



CITY OF ELY COUNCIL

DECISION LIST FROM THE PERSONNEL, FINANCE & GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THE 9TH OCTOBER 2023 AT 7.00 PM AT SESSIONS HOUSE, LYNN ROAD, ELY

DECISION LIST DATED 19.10.23, SUBJECT TO CALL IN AS PER THE COUNCIL STANDING ORDER 4. s

AGENDA ITEM NO	ITEM	ISSUE	DECISION	ACTION BY
2	Declarations of Interest	To receive declarations of interests from councillors	Cllr Gardner declared a pecuniary interest in grant application No 5 and Cllr Ward declared a pecuniary interest in grant application No 3 as they were employed by the organisations that had applied. They left the meeting when their application was discussed and took no part in the decision.	
5	Update from the Governance Working Group	To receive an update from the Governance Working Group	Notes of the Governance Working Group meeting held on the 5th September were noted. Members agreed to the proposal that the use of substitute councillors be ended with immediate effect, this would be recommended to Full Council for approval. It was also agreed the proposal for the Mayor to become an ex-officio member on all committees, with immediate effect would be recommended to Full Council for approval. Both of these proposals would also require amendment to the Council's Standing Orders. The proposal that the Mayor becomes the Chair of the Personnel, Finance & Governance Committee from May 2024 was felt further consideration needed to be given to this, so would not be taken forward at this time. It was agreed that all Working Groups when setting their meetings should ensure they notify all councillors of the date and time and circulate agendas, so they can attend if they wish to. Officers who are members of the Working Groups should also be informed.	

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7	Update from CIL Sub-Committee and to receive CIL Expenditure Analysis Update	To receive an update from the CIL Sub-Committee and to receive CIL expenditure analysis update	Cllr Phillips presented minutes of the meeting of the Sub-Committee, held on the 25th September 2023, which were noted and approved. The requests for CIL funds with regards to the upgrade to fencing - £15,000; fitness equipment - £21,273 and repair of lamp columns at the Cathedral - £7,266.69 were all unanimously agreed that the criteria had been met. Cllr Ní Dhónaill proposed these three recommendations be approved at the next Full Council. This was seconded by Cllr Moss-Eccardt and unanimously approved. The CIL expenditure analysis update, up to the 31st August was noted.	Full Council
9	Update from the North Ely Hub and Community Working Group	To receive an update from the North Ely Hub and Community Working Group	The Working Group had not met. However, one of the developers of the North of Ely had given a presentation to councillors and notes of this meeting were noted. The Working Group will discuss at their next meeting how they should request organisations to express an interest in running the community centre.	Working Group
11	Update from the Youth Lead	To receive an update from the Youth Lead	Cllr Gardner informed members that work had started on the Youth Action Plan and had met with representatives of East Cambs District Council and Cambridgeshire District Council. Cllr Gardner was in the process of applying for a small grant to support the initial setup of the Youth Council.	Cllr Gardner
13	To receive a report from the Neighbourhood Plan Review Working Group	To receive a report from the Neighbourhood Plan Review Working Group	As Cllr Wade was not present to present the report for consideration and it had been deferred on three occasions it was agreed to note the report and pass it over to the Strategic Plan Working Group to look at in conjunction with the Strategic Plan.	Strategic Plan Working Group

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14	To Consider Further Grant Applications for 2023/24	Consideration of grant applications	Members considered further grant applications for 2023/24 and a list of recommendations for awards will be proposed to the next Full Council meeting, which will be attached to the formal minutes of this meeting.	Full Council
15	To Consider Suggestion From the Chairman of the Council, Cllr Phillips That the Council Appoint 2 Council Ambassadors That can Attend Functions or Events if the Chairman or Vice-Chairman cannot attend	To consider appointment of 2 Council Ambassadors	Cllr Phillips proposed the Council appointed 2 Council Ambassadors who will attend functions or events which the Chairman or Vice-Chairman are unable to attend. One would be the immediate past Chairman and a possible newer councillor. This was seconded by Cllr Moss-Eccardt and unanimously agreed. The Clerk will look at the possibility of providing a chain for them to wear and having a small budget for expenses. The Clerk will email Councillors requesting they nominate themselves if interested in this role.	Clerk
16	To Consider Email from Flight Lieutenant Donoghue, RAFAC	To consider email from Flight Lieutenant Donoghue, RAFAC	Cllr Phillips had requested more information from Flight Lieutenant Donoghue, but this had not been received. It was agreed to defer this item until further information was available.	Cllr Phillips
17	To Appoint two Councillors, who with the Clerk will Look at the Council's Reserves with Regard to the Council's Investment Strategy and Propose Options for Investment	To appoint two councillors to work with the Clerk with regards to options for investment	Cllrs Morgan and Banyard were appointed to work with the Clerk to look at the Council's reserves with regard to the Council's Investment Strategy and propose options for investment.	Clerk, Cllr Morgan and Cllr Banyard
18	To note the Annual Review of the Council's Risk Assessments has now been Completed for 2023/24	To note annual review of the Council's Risk Assessments	Members noted the annual review of the Council's Risk Assessments for 2023/24 had now been completed.	