

Minutes of the meeting of the Resources Committee held in the Council Chamber, Civic Hall Square, Shildon, Co Durham on Monday, 16th October 2017.

Present: Councillor H Nicholson in the Chair
Councillors A Walker, P Walton, A Farlow, M P Johnson, D Childs, J G Huntington, L Cockfield, S Townsend, L Cockfield, D Reynolds, D A Anderson, D L Mather, L Butterworth and L Deakin, S Quinn and P Quinn.

R 29/17 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor J Miller.

R 30/17 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

R 31/17 Budgetary Control Statement for September 2017

The Town Clerk advised that the budgetary control statement for the period to the end of September indicated a cumulative underspend of £31k. This includes an underspend of £4.75k in respect of the cost of the ordinary election for which the Town Council is yet to be billed.

In addition, the overspend of £5.7k on Parks and Open Spaces – Wages is compensated by an underspend on Cemetery – Wages as a result of a change to the costing of overtime hours.

There were no specific areas of concern from a budgetary control perspective.

Recommended that the report be received.

R 32/17 Grant Aid

Recommended that the following grant be approved under the Parish Councils (General Power of Competence) (Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012 introduced by Sections 1-8 of the Localism Act 2011:-

Every Other Tuesday Group	£50.00
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R 33/17 Accounts

Recommended that the accounts awaiting payment and accounts paid in advance for the month of September 2017 in the sum of £72,797.86 be approved.

R 34/17 Pitman's Parliament, Miners Hall, Durham : Sponsorship of Seat

The Town Clerk presented a report to Members to consider sponsoring a seat relating to a Shildon Colliery within the Pitman's Parliament in the Miners' Hall at Red Hill, Durham, and provided a list of seats and pits for the Shildon area for the information of Members. All proceeds from sponsorship would go towards the restoration of the Pitman's Parliament.

Recommended that the Town Council agree the sponsorship of a seat (Shildon Lodge) in the Pitman's Parliament at a cost of £100 to include a replica token bearing the chosen words of the Town Council to be fixed to the underside of the seat.

Signed
Chairman.....