

FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Minutes of Finance and Management Committee held in Council Chambers, Nant Hall Road, Prestatyn on 8th October 2025 at 19.42 – 19.55.

PRESENT

Committee Members: Cllrs C Holliday (Chairman), I Lifford, A West, G Sandilands, C Evans, J Matthews (R).

Observers: Cllrs T. Jones MBE, A. Sampson, A. Tomlin, J. McLellan (R), P. Duffy, B. Williams, J. Thompson-Hill (R), K Clewett.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr N. Acott – Locum Town Clerk / Responsible Financial Officer, Miss. S. Clarke - Assistant Town Clerk, Ms. D. Butters – Administration Support Officer, Ms. A. Frend – Administration Support Officer (agency)

APOLOGIES

Councillors: E. Heaton, G Frobisher, S Frobisher

73 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors and staff were reminded of the need to declare personal and/or prejudicial interest in tonight's proceedings in accordance with the Code of Conduct legislation. None received.

74. FINANCIAL EXPENDITURE

Details of BACS Payment, Payroll, and Standing Orders/Direct Debits had been circulated with agenda papers.

RESOLVED

That following payments be approved:-

- (i) BACS Payments 4/5/6 – July/August/September 2025.
- (ii) Payroll P4/P5/P6– July/August/September 2025.

Queries were raised about IPRW and One Voice Wales payments which were answered accordingly. Unfortunately, during this item there was a heated disagreement amongst some councillors with a lack of respect and

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professionalism particularly from two individual members. Such was the tone of disrespect it would require further action to be taken.

- (iii) Standing Orders and Direct Debits – July/ August/ September 2025.

75 BUDGET PROVISION 2026/27

Committee was invited to identify any significant change to service provision and/or funding streams required during forthcoming budget preparation.

Members identified several areas that would impact upon budget provisions including level of DCC car parking subsidy to free parking; additional cleaning and repair works to bus shelters; recruitment and staffing costs; additional landscaping/environmental works in town; concerns were also expressed regarding the public conveniences and the significant impact DCC proposals would have upon the Town's resources.

Locum Town Clerk stated that staffing levels are at crisis point, and this must take priority for the Councillors. It was acknowledged that event planning is currently being shared out amongst existing staff because of an acute lack of resource for this service. Members agreed to make staff recruitment a priority.

Chairman Carol A. Hordley