

331/18 **Declarations of Interest**

The Chairman received the following declarations of interest on this occasion:

Cllr N Best – Subsidies 2019/20 – (Personal and Prejudicial Interest – Former Chair of Northumberland Credit Union)

332/18 **Public Participation Time**

There were no members of the public present who wished to ask a question on this occasion.

333/18 **Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 6th March 2019**

The minutes of the above meetings were approved as a true record.

RESOLVED

- (i) That the minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee be approved, and signed as a correct record by the chair.

334/18 **Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising on this occasion.

335/18 **Authorisation of Payments**

An amended payment list for March (2) 2019 and April 2019 were circulated for consideration.

RESOLVED

- (i) That members agreed the amended payment lists for March (2) 2019, totalling £69,623.10, and April 2019, totalling £49,008.50.

336/18 **Updates from Working Groups**

a. Parish Boundary Working Group

Cllr Bawn informed members that following the leaflet drop to residents in Hebron, seven emails had been received, four were in favour, two were undecided and one was against the proposal. A further four people were in agreement following discussions at the Morpeth Forum drop-in.

Cllr Cassie queried whether an application for changes to the whole new boundary proposal would be made without full approval of Hespcott and Mitford Parish Councils. Cllr Bawn informed him that the full proposal would still be submitted, with approval of Full Council.

Cllr R Wearmouth suggested that further discussion will be held with Mitford Parish Council to clarify their position.

RESOLVED

(i) Information duly noted.

b. Morpeth Partnership Working Group

The Deputy Clerk informed members that there is no update to be given as no further meeting has taken place.

RESOLVED

(i) Information duly noted.

c. Morpeth Forum

Cllr Best informed members that over one thousand people had attended the drop-in session. Proposals for the new leisure centre had been well received, and responses on social media had been largely positive.

Cllr Cassie enquired if the information from the drop-in session could be found online. Cllr R Wearmouth informed him that it could be found on the NCC website and could be circulated for information. Cllr Best suggested that the results also be posted on the Morpeth Town Council (MTC) website.

Cllr Bawn informed members that the new leisure centre would go to consultation in May 2019.

The next meeting of the Morpeth Forum will take place on Tuesday 23rd April 2019.

RESOLVED

(i) Information duly noted.

(ii) To post the information from the drop-in session on the MTC website.

d. CCTV Working Group

The Deputy Clerk informed members that she has chased NCC several times for a quote for works but had not yet received it. The quote has been delayed due to problems with the Street Lighting Programme.

RESOLVED

(i) Information duly noted.

(ii) To chase NCC again, copying in Cllr R Wearmouth.

e. In Bloom Working Group

Members were provided with the notes of the meeting held on 19th March 2019.

Cllr Thompson raised concerns regarding the watering of hanging baskets and planters for businesses in the town following the sale of Heighley Gate Garden Centre to Dobbies.

The Deputy Clerk informed members that the Clerk is in discussions with Dobbies.

RESOLVED

- (i) Information duly noted.
- (ii) The Clerk to provide an update at the next meeting of this committee.

337/18

Subsidies 2019/20

Members were provided for information with documents from the following organisations in relation to their 2018/19 subsidy:

- Contact Morpeth Mental Health Group
- Greater Morpeth Development Trust (GMDT)
- Northumberland Credit Union
- Barnabas Safe & Sound
- Voicemale Choir
- Northumberland Theatre Company

Members agreed that the reports were an accurate reflection of how the subsidies are used.

Cllr R Wearmouth informed members that he had a tour of the train station, which is currently being refurbished by GMDT, and that the works are progressing nicely. He also informed members that there would be a ceremony to celebrate the opening of it once works had been completed.

RESOLVED

- (i) Information duly noted.

Cllr Best declared a personal and prejudicial interest in this matter – see min 331/18.

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Abbey Meadows Speed Sign

Cllr R Wearmouth informed members that he proposes to install a new speed sign on Abbey Meadows from his Small Schemes budget to reduce the speed of motorists passing the school. He suggested that the sign could potentially be moved to different areas so that motorists don't get used to the

one position. Other potential areas could be Loansdean and next to St Mary's Church.

Cllr R Wearmouth also suggested that the task of moving the sign could potentially be assigned to the NEAT Team as part of their usual rota of tasks.

RESOLVED

- (i) Information duly noted.
- (ii) Cllr R Wearmouth to bring the item back for discussion following further consideration on how best to manage a portable unit.

339/18

Local Council Issues

Cllr Bawn informed members that the next meeting of the Local Area Council will take place on Monday 8th April 2019. It will be a planning only meeting.

There were no other issues raised on this occasion.

RESOLVED

- (i) Information duly noted.

