MEETING OF THE FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSE COMMITTEE

Tuesday 30th June 2026 at 10.00am
Small Meeting Room, The Old School Building, Main Street, Burton Joyce, Nottingham NG14 5DZ

Present: Cllrs P Hyde (Chair) J Johnson (Vice Chair) and Y Greenfield
In attendance: J Sherrin (Clerk – Minutes) L Wright (Ops Manager and RFO) and D List (Grounds & Amenities Manager)

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26/598 **Apologies for absence** – Cllrs R Rolls (work) and H Gregory (work)

26/599 **Declaration of interests for items on the agenda** - None

26/600 **Minutes of the previous meeting –**

i) Minutes of the meeting 9th April 2026 – approved as a true record and signed by the Chair

ii) Matters arising – none

26/601 **Walkabout update and agree future actions** – List updated with priorities and costs where applicable. G&AM advised temporary goal posts in The Grove were broken last summer and a set of more permanent ones would be better, in order to have somewhere to direct children when 3G not available. Clerk to approach TVCs for Community Grant to fund this. Also to advise PCSOs of times to call by the 3G following recent problems. Plaque ordered for Dorothy Pinkett's deer. Family and carer group to be advised once installed. Difficulty with Credit Cards reaching max limit as being used to purchase of Poplars Beer discussed. RFO to explore if a bank transfer can be used as an alternative for the purchases. If not, to consider changing Financial Regulations to increase maximum from £500 to £1000 to RFO and Clerk's cards (in line with G&AM's card).

26/602 **Grants and funding**

i) NCC LCF Grant – Clerk advised that this is up to £20k capital grant. Requires 50% match funding in place. Closing date 24th July. Agreed other grants higher priority as more likelihood of success, deadline too close with no match funding in place.

ii) Football Foundation grants – RFO informed councillors of 2 possible grants – one for pitch maintenance and one for equipment (e.g. watering system, disc seeding, storage containers …). Requires registration of Poplars site, registration of staff members and specific grounds training for 2 staff (cost £75-80 each). Both for £25k and require 25% of the funding. Both to be applied for by RFO. BJFC to be asked to contribute the 25% as request extra storage for chairs etc.

Clerk reported on GBC "Pride In Place" grant has just been launched for applications of up to £25k. Noted it has a tight time scale and closing date of 14th August, with project completion February 2027. Could possibly be used for MUGA being proposed by Poplars Committee for Roberts Recreation Ground. As likely cost anticipated to be in excess of £40k, s106 £20k maintenance fund from the Ashdale development could potentially be used to supplement it, with approval from GBC. Other possible grants for this are from FCC Communities. Clerk and G&AM to investigate potential costs. Working Group to be formed, for now Cllrs J Johnson, P Hyde and Y Greenfield, G&AM, RFO and Clerk. To be added to Full Council agenda.

RFO and Clerk chasing s106 £45k capital fund from Ashdale development for OSB hard-standing resurfacing.

26/603 **Potential sponsorship at Poplars** – RFO advised of requests to put advertising banners at the Poplars Sports Ground, for which there currently is no policy. Agreed that a new policy should be written. Policy to allow up to a total maximum of 8 banners on display at any one time in all areas of the ground (cricket, football, archery, bowls, petanque..) for 1 year at a cost of £100. To code to Poplars income.

26/604 **Review of Poplars Room hire and Bar pricing** – Proposal approved

Due to the confidential nature of the following items to be transacted, members of the public are kindly requested to exit the meeting.

26/604 **Insurance claim** – Update provided

26/605 **To receive information regarding pension payments and agree actions** – Agreed for Parish Council to pay outstanding sum.

26/606 **Information update.** No further updates

26/607 **Date of next meeting – Tuesday 11th August 10am**

Signed:_____ **Date:_____**
Chair of Finance & General Purpose Committee

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