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These are the minutes of the of the Finance and General Purposes Committee on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2024 at 7.30pm in the Old School Hall. Members of the press and public are welcome to attend.

## Minutes

1	Apologies for absence – Cllr Bingham - Approved
2	Minutes of last meeting dated – 21st February 2024 – 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 Tuplin) at least 24 hours before the meeting.	
5	<p>Property – Lead Councillor – Cllr Potter</p> <p>5.1 The Lock up – Roof repair update – HDC Heritage have requested that a bat survey is to be carried out – this has been booked for 1<sup>st</sup> July.</p> <p>5.2 War Memorial maintenance – 2 quotes received. Approved quote from Fenland Stoneworks Ltd for £1440. Proposed Cllr Sanderson seconded Cllr Whittaker and all in favour.</p> <p>5.3 Belgrave Square – One off repair from the Road to the Parish Car Park – final letter to be approved. Proposed by Cllr Sanderson seconded by Cllr Whittaker and all in favour.</p>
6	<p>Financial Report:</p> <p>6.1 Accounts to 31st May 2024 – previously circulated - Approved</p> <p>6.2 Budget – to 31st May 2024 – previously circulated - Approved</p>
7	<p>Grant Requests Section 137 – Section 137 of the local government act 1972</p> <p>CARESCO - Foodbank requested £500 – Previously circulated – Approved proposed by Cllr Potter seconded by Cllr Whittaker and all in favour.</p> <p>Sawtry Light Factory Holiday Club - funds requested £150 – Previously circulated – Approved proposed by Cllr Sanderson seconded by Cllr Potter and all in favour.</p>
8	To resolve that the press and public be excluded from the meeting because the business to be transacted contains sensitive information.
9	<p>Staffing Matters:</p> <p>9.1 – Update from the Clerk</p> <p>No issues to report</p> <p>Unions currently in dispute with the Government over this year's pay rise, they have recommended strike action ballots to members are due to be completed by 10<sup>th</sup> July.</p>

Steve Browning,  
Clerk to the Council/Proper Officer

Committee: Chairman – Cllr Tuplin, Vice- Chairman – Cllr Potter, Chair of Committees – Cllr Bingham, Cllr Whittaker, Cllr Sanderson

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