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The Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee on Wednesday 27th April 2022 at 7.30pm in the Old School Hall. Members of the press and public are welcome to attend.

Present : Cllr Martin (Chairman) Tuplin, Rose, Poole, Sanderson, Mulcrone, Gadsby, Whittaker, White

1	Apologies for absence : Laxton
2	Minutes of last meeting dated 23 rd February 2022 - approved
3	Matters arising from previous minutes - none
4	Members Declaration of Interest for agenda items - none
Public Forum: If residents of Sawtry wish to speak on any item on the agenda (max 3 mins) the meeting will be suspended for a 10 minute open forum. If you wish to speak, please inform the Clerk or the Chairman (Cllr Martin) at least 24 hours before the meeting.	
5	Property – Lead Councillor – Cllr Laxton 5.1 Report from working party on Ex-servicemen’s Lease – Deferred pending meeting with the working party 5.2 Garage on The Green and Lock-up roof – quote for replacement of tiles received , and awaiting quote for a new roof – listed building, proposed 3 for tender 5.3 Garages Fen Lane/Cavendish Close – going out to tender to remove – asbestos - noted 5.4 CCTV – upgrade of original analogue equipment to bring in line with newer cameras and equipment – work to be carried out 28 th April 2022 - noted 5.5 Old school Hall repairs- sky lights broken glass damaged caused by falling tile and replace tile, one leaking sky light. Replacement floorboard in the corner of the study. 5.6 – Gas Care plan for Old School Hall to end 27 th April 2022 – Consider replacement cover – planned to no longer have cover in place, and to get boilers serviced once per year.
6	Financial Report: 6.1 Accounts to March 31 st – attached
7	Grants S137 - attached 7.1 – Sawtry Foodbank - £351 – to request financial projections before being approved 7.2 – Sawtry Food bank - £1027 – to request financial projections before being approved 7.3 – Sawtry Foodbank - £895 – to request financial projections before being approved 7.4 – Sawtry Light Factory holiday club - £150 – Cllr Gadsby proposed, Cllr Potter seconded all Cllrs approved 7.5 – Magpas Air ambulance - £ 500 – Cllr Gadsby proposed, Cllr Potter seconded, all Cllrs approved 7.6 – Sawtry library - £200 summer reading scheme challenge – deferred, to look into previous allocation to find out how much will go to the children of Sawtry Village
8	To consider Diversity Policy – Cllr Sanderson – Cllr Sanderson proposed to update our current policy as too basic and reviewed the policy from Birstall Parish Council Cllr Martin proposed to use Birstall’s policy but change the wording slightly. Proposed to invite additional groups to participate in community meetings. To investigate a media group to post on social media on behalf of Sawtry Parish Council –

	ideas to be collated for the next Finance and General Purposes Committee.
9	Donation of a painting – ‘York to London Mail Coach, Archers Wood’ – painting received and awaiting framing.
10	To resolve that the press and public be excluded from the meeting because the business to be transacted contains sensitive information.
11	Staffing Matters: 11.1 new Clerk appointed 4 th April 2022
12	Next meeting – 22 nd June at 7.30pm

Steve Browning,
Clerk to the Council/Proper Officer

Committee: Chairman – Cllr Martin, Vice- Chairman – Cllr Tuplin, Chair of Committees – Potter, Rose,
Members of Staffing Committee – Cllrs Laxton, Gadsby, White