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**FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSE MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY 26 JULY 2022 @ 7.00 PM**

<b>Present:</b>	
<b>Councillors:</b>	K Smith (Chairman), (Mrs) J Bishop, G Evans, (Ms) J Murphy, K Saunders and S Wolfensohn
<b>Town Clerk:</b>	(Mrs) D Rose
<b>Assistant Town Clerk:</b>	(Mrs) C Haines
<b>Representatives:</b>	Ian Webb (Chairman) – Visit Highworth Limited
<b>Members of the Public:</b>	6, R Williams – Market Manager

<b>Apologies:</b>	Councillors: (Mrs) L Vardy (Unwell) and S Weisinger (Work Commitment)
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15	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:</b>  None	
16	<b>PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (Maximum 10 Minutes) &amp; CORRESPONDENCE:</b>  An email was received from Councillor S Weisinger regarding Agenda Item 4 - Visit Highworth Limited (VHL), advising Councillors he disagrees with providing further funding to VHL.	
17	<b>MINUTES OF THE MEETING:</b>  <b>RESOLVED</b> to confirm and sign the Minutes of the Finance & General Purpose Meeting Tuesday 28 June 2022.	
18	<b>VISIT HIGHWORTH LIMITED:</b>  Presentation received by Ian Webb giving an overview of the work being undertaken by VHL:  VHL post COVID have received just under 3000 visitors, VHL provides many activities for the Community and visitors to the Town such as Guided Walking and Wildlife Tours, Christmas Craft Fair and Spring Craft Fair held in St Michael's Church, Arts and Crafts Workshops, Storytime with award winning author Neil Griffiths plus more. VHL is members	



	<p>of both Great West Way (Tourist Information) and Visit Wiltshire. They assist with the annual selling of Firework tickets and Mayor's raffle tickets, and support Highworth Town Council with surveys and questionnaires. VHL support local artists selling their products. There is also a museum operated by Highworth Historical Society.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> by Councillor K Saunders, Seconded by Councillor G Evans, to give financial support to Visit Highworth Limited for the municipal year 2022/2023 up to £12,000.00. Voting was unanimous and the Resolution was duly carried.</p>	
19	<p><b>ACCOUNTS:</b></p> <p>The Accounts listed on pages F.18 to F.26 were accepted and the payments of Bills were duly authorised.</p> <p>Councillors unanimously approved virement for:</p> <p>a. 4330/240 Neighbourhood Plan to 4110/220 Office Expenses of £800.00 b. 4000/310 Grounds Staff to 4610/320 Street Cleaning of £2000.00</p>	
20	<p><b>MARKET MANAGERS REPORT:</b></p> <p>The Market Manager advised there is capacity to expand the Market. A full report will be given on recommendations to take this forward at the next Finance &amp; General Purpose Meeting on 27 September 2022.</p>	RW
21	<p><b>MEMBERS' BUSINESS:</b></p> <p>None</p>	
	<b>Meeting Closed 7.37 PM</b>	

Signed: .....

Date: .....