

Finance committee report

The committee met on the 23rd November.

Internal audit

We heard that the internal audit had been satisfactorily completed - the report will be presented at this meeting. The committee followed the auditor in congratulating the Clerk and the RFO on this result.

Management reports for October

It was noted that all committee budgets were underspent at this point in the year.

S106 and unilateral agreement funds

All the s106 funds have now been expended and discharged with SDC ahead of the due date. Unilateral agreement with Walton Estate: £ 21205.94 remains in this fund: some allocated to various projects, and some as yet unallocated.

Council budget for 2022/2023

Committee budget proposals were considered and accepted

The eight grant applications were considered and details are with your papers for the meeting.

These are confidential and any discussion about them will therefore need to be confidential also.

The overall spend as projected amounted to £283,161

Considering the present and likely level of the general reserves, the committee s that they be drawn on to supplement a precept demand to SDC of £260,000 (current year's demand was for £250,000). A resolution is on the council agenda.

Website

Cllr Prior has become aware that the council website is not compliant with statutory transparency requirements. A recommendation to tender for a company to remedy this in the current financial year is on the agenda. The unforeseen spend will need to come from general reserves.

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