MINUTES OF THE BY FINANCE & RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 9th FEBRUARY 2026.

471. PRESENT – Councillors S. Ellis (Vice Chair), P Upton, I. Plant, D. Wilson, A. Thomas and J. Jervis.

472. APOLOGIES – Councillor V. Wheeldon and D. Faulkner

473. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – Cllr S Ellis declared an interest in the payment for approval for the Community band due to a family member and the flower club as he is a regular attendee to events.

RESOLVED ITEMS

474. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF MONDAY 26th JANUARY 2026 –

This item was deferred until the next meeting to allow for the members to review the minutes.

475. PAYMENTS FOR APPROVAL FEBRUARY 2026–

Description	Supplier	VAT Type	Net	VAT	Total
Insurance Claim - VAT element	DAC Beachcroft Claims Ltd	S		177.60	177.60
Skate Park Repairs	Bencrete Leisure Ltd	S	1,310.00	262.00	1,572.00
Maintenance Contract	Happy Pig Company	Z	1,137.00		1,137.00
Maintenance Contract	Happy Pig Company	Z	25.00		25.00
Big Tourism Conference Jan 26	Staffordshire County Counc	S	40.00	8.00	48.00
Office Cleaning	Happy Pig Company	Z	131.25		131.25
Town Centre Notice Board	LC Construction Ltd	S	735.00	147.00	882.00
Salaries & Employment Liabiliti	Cheadle Town Council	Z	6,841.46		6,841.46
	Total		**10,219.71**	**594.60**	**10,814.31**

476. MISCELLANEOUS GRANT FOR CHEADLE FLOWER CLUB

The committee reviewed the grant application and unanimously approved - Cllr S Ellis abstained from the vote.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO FULL COUNCIL

477. APPROVE THE BANK RECONCILIATION FOR DECEMBER 2025 – The bank reconciliation for November 2025 was reviewed and accepted as a true record with the corresponding bank statements signed and approved.

478. PAYMENTS & RECEIPTS LIST REPORTS FOR DECEMBER 2025 –
Reviewed & accepted reports as a true record, with a recommendation for Full Council to approve.

	Bank Reconciliation at 31/12/2025			
	Cash in Hand 01/04/2025			304,728.76
	ADD			
	Receipts 01/04/2025 - 31/12/2025			477,478.60
				782,207.36
	SUBTRACT			
	Payments 01/04/2025 - 31/12/2025			218,989.38
A	**Cash in Hand 31/12/2025** (per Cash Book)			**563,217.98**
	Cash in hand per Bank Statements			
	Petty Cash	31/12/2025	100.00	
	Business Money Manager	31/12/2025	564,121.04	
	Current Account	31/12/2025	2,500.00	
				566,721.04
	Less unpresented payments			3,491.05
				563,229.99
	Plus unpresented receipts			
B	**Adjusted Bank Balance**			**563,229.99**
	Error A does NOT equal B			
	ERROR IS	**£-12.01**		

479. REVIEW OF CHARGES, GAME, BURIAL, VENUE HIRE –
The Committee reviewed the Council charges and agreed that burial fees would be increased by 3.5% to coincide with the SLA charge increase. It was further agreed that games charges would remain unchanged for the next financial year, as they were increased last year following the upgrade of facilities

COMMITTEE ACTION PLAN

480. MID TO LONG-TERM FINANCIAL PLANNING This item was reviewed as part of the budget process and will remain a standing agenda item going forward. Following the site visit by Cllr Plant, the urgent matters raised — specifically footpaths and fencing — will be included on the next L&O Committee agenda for progression. Full site risk assessments will be undertaken, and maintenance plans will be developed for each site.

481. WEBSITE UPDATE
The website is operational, the snagging issues are been worked on by the developer and all will be confirmed and correct with a deadline of the end of March.

482. APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDITOR
The RFO advised the Committee of the recent confirmation from the current Internal Auditor is no longer offering the service. The RFO reached out to the local other clerks for recommendations and the Committee instructed for them to be contacted.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

483. COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER TELEPHONE & BROADBAND QUOTES

Item deferred as the additional quotes have not yet been received from the providers requested at the last meeting. The RFO has requested the quotes as instructed.

There being no further business the meeting was brought to a close.

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