There was no other business to discuss and the meeting concluded at 6:56pm with Councillors D Bawn, Best, Cassie, Gebhard, Thompson, J Wearmouth and R Wearmouth present.

SIGNED: 
DATE: 1/5/19
CHAIRMAN/VICE-CHAIRMAN
WORPETH TOWN COUNCIL
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Morpeth Town Council
Authorisation of Payments - March 2019 (2)

Supplier	Cheque No.	Description	Net Amount	VAT	Gross Amount
			£	£	£
NCC	BACS	Xmas lights - installation/removal and testing of anchor bolts	15,798.00	3,159.60	18,957.60
Jewson	BACS	Play Parks maintenance	81.91	16.38	98.29
Jewson	BACS	Carlisle Park maintenance	16.59	3.32	19.91
Jewson	BACS	General Maintenance	8.32	1.66	9.98
Northumberland Cleaning	BACS	Caretaker duties February 2019 -SPCC	459.00	0.00	459.00
Northumberland Cleaning	BACS	Caretaker duties February 2019 -SJCC & Terrace	684.25	0.00	684.25
Thomas Owen & Sons Ltd	BACS	Terrace car park cleaning goods	70.44	14.09	84.53
Thomas Owen & Sons Ltd	BACS	Terrace car park cleaning goods	4.35	0.87	5.22
Thomas Owen & Sons Ltd	BACS	SJCC Cleaning goods	53.58	10.72	64.30
Thomas Owen & Sons Ltd	BACS	SPCC Cleaning goods	12.44	2.49	14.93
Thomas Owen & Sons Ltd	BACS	SPCC Cleaning goods	46.35	9.27	55.62
Signs of the Times Ltd	BACS	Town Signs	2,542.80	508.56	3,051.36
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Northumbria Fencing	BACS	Allotment Maintenance	887.20	0.00	887.20
NCC	BACS	Town Hall Rent	12,000.00	0.00	12,000.00
Jewson	BACS	Allotment Maintenance	54.16	10.83	64.99
Jewson	BACS	Seat Maintenance	26.85	5.37	32.22
SSE SWALEC	BACS	Electricity SJCC	41.16	2.05	43.21
NCC	BACS	Salaries February 2019	12,681.78	3.42	12,685.20
Morpeth Window Cleaners	BACS	Windows cleaned SJCC, & SPCC	60.00	0.00	60.00
Jewson	BACS	Seat maintenance	41.46	8.29	49.75
Jewson	BACS	Allotment maintenance	115.70	23.14	138.84
Jewson	BACS	Allotment maintenance	67.16	13.43	80.59
Jewson	BACS	Allotment path maintenance	67.16	13.43	80.59
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NCC	BACS	HR Agreed Retainer Fee	295.00	59.00	354.00
NCC	BACS	Additional HR Advice	5.17	1.03	6.20
Annodata	BACS	Office Photocopies	177.87	35.57	213.44
ABS Business Supplies Ltd	BACS	Bus Station Cleanig Supplies	132.00	26.40	158.40
Jewson	BACS	General Maintenance	14.46	2.89	17.35
Jewson	BACS	Allotment Maintenance	36.30	7.26	43.56
Jewson	BACS	Allotment Maintenance	15.65	3.13	18.78
Jewson	BACS	Allotment Maintenance	45.29	9.06	54.35
Jewson	BACS	Allotment Maintenance	12.40	2.48	14.88
Jewson	BACS	Allotment Maintenance	7.34	1.47	8.81
Jewson	BACS	Allotment Maintenance	137.36	27.47	164.83
Jewson	BACS	Allotment Maintenance	15.13	3.03	18.16
Jewson	BACS	Allotment Maintenance	211.74	42.35	254.09
Graham - Plumbers Merchant	BACS	SJCC maintenance	73.28	14.66	87.94
NCC - Salaries	BACS	March 2019 Salaries	12,681.78	3.42	12,685.20
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Northumberland Cleaning	4776	Caretaker Duties - SPCC	620.5	0	620.50
Northumberland Cleaning	4776	Caretaker Duties - SJCC	573.75	0.00	573.75
Northumberland Cleaning	4776	Caretaker Duties - Terrace Car Park Toilets	263.50	0.00	263.50
			61,139.18	4,046.14	65,185.32
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Direct Debits Paid March 2019					
Gaffey	DD	Hyprolyser Rental March 19	295.00	59.00	354.00
Team Valley Web Design	"	Website Hosting March 19	41.67	8.33	50.00
Wave	"	SPCC Water 15.11.18-14.2.19	42.67	0.00	42.67
Wave	"	SJCC Water 15.11.18-14.2.19	136.76	0.00	136.76
Wave	"	Wellwood Gardens 15.11.18-14.2.19	13.80	0.00	13.80
Wave	"	Duncan Gardens 15.11.18-14.2.19	21.18	0.00	21.18
Wave	"	St Mary's Field 15.11.18-14.2.19	13.80	0.00	13.80
EE&T-Mobile	"	MTC Office Mobile	47.93	9.59	57.52
Pitney Bowes	"	Qtrly Lease from 9.3.19	73.44	14.69	88.13
PWLB	"	2018/19 2nd half Repayment	1748.00	0.00	1,748.00
Bankline	"	Online Banking Charges	32.50	0.00	32.50
Wave	"	Padding Pool 15.11.18-24.2.19	1126.74	0.00	1,126.74
Worldpay	"	Transaction Fees Feb 19	15.14	0.03	15.17
Worldpay	"	Subscription Fee March 19	7.50	1.50	9.00
Corona	"	SPCC 1-28.2.19	15.06	0.75	15.81
Sub Total Direct Debit Payments			3,631.19	93.89	3,725.08



