

A MEETING of the POLICY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Held on:	Tuesday, 2 nd April 2024 at 6 pm. Room 6, Crispin Community Centre, Leigh Road, Street.
Members Summoned and Present:	Peter Goater (Committee Chairman), Nicholas Kellett (Committee Vice Chairman) arrived 6.05pm, Simon Carswell, Neil Howiantz, Bryan Knickerbocker and Heather Shearer.
Apologies:	Pam Birch, Terry Napper, Nicola Smith, and Laura Wolfers.
Officers Present:	Zoe Leach, Responsible Finance Officer
In attendance:	Members of the public (0).

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Members of the public are invited to make representations to the Policy and Finance Committee on any matters relating to the work of the Policy and Finance Committee or to raise any issues of concern. Note: The Committee is unable to make formal decisions under this item, but items raised may be recommended for consideration at a future meeting.

There were no members of the public in attendance and the Policy and Finance Committee meeting commenced at 6pm.

MINUTES

62. Apologies for absence
Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Pam Birch, Terry Napper, Nicola Smith and Laura Wolfers and noted.
63. Declarations of interests and grant of dispensations
Councillors were reminded of their duty to declare any interests in the business to be transacted.
No interests were declared.
64. Confirmation of minutes
RESOLVED - The minutes of the Policy and Finance Committee meeting held on 6th February 2024 were approved for signing as a true record of the decisions taken.
65. Somerset Council CCTV
The Full Council agreed at its March Parish Council Meeting to fund 4 cameras once operational with the first payment to be made at 3 months **subject to the Policy & Finance Committee approving the Service Level Agreement (SLA)**. Cost of 4 cameras £11,339.20.

POLICY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Tuesday, 2nd April 2024

RESOLVED:

- i. to approve in principle the CCTV Service Level Agreement (SLA) subject to revisions to the SLA by a subcommittee comprising Councillors Goater, Kellett and Shearer;
- ii. to agree the cost of four CCTV cameras at £11,339.20 to be taken from the CCTV annual budget for 2024/24 of £10,632.00; with the balance of £707.20 from the 2024/25 Council Reform budget-staffing/assets/services.

66. Terms of Reference

RESOLVED – to approve the Planning Committee Terms of Reference and RECOMMEND to Full Council for adoption subject to:

- the name of the committee being the 'Planning Advisory Committee'
- the frequency of meetings being agreed and updated following the annual Council meeting in May

Confidential Items

RESOLVED - in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 amended by the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014, the Committee decided to exclude the press and public for agenda item no 6 as it involved confidential information on staffing matters.

67. Spinal Column Point pay increases from April 2024.

RESOLVED: that the Policy and Finance Committee agree the recommendation of the Staffing Committee that all officers receive one spinal column point pay increase from April 2024.

68. Date of next meeting

RESOLVED: that the next meeting of the Policy and Finance Committee will take place at **6.15pm on Tuesday 7th May 2024** at Room 6, Crispin Community Centre, Leigh Road, Street.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 6.35pm

These minutes were adopted on 7 May 2024 under minute reference ? as a true record of the decisions taken and are duly signed below by the chair of that meeting.

Signed: _____