Malvern Wells Parish Council

Councillors are **summoned** to attend the **Meeting of the Finance and Governance Committee** (F&G) at Malvern Wells Village Hall Committee Room at **6pm Wednesday 30th October 2024**.

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Clerk, Dr Kate Howe

23rd October 2024

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Public participation

Residents are invited to give their views and ask questions on the agenda, or to raise issues for future consideration. Time allowed at discretion of the Chair.

<u>Agenda</u>

1. Apologies

a) To receive and consider apologies for absence.

2. Declarations of Interest¹

- a) Register of Interests: Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests.
- b) To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in items on the agenda and their nature.
- c) To declare any Other Disclosable Interests in items on the agenda and their nature.
- d) To Consider Written Requests from Councillors for the Council to Grant a Dispensation. (S33 of the Localism Act 2011)

3. Minutes

a) To consider, if agreed, **approve** the minutes of the previous Finance & Governance Committee meeting held on **30th July 2024** (circulated).

4. Matters Arising

5. Audit

- a) To review internal auditor report, issues addressed, **recommend** necessary action.
- b) To consider external auditor report, issues addressed, recommend necessary action.
- c) To review lessons learned from process, **recommend** necessary actions.
- d) To note, Interim half year audit requested.
- e) To **consider** timetable for next year's audit and **recommend** necessary action.
- f) To consider recommendation for year-end contract for 2024/25, if agreed recommend to council.

6. Bank accounts

a) To **note**, Nat West mandate for new signatories finally approved 22.10.24. But requested amendment signatories to authorise not actioned, complaint to Nat West on ongoing delays.

7. Budget

- a) To consider half yearly budget review 2024/25 recommend necessary action.
- b) To consider initial draft budget 25/26 recommend necessary action.

8. Governance

- a) Consider policy documents circulated, review, if agreed **recommend** to council.
- b) To note review of fixed asset register, updating format to include locations / WhatThreeWords / photos.

9. Website

¹ Councillors who have declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, or another Disclosable Interest which falls within the terms of paragraph 12(4) (b) of the Code of Conduct, <u>must leave the room</u> for the relevant items unless a Dispensation has been requested/granted. Failure to register or declare a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest may result in the commission of a criminal offence.

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- a) To note current website compliance addressed, IT consultant advising, recommend any actions necessary.
- b) To consider quotations for new website, if agreed recommend to council.

10. Council IT / comms

- a) To **note** update on Domain name gov.uk / compliance, IT consultant addressing, **recommend** any associated costs.
- b) To note Clerk data transfer now actioned, delays resulting notified.

11. <u>Reserves</u>

a) To **review** the Council's current reserves, **recommend** any actions necessary.

b) To **consider** appropriate action on investment of reserves funds, and if **agreed** recommend to October Council meeting.

12. Next Meeting dates

a) To agree future 2024 Finance & Governance meeting dates for 2024.