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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 19th February 2024 in the Parish Office**

Present	Councillors	Lesley Young (Chairman)
		Terry Jackson (Vice Chairman)
		Roger Elkins
		Clare Royal
		Andy Walker
		Ruth Arnold

1	Apologies for absence Apologies were received from Councillor Graham Bootle. The apologies were accepted.	
2	Declarations of interest There were no declarations of interest.	
3	Public Question Time There were no public questions.	
4	To confirm the Minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held 22nd January 2024. The Minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee Meeting held 22nd January 2024 were approved by the Committee as a correct record and signed by the Chairman with a slight amendment to minute item 2, capital 'Y' for Councillor Lesley Young.	
5	Actions update from the last meeting Minute item 5, Telescope – the telescope is now fully working. Minute item 5, The benches will be installed in the gated play area in due course. It was noted that a new rubbish bin has been installed on the village green near to the picnic benches. Minute item 9 SGN Gas Works – At Full Council 29 th January, it was noted that FRSA had circulated an update on social media to advise that the Contractor will return to complete the works. Councillor John Tero will ask Conservation Group for the required evidence prior to the Parish Council consideration to contact SGN. Minute item 12 Public Conveniences Village Green – the Clerk will keep the Council informed of the proposed commencement date of the woks.	CLERK

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6	<p>Accounts and Finance December 2023 & January 2024 were reviewed and will be recommended for Full Council approval.</p> <p>The above is recommended for Full Council approval.</p>	
7	<p>Committee to note payments made under dispensation for expenditure for Committee minuted instruction.</p> <p>There were no payments.</p>	
8	<p>Parish Clerk Report including Financial Matters</p> <p>There was nothing to report.</p>	
9	<p>Grant application – Glebelands Community Centre grant application After a brief discussion, the Finance & General Purposes Committee agreed that the Clerk will contact the Glebelands Centre to request clarification of specific projects the grant funding will be allocated to.</p>	CLERK
10	<p>All about Ferring Magazine The Clerk advised that an article advising the Precept 2024 - 2025 will be included in the next edition.</p>	
11	<p>Urgent matters arising, since the preparation of this Agenda & Items to be referred to next Agenda. Councillor Andy Walker advised the Committee that further to the Environment Liaison Committee Meeting 15th January 2024, minute item 7a, the Conservation Group asked if FPC would agree to a further Great Crested Newt survey? A quotation has now been received. The Clerk advised that this will be an item for the next Environment Liaison Committee Meeting agenda. It was noted that if Great Crested Newt are present, that there are environmental processes that must be followed and it was suggested that the Wildlife Trust or Arun District Council may be able to assist.</p>	AW
	The meeting closed at 8.30pm.	
	Date of next meeting Monday 8 th April 2024	
	<p>Minutes approved</p> <p>Chairman Date</p>	