

RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING

Held at 7.00pm on Wednesday 14th February 2024 at Desford Library, Main Street, Desford, LE9 9JP

MINUTES

Present – Cllr M Cosgrove (Acting Chair), Cllr C Crane, Cllr G Eldridge and Cllr P Treadwell Also, present Pip Gould (Clerk) and Julie Frost (Admin Assistant)

1. Apologies

Cllr C Oakes and Cllr McMillan Apologies were received and accepted.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. To approve the minutes of the Resources Committee meeting held on Wednesday 10th January 2024.

The minutes were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chair.

4. To receive bank statements for January 2024

The bank statements were received and noted for **Recommendation** to Council.

5 To receive and approve the Cashbook statement up to the end of January 2024 and recommend payment of invoices.

The invoices were considered and are to be **Recommended** to Council for payment.

The cashbook statement was received and noted.

Payments for approval in February 2024							
Debits that will be paid from account515 in February							
Zoom	£12.99	£2.60	£15.59	4	Debit Card (Gocardless)		
Terrain - H&S advisors	£8.32	£1.66	£9.98	35			
HSBC Bank Account Fees	£8.00	£0.00	£8.00	6			
	£29.31	f4 26	£33 57				

DPC Accounts Payable (from Account087)	Invoice exc vat	VAT	Invoice total	Budget Line	Notes	
					Paid 26/01/2024 - On January Statement &	
Staff Salaries - January	£2,920.03	£0.00	£2,920.03	28	included in BACS figures above	
Payment to HMRC for Tax and NI relating to January salaries	£482.77	£0.00	£482.77	29		
NEST Pensions (Employer and Employee contributions) January	£93.23	£0.00	£93.23	31	DD	
Vaterplus - Allotments Water	£31.85	£6.37	£38.22	19B	DD	
Naterplus - Cemetery Water	£28.07	£0.00	£28.07	19A	DD	
GoCardless Wemtech - Monthly Office 365 Fees	£43.89	£8.78	£52.67	5	DD	
Npower Street Lighting - Inv 09613307	£271.97	£13.60	£285.57	21	DD	
R&CA Advisory (Book-keeper) January 2024 Invoice 24001	£87.30	£0.00	£87.30	33		
M&BG Ltd (Grounds Maintenance monthly invoice 99432)	£2,009.67	£401.93	£2,411.60	11A		
Scribe - Accounts Software Inv 5340	£2,536.00	£507.20	£3,043.20	33		
Wicksteed - Playground Replacement Parts & Fitting Inv 824272	£1,307.26	£261.45	£1,568.71	17		
Pi - Annual Playground Inspections Inv 66637	£426.00	£85.20	£511.20	17		
LRALC - Internal Audit Service - Inv 19/3704	£370.00	£0.00	£370.00	1		
HBBC - Recreation Ground Bins - Inv 4003085857	£453.96	£90.79	£544.75	20		
BT Invoice	£53.72	£10.74	£64.46	9	DD - Last seen by book keeper	
/our Locale YL/DPCR/07 Review Invoice	£1,500.00	£300.00	£1,800.00	41	Covered by Grant (Line 61 of budget)	
Handyman Steve Hopkinson	£60.00	£0.00	£60.00	32		
WestEnd Pest Control 2024-2	£150.00	£0.00	£150.00	18	Moles at Cemetery	
Burial Officer Exp Mileage	£9.00	£0.00	£9.00	30		
SLCC membership 12 months plus joining fee	£244.00	£0.00	£244.00	35	will have different budget line next year	
	£13,078,72	£1,686.06	£14,764.78			

