



PREESALL TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the finance committee meeting held on Monday 21st October 2024 at 6.30pm in Preesall and Knott End Youth and Community Centre

Present: Cllrs P Orme (chair), J Jenkinson, K Shepherd, K Woods

In attendance: Alan Whalley Clerk to the Council.

95 Apologies for absence

Nil

96 Declaration of interests and dispensations

Nil

97 Minutes of the last meeting

Councillors **resolved** to approve as a correct record the minutes, as presented, of the meeting held on 9th September 2024.

98 Public participation None.

99 Monthly payments and Receipts

Due to the meeting scheduled for Monday 14th October being re-scheduled the following payments were **Resolved** to acknowledge and pay at full Council meeting on Monday 14th October. This is therefore for information only:

a) note receipts to 31 st July 2024 Virgin Money account Unity account	NIL £70,000 transferred from Virgin
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b) To approve the following payments:		Bank	
Brunel engraving	BACS 050	Unity	127.08
Payroll	BACS 051, 052, 053	Unity	3,279.13
Lengthsman's Travel expenses (on behalf of council) and Expenses	BACS 054	Unity	7.65
848 Services (Microsoft 365) (Inv.20791)	BACS 055	Unity	9.48
Nick White - Plantsman	BACS 056	Unity	900.00
Wyre Building Supplies	BACS 057	Unity	29.62
LALC – Training	BACS 058	Unity	35.00

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PKF – external auditors	BACS 060	Unity	504.00
Heritage Telescopes	BACS 061	Unity	9,288.00
Royal British Legion – poppy wreaths	BACS 062	Unity	40.00
LCC – supply and erection of SPIDs	BACS 063	Unity	4,771.20
Mayors Charity to NW Air Ambulance	BACS 064	Unity	880.00
Mayors Charity to Fleetwood RNLI	BACS 065	Unity	880.00
HMRC	BACS 066	Unity	1330.24

c) To note the following payments by direct debit		
Unity Bank service charge	Unity	18.00
3 (mobile phone contract) to	Unity	9.40
Easy Web Sites (hosting fee, SSL certificate)	Virgin	76.56
LCC (Pension contributions)	Virgin	455.21

d) The Bank Reconciliation to 31st August 2024 was approved and signed
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100 To note the Bank closing balances as at 30th September 2024

Unity £65,250.94
Virgin £111,113.93
Hampshire £51,244.53

- 101 It was resolved for the clerk to review and recommend a new account to take some of the money from the Virgin account.
- 102 It was resolved to accept the quarterly budget review for Q2 and for the clerk to look at including the % of each budget spent on the information provided.
- 103 It was resolved for the clerk to order six extra bollards for the seated area at the end of Fordstone Ave.
- 104 It was resolved to approve PRS renewing the wiring, lamps and Christmas tree sockets on the run above the card shop and to also to reconnect to allow lights on the guttering of the old NatWest bank.
- 105 It was resolved for the clerk to approach PRS with a view to discussing the provision of a 3 or 5 year fixed price deal for the Christmas lights.
- 106 It was resolved that the clerk is the key contact for all banks and for the clerk to consider on-line banking for all accounts.
- 107 It was resolved for the clerk to look at moving all direct debits to Unity Bank.
- 108 It was resolved to carry forward the acceptance of the new Model Financial Regulations to the next meeting.
- 109 An update was received from the clerk about the Rialtas system which seems to be not appropriate for the financial processing the Council requires. It was resolved that the clerk reviews any other possible systems and provides recommendations as appropriate.

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110 Date of next meeting – 11th November 2024 at 6.15pm

Chairman..... Date.....

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