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**FERRING PARISH COUNCIL  
FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE  
(Advisory Powers Only)**

**Minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting held at 7.30pm  
on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at the Parish Office.**

Present	Councillors	Lesley Young (Chairman)
		Stephen Abbott
		Terry Jackson

1	<p><b>Apologies for absence</b> Apologies were received from Councillors Roger Elkins &amp; Ruth Sims. Councillor Carole Robertson was absent – no apologies received.</p>	
2	<p><b>Declarations of interest</b> There were no Declarations of Interest.</p>	
3	<p><b>Public Question Time</b> There were no members of the public present.</p>	
4	<p><b>To confirm the Minutes of the last meeting 18<sup>th</sup> November 2019</b> The Minutes of the Finance &amp; General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> November 2019 were approved by the Committee as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.</p>	
5	<p><b>Matters arising from the report of the last meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> November 2019</b> There were no matters arising</p>	
6	<p><b>Accounts and Finance</b> The income and expenditure schedule for November 2019 was reviewed and will be recommended for Full Council approval.</p> <p>To define the specific use of the income &amp; expenditure bank accounts, it was suggested that the account descriptions are amended to the following:</p> <p>NatWest Working Account NatWest Holding Account Barclays Holding Account Santander Holding Account</p> <p>The income and expenditure schedule for November 2019 will be amended as above and will be recommended for Full Council approval.</p>	PC
7	<p><b>Parish Clerk Report including Financial Matters</b> There was nothing to mention.</p>	

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8	<p><b>Environment Committee</b>  <b>Warren Pond replacement fencing:</b> Karl Washer produced a quotation of £440 to carry out this work to replace five fence posts and to reinstall the poles and fencing.  <b>Conservation Group, Nature Trail leaflets:</b> It was agreed to donate £100 to print further copies of the useful leaflet.</p> <p>The above will be recommended for Full Council approval.</p>	
9	<p><b>GPG Group</b>  The GPG Group has asked that F&amp;GP Committee considers a recommended amount that should be held in reserves.</p> <p>After a discussion, the F&amp;GP Committee made a recommendation that the Parish Council should hold a reserve of £75,000.00. This amount will be reviewed annually.</p> <p>The remainder of the funds, after Parish running costs, could be used for other Parish Council projects as required and agreed by Full Council.</p> <p>The above will be recommended for Full Council approval.</p>	
10	<p><b>Precept 2020 - 2021</b>  The Committee was asked to consider and recommend the proposed Precept for the financial year 2020 - 2021.  After a short discussion, the below addition was made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Committee Budgets, Environment, to add Maintenance &amp; Cleaning of the War Memorial - £200 (<i>the Clerk will obtain advice reference to the frequency</i>)</li> </ul> <p>The above will be recommended for Full Council approval.</p>	PC
11	<p><b>Urgent matters arising, since the preparation of this Agenda &amp; Items to be referred to next Agenda</b>  There was nothing to mention.</p>	
12	<p>The <b>next Finance Committee Meeting</b> is scheduled for Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2020 at 7.30pm at the Parish Office.</p>	
	<p>The meeting closed at 8.20pm.</p>	