<u>Desford Parish Council - 14 February 2024</u>	Cashbook			
Accounts and Invoices for Recommendation to Council				
Opening Balances 01st January 2024	Projects & Gr	£8,002.60		
	Current Acco	unt 087		£42,052.73
	Debit Card Ad	count 5	15	£935.94
	Precept Rese	rve Accoun	it 072	£118,349.11
			TOTAL DPC=	£169,340.38
	Desford in Bl		nt 064	£54,431.69
	DiB Petty Cas	sh		£53.48
			TOTAL =	£223,825.55
Transactions in Current Account087 in January 2024				Budget Line
Payment to BT (Direct Debit)			-£64.46	9
Payment to Waterplus - Cemetery Water (Direct Debit)			-£27.33	19A
Waterplus - Allotments Water			-£38.22	19B
NEST Pension Payments Covering December 2023			-£93.23	31
Payment to Npower for Street Lighting(Direct Debit)			-£271.45	21
Payment to Go Cardless Wem Tech			-£104.15	5
Payments in the form of 15 BACS Payments (refer to Bank Statement)			-£12,405.75	-
HMRC PAYE/NIC Payment covering December			-£395.58	29
HSBC Bank Account Fees			-£10.50	6
Allotment Income			£501.00	59
Cemetery Income			£350.00	60
cenetery income			£350.00	60
		Total =	-£12,559.67	
	Transaction			
Transactions of515 (Debit Card Account) January 2024	exc vat	VAT	Transaction total	
Zoom Monthly Subscription	-£12.99	-£2.60	-£15.59	4
Terrain - H&S advisors	-£8.33	-£1.66	-£9.99	35
HSBC Bank Account Fees	-£8.00	£0.00	-£8.00	6
HBBC Non Domestic Rates -Kirkby Road (02nd January 2024)	-£92.00	£0.00		25
www.Fenlandleisure.co.uk/Office Desk	-£39.17	-£7.83		8
www.remanucistre.co.un/ornec besit	233.17	27.03	£0.00	U
Tota	l -£160.49	-£12.09	-£172.58	
Transactions for Projects & Grants Reserve Account253 January 2024				
Nil				
	Accoun	t Balance =	£8,002.60	
Transactions for Precept Reserve Account072 December				
Gross Interest Received			£197.01	58
	Accoun	t Balance =	£118,546.12	
	Transaction			
Transactions DiB Account064 January 2024	exc vat	VAT	Transaction total	
DiB Donations & Grants	CAG THE		£10.00	
Heritage Donations & Income			210.00	
Undefined Donations & Grants				
Heritage Christmas Stall Receipts				
HSBC Bank Account Fees	-£62.13	£0.00	-£62.13	
HBBC - Additional Wheelie Bins for Christmas Event Inv 9003085750	-£131.54	-£26.31		
JG Holier - Heritage Inv 2401 1181	-£180.00		-£180.00	
Digital Woodcrafts - Heritage Inv 19453	-£234.00		-£234.00	
Syston Band - Heritage	-£350.00		-£350.00	
BS & LA Grimshaw - Heritage Expenses	-£23.99		-£23.99	
RA Treadwell - Heritage Expenses	-£48.66		-£48.66	
RA Treadwell - Heritage Expenses	-£18.87		-£18.87	
	Accoun	t Balance =	£53,366.19	
Council Funds at 31st January 2024			Account 253	£8,002.60
Council I ulius at 313t Jaliuai y 2024	Current Accou		ACCOUNT 233	£8,002.60 £29,493.06
	Debit Card Account			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
			072	£763.36
	Precept Reserv	e Account	TOTAL DPC=	£118,546.12 £156,805.14
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DiB Funds total = £32,799.22 plus PC of £108.48 Heritage Funds total = £20.566.97			C UU4	£53,366.19 £108.48
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			TOTAL =	£210,279.81

6. To receive and note the Parish Council Income & Expenditure and Financial summary of budgetary analysis up to the end of January 2024.

There was an in-depth budgetary analysis discussion.

The Committee considered and noted the income and expenditure for the month and compared month and year to date figures against the budget.

Subject to a minor amendment in budget line allocation they will be **Recommended** to full Council for approval.

7. Proposed Budget for Desford in Bloom 2024/2025

The Clerk presented the final proposed budget for Desford in Bloom Working Group Expenditure of £28,780.00 and an income of £11,700.00 and Desford Heritage Working Group Expenditure of £15,037.00 and income of £7170.00 which will be **Recommended** to Council. However, it was noted that expenditure for both Working Groups was more than its proposed Income. Therefore, the Committee would like to receive 3-year plans from both working Groups to better understand their longer-term forecasts.

There was a query relating to the installation of additional heritage boards, that would lead to all the existing boards need to be updated and a cost for this had not been included in the budget. Cllr Eldridge also suggested that the option to download a QR code may allow up to date information to be more readily available.

		Expenditure	Notes		
Plants		£4,500.00	Summer/Winter Plants, Peren	iale Bulbe for railway n	roject Faux Plants
Compost		£1,000.00	150 x £6.00 Allowing for new		•
Plant Consumables		£400.00	Blood, Fish and bone, miracle s		
		£2,000.00	Blood,Fish and bone, miracle g	grow, ant powder etc e	tc
Equipment		· ·			
Website		£150.00	E. J. B. B. B. B. B.		
Stationary		£1,000.00	Envelopes, Paper, Printing etc		
Maintenance of Equipment		£600.00	Lawnmower, Power tool and	a Bowser Maintenance	
Planter & Baskets		£2,500.00	New planters and Baskets		
Maintenance of Planters & Baskets		£600.00	Repairs (Possibe)	New parts	
Re-occuring Costs		£180.00	Brown Bins(120.00)		
School		£350.00	DIB provides plants and other	items to help the scho	ols gardens
Projects (Railway Project & Pump)		£10,000.00	See Below proposals		
Petty Cash		£200.00			
Events		£4,000.00			
Bank Charges		£300.00			
Contingency		£1,000.00	To cover any accidents, damage, or thefts.		
		-£28,780.00	Idea's for Projects		
			Shed	£ 4,000.00	
	<u>Income</u>		Blue Heart Verge	£ 700.00	
			Railway Project	£2,000.00	
Sponsors	£2,500.00		Other Projects	£ 3,300.00	
Events	£8,000.00				
Piggy Banks in Shops	£100.00				
Sales of baskets & Plants	£100.00			£ 10,000.00	
Grants	£1,000.00				
	£11,700.00				
Income less Expenditure		-£17.080.00			

