farrell	Town Mayor
	Councillor N Barrett-Morton	
	Councillor N Fogg	
	Councillor H Forbes	
	Councillor G Loosmore	
	Councillor A Wilson	
ALSO PRESENT	Mrs S Parker	Town Clerk
	Mrs C Harris	Assistant Town Clerk
	Councillor M Hall	Observing
	Plus 2 Members of the public	

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were two members of the public present, representing Marlborough District Rangers, one of whom spoke in support of their grant application at Agenda Item 6.

253/18 APOLOGIES
Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Price and Councillor Cairns

254/18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
There were no declarations of interest.

255/18 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS
There were no Chairman's announcements.

256/18 MINUTES
RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held 18 June 2018 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

257/18 TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
Members noted the Town Clerk's Report.

258/18 TOWN COUNCIL GRANT SCHEME
Members considered the three applications and made the following resolutions:

RESOLVED: (a) to award £800 to the Marlborough District Rangers towards a visit to Marlborough Massachusetts, with an added request that the group takes a small gift with them to be presented to the City Council on behalf of the Town Mayor and agree to make a short presentation at the Annual Town Meeting in 2019

RESOLVED: (b) to award £440.00 to the Marlborough Area Development Trust.

RESOLVED: (c) to award £705.00 to Greatwood Charity.

The Chairman thanked members of the Marlborough District Rangers for attending the meeting and wished them every success for their visit to Marlborough Massachusetts which would help to reinforce links with the city.

259/18 COMMITTEE BUDGETS 2018/19

Members noted the committee income and expenditure reports to the end of August 2018 (Month 5). A list of payments for months 3 and 4 were also noted.

260/18 EXTERNAL AUDIT

The Town Clerk confirmed that the External Audit report had not yet been received. On receipt, it would be published immediately and brought back to a future meeting for ratification.

The Chairman passed on his thanks to the Town Clerk and her team for all their hard work in the preparation of the Audit.

261/18 CIVIC WORKING PARTY

Members noted the minutes of the Civic Working Party meeting which took place on 29 June 2018 and the Town Clerk's report which detailed progress with the WW1 commemorations.

It was noted that the brazier for the Beacon Lighting Ceremony on 11 November had been ordered and would be a permanent fixture on The Common; its location was still to be agreed by the A&OS Committee.

It was agreed that the locations for the Commonwealth War Grave signage at entrances to both the Victorian and new cemetery will go to the Amenities and Open Spaces Committee on Monday 1st October for approval.

The meeting closed at 9.11pm

Signed: Date:
Chairman