

Minutes of the Meeting of the **FINANCE COMMITTEE** held in the Four Clocks Centre, Bishop Auckland on **TUESDAY, 3rd SEPTEMBER 2019 AT 5.00 P.M.**

Present: Councillor Wilson (Chairman) and Councillors Allen, Blackburn and S. Zair

Also Present: David Anderson (Town Clerk)

FIN.18/19 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were submitted by Councillor Brownson and Chappell

FIN.19/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Item No 2.a Authorisation of Cheques, Written Under Delegated Powers

Councillor S. Zair declared a 'disclosable pecuniary interest' in respect of cheque number 1838 and did not take part in the discussion or voting thereon.

Item No 3.c Funding Requests, Bishop Auckland Town Team

Councillors Allen and Blackburn declared an 'other registerable interest' in respect of the request from Bishop Auckland Town Team to draw funding to cover the cost of the 1040's event, did not take part in the discussion or voting thereon.

FIN.20/19 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public in attendance.

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

FIN.21/19 ACCOUNT BALANCES AS AT 3rd SEPTEMBER 2019

The Town Clerk reported account balances as follows: -

Lloyds Deposit Account	£79,459.92
Lloyds Current Account	£21,117.94
Darlington Building Society	£85,234.18
Nationwide	£85,550.65
Santander	£85,000.00
NE First Credit Union	£85,000.00

RECOMMENDED: That the information be noted.

FIN.22/19 AUTHORISATION OF CHEQUES – DELEGATED POWERS

In accordance with delegated powers, payments totalling the amounts below had been made as detailed in the report. (For copy see file of Minutes).

Current Account	£37,855.83
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RECOMMENDED: That the action taken be confirmed.

FIN.23/19 CHEQUES PRESENTED FOR AUTHORISATION

No cheques were presented for authorisation.

FIN.24/19 FUNDING REQUESTS

Consideration was given to funding requests from the following organisations; -

Bishop Auckland Football Club
Friends of Stockton and Darlington Railway

Signed:
Chair

Bishop Auckland Town Team

The Committee also considered a request from Bishop Auckland Tennis Club to defer payment of a grant awarded to them until 2020/21 financial year.

As a result of the declarations made in respect of the request from Bishop Auckland Town Team the meeting became inquorate. This item was therefore deferred to Council for a decision.

- RECOMMENDED:**
1. That in respect of the request from Bishop Auckland Football Club, further information be requested regarding sponsorship of an advertising board.
 2. That the Town Council become corporate members of the Friends of Stockton and Darlington Railway at a cost of £50 per year.
 3. That the grant offered to Bishop Auckland Tennis Club be withdrawn and the Club be requested to re-apply in 2020/21
 4. That the request from Bishop Auckland Town Team be deferred to Council.