



TO ALL ELECTORS OF SHEVINGTON PARISH

PC FINANCE COMMITTEE

MEETING

WEDNESDAY 4 SEPTEMBER 2024
THE COMMUNITY CENTRE AT VICARAGE LANE FIELDS
~ AT THE RISING OF THE POLICY & GP COMMITTEE MEETING ~

If you are attending, you are welcome to observe Covid-19 guidelines, if you wish.

AGENDA

1. **Apologies** – to receive apologies from Committee members.
2. **Declaration of Interests** - to receive any declarations of interest (prejudicial or otherwise) with regard to items on the Agenda.
Unless already entered in the Council's Register of Members' interests, members are required to disclose any personal interest, (which includes any disclosable pecuniary interest), they may have in any of the items included on the agenda for the meeting in accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the Council on 17 May 2023. Members are reminded that if they have any personal interests of a prejudicial nature or a disclosable pecuniary interest they must not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter and must leave the room. Any member needing clarification must contact the Clerk.
3. **Minutes of the Last Finance Committee Meeting (5 June 2024)** - to consider, agree and approve the signature of the previously circulated Minutes by the Chairman as a correct record of the meeting. (enclosed)
4. **Quarterly Budget Monitoring** – *for review and approval* (to follow)
5. **Christmas Motifs (Shevington Centre)** – *for approval* (to follow)
6. **Christmas Trees** – *for approval* (to follow)
The costs of the four Christmas trees that the Parish Council usually order (and their fitting and removal) are awaited. If they have not been received in time for this meeting, this item will need to be deferred to the end of the month.
Members are invited to approve the order.
7. **Christmas Tree Fencing** – *for consideration and agreement* (enclosed)
8. **Christmas Decorations** – *for approval* (to follow)
The costs of dressing the four Christmas trees and the lamp posts in Shevington Moor and Appley Bridge are awaited. If they have not been received in time for this meeting, this item will need to be deferred to the end of the month.

Members are invited to approve the costs.

9. Christmas Shop-Front Award – for approval

If the Policy & General Purposes Committee have decided that the Christmas Shop-Front Award should go ahead, a decision needs to be made about the value of the donations made to the charities of the prizewinners' choice. In recent years the value of the donations has been £60 (1st Prize), £40 (2nd Prize) and £30 (3rd Prize).

Members are invited to consider the above donations and approve them.

10. Ongoing Defibrillator Maintenance – for consideration and agreement

Over the Summer the Parish Council funded the replacement of the battery of the defibrillator installed outside the Community Building at Vicarage Lane Fields. We were able to do this because we have a cost centre to which funds have been allocated for expenditure on the maintenance of Vicarage Lane Fields.

We also have funds allocated to a cost centre for upgrades at Forest Fold bowling green and allotments and so would be in a position to fund the replacement of the pads and battery of the defibrillator fitted on the wall at the Scout HQ, when necessary.

New defibrillators were fitted at various locations in the Parish over the past few years using Brighter Borough grants from Wigan Council. Unfortunately, no financial provision was made by Wigan Council for their ongoing maintenance.

When this matter was raised during the recent Council meeting members decided to discuss it further and consider whether the Parish Council could in some way support ongoing maintenance of the defibrillators in the Parish.

11. Financial Aid Applications – for consideration and approval

12. Dates of Next Meetings: 25 September (Council); 30 October (Council)

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Clerk to the Parish Council