with the intention o	f supporting the designated projects.				
	Desford Heritage Working Group	Proposed Budget to April 2025			
Project	Description	Basis	Budget income	Budget	Total
leritage trail board	le .			expenditure	
		trail (1 provided by the Duchy of Lancaster and 2 by the Heritage Working Group) plus 1 replacement board a	nd repairs to 2 others		
Proposed works	Graphic design	Quote		420	
	Production and installation	Prior year quote plus inflation at 20%		2,157	
	Replacement board	Estimate based on above quote		1,546	
	Maintenance	Estimate		1,500	
	Contingency	In the case of price increases or unknown extras		1,000	
Total				6,623 -	6,623
Heritage trail map					
		the public to follow the trail with supporting information			
Proposed works	Graphic design	Quote			
	Printing of the maps	Historic work completed		- 600	
	Contingency	In the case of price increases or unknown extras		500	4
Total				1,404 -	1,404
Heritage walks	ided college false Health and the second in the second				
	ided walks of the Heritage trail providing refreshme		200		
Proposed works	Donations from participants Uniform	Estimate 6 across the year. Historically each walk attracts donations of approximately £50	300	300	
		T-shirts, hoodies and coats (x3)	-	60	
	Refreshments	£10 per walk In the case of price increases or unknown extras	-	200	
Total	Contingency	In the case of price increases of unknown extras	300 -	560 -	260
	and Santa's Workshop		500 -	360 -	200
	ford Christmas tree festival and provide a Christma	s market and Santa's workshop			
Proposed works	Stall fee income	15 stalls at £50	750		
Toposcu works	Santa tickets	250 visits in PY expecting 250 visits at £5 in CY	1,250		
	Tombola and Games	Experience from prior events	1,000		
	Drinks/food offering	Elf canteen - sales (approx. 25p per item, sold at £1 each)	250		
	Drinks/food offering	Elf canteen - stock		150	
	Brass band and music offering	Historic quotes		500	
	Santa's workshop	Historic work completed		300	
	Santa gifts	250 children at £3 maximum	-	750	
	Banners x 3	Historic work completed	-	150	
	Reindeer food	Historic work completed	-	100	
	Printing	Historic work completed	-	400	
	Bins	Historic work completed		200	
	St Johns Ambulance	Historic work completed	-	200	
	Contingency	In the case of price increases or unknown extras	-	500	
Total			3,250 -	3,250	-
	amily History Group				
	blishment and continuation of The Desford Heritag	e Family History Group			
Proposed works	Opening ring fenced amount	Brought forward	3,332		
	Attendees fee	8 members at £3 per month	288		
	Publication/Magazine subscriptions	Estimate 6 magazines across the year at £6 each	-	100	
	Refreshments	Current prices	-	100	
	Graphic Design - for posters, badges and roller				
	banner	Historic quotes	-	400	
	Printing second flier	Historic quotes	-	200	
	Roller banner	Quote	-	230	
	IT Equipment	Potential 4 additional laptops	-	-,	
	Anti-virus software - annual fee	Research on costs	-	200	
	Stationery and welcome packs	Historic work completed	-	200	
	Possible room charges	Guidance from PC	-		
Total	Contingency	In the case of price increases or unknown extras	3,620 -	500	
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8. To consider an application for Sport in Desford for a S106 contribution towards tennis club supplies and consider approval of subsequent application to HBBC

The Clerk presented information and a spreadsheet provided by Sport in Desford. The Resources committee identified their preferred suppliers with a subsequent total of £2,731.12 which will be Recommended to Full Council.

Action: The Clerk was asked to include further clarification from the S106 team regarding any S106 remaining funding and the relevant timescales to present to Full Council.

9. Consider schedule of charges for the Publication of Information (Publication Scheme)
A schedule of charges was presented which will be Recommended to Full Council.

Schedule of Charges

Please note that no charge will be made for documents sent via e-mail except in rare cases where the information is not readily available in which case the Clerk's time will be charged at £20.00 per hour (pro rata).

Type of charge	Description	Basis of charge
Disbursement cost	Photocopying @ 30p per sheet (black & white)	Actual cost of printing ink and paper
	Photocopying @ 60p per sheet (colour)	Actual cost of printing ink and paper
	A3 available	Price on Request
	Postage	Actual cost of Royal Mail standard 2 nd class
Statutory Fee	Not applicable, unless a search is required, when the actual statutory fee will be charged, plus any photocopying required	In accordance with the relevant legislation
Other	Clerk's time involved in gathering information, photocopying etc.	Actual cost £20 per hour (pro-rata)

10). (Cler	k's	Re	port
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None

11. Information from Members

DIB have formally requested that the Resources Committee consider the purchase of a stone effect planter for Hunts Lane to replace the remaining wooden planter. In principle the committee will recommend to Full Council to purchase a replacement planter subject to the Clerk confirming with DIB the additional cost information regarding soil and plant requirements and therefore, it is proposed, that the total cost be represented to Resources in March.

The meeting closed at 8.03pm		
Chairman	Date	