STREET PARISH COUNCIL

Extraordinary Meeting of the Policy and Finance Committee held in Parish Rooms, 6 Leigh Road, Street, on 1 August 2023 at 7pm

PRESENT:	Councillor P. Goater Councillors: N Kellett, B.Knickerbocker N. Howiantz, T.Napper, H. Shearer and N.Smith
IN ATTENDANCE:	Z. Leach - Acting Clerk/RFO Councillor Swift by invitation
APOLOGIES:	Councillors: P. Birch, S Carswell and L.Wolfers– reasons accepted.

23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

In accordance with the Code of Conduct the following declarations of interest were made:

Councillor Smith declared an interest in the grant application request from the Salvation Army as she contacting local shops and businesses on behalf of The Salvation Army Street Corps for the purpose of encouraging and arranging donations of non-perishable foods for the Street Salvation Army foodbank. Councillor Smith abstained from the discussion and voting process.

24 GRANT APPLICATION – SALVATION ARMY

The grant application from the Salvation Army was circulated to Members in advance of the meeting.

The Salvation Army is requesting £4200 to enable the purchase of Aldi food vouchers for a 30 week period. Donations to the Salvation Army of both money and goods has fallen significantly in the last 12 months due to the cost of living crisis whilst demand for help is growing. The food bank is feeding on average 30 people per week. People receive nonperishable items, fresh food and an Aldi voucher. Aldi vouchers are chosen as they are the only ones that cannot be spent on Alcohol.

RESOLVED:

- A that the Clerk will enquire what proportion of the 30 are repeat families.
- B that the Committee uses its delegated powers to approve an immediate grant of £2000 to the Salvation Army to purchase Aldi Food vouchers; and
 RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND that the Full Council awards the remaining amount requested of £2200.

Meeting finished at 7.10pm

Chair _____