Morpeth Town Council
Authorisation of Payments - March 2019 (2)

Supplier	Cheque No.	Description	Net Amount £	VAT £	Gross Amount £
Petty Cash March 2019					
Iceland	4775	Corporate Refreshments	16.07	3.22	19.29
Iceland	"	Parlour Visit	5.00	1.00	6.00
Home Bargains	"	Allotment Maintenance	2.90	0.58	3.48
Home Bargains	"	SJCC & SPCC Cleaning Supplies	1.66	0.33	1.99
Sub Total Petty Cash Payments			25.63	5.13	30.76
Credit Card February 2019					
Amazon	DD	Stationery	12.80	0.00	12.80
Washroom Hub	"	Bus Station Toilets Cleaning Supplies	13.43	2.69	16.12
DynoRod	"	SPCC Drain Clearance	180.00	0.00	180.00
Washroom Hub	"	Bus Station Toilets Cleaning Supplies	24.99	5.00	29.99
Allotment	"	BIB Refreshments	45.20	0.00	45.20
Trainline	"	Rail Travel	147.13	0.00	147.13
Playdale	"	Playarea Maintenance	80.72	18.35	99.07
Sure Green	"	Allotment Maintenance	99.99	0.00	99.99
Amazon	"	Office Equipment	30.99	0.00	30.99
Amazon	"	Allotment Maintenance	17.19	3.46	20.65
Sub Total Credit Card Payments			652.44	29.50	681.94
Total Payments F&GP Committee 3rd April 2019			65,448.44	4,174.66	69,623.10

Morpeth Town Council
Authorisation of Payments - April 2019

Appendix C.

Supplier	Cheque No.	Description	Net Amount £	VAT £	Gross Amount £
Citizens Advice Bureau	BACS	2019/20 Subsidy Payment - Yr 2 of 3	10,500.00	0.00	10,500.00
Clock Tower Bell Ringers	BACS	2019/20 Subsidy Payment - Yr 2 of 3	800.00	0.00	800.00
Ellington Colliery Band	BACS	2019/20 Subsidy Payment - Yr 2 of 3	750.00	0.00	750.00
Millennium Green Trust	BACS	2019/20 Subsidy Payment - Yr 2 of 3	1,450.00	0.00	1,450.00
Morpeth Antiquarian Society	BACS	2019/20 Subsidy Payment - Yr 2 of 3	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
New Voices Choir	BACS	2019/20 Subsidy Payment - Yr 2 of 3	320.00	0.00	320.00
Northumberland Community Enterprise	BACS	2019/20 Subsidy Payment - Yr 2 of 3	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
Northumberland Domestic Abuse Service	BACS	2019/20 Subsidy Payment - Yr 2 of 3	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
Red Squirrels	BACS	2019/20 Subsidy Payment - Yr 2 of 3	200.00	0.00	200.00
Northumbrian Gathering	BACS	2019/20 Economic Development - Yr 2 of 3	750.00	0.00	750.00
Morpeth Market	BACS	2019/20 Economic Development - Yr 2 of 3	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
Morpeth Pipe Band	BACS	2019/20 Retainer	1,380.00	0.00	1,380.00
Morpeth Sports Council	BACS	2019 Sports Awards Contribution	200.00	0.00	200.00
Rialtas Business Solutions	BACS	Bookings S/ware Annual Support 2019/20	285.00	57.00	342.00
Rialtas Business Solutions	BACS	Allotments S/ware Annual Support 2019/20	165.00	33.00	198.00
Rialtas Business Solutions	BACS	Omega S/ware Annual Support 2019/20	926.00	185.20	1,111.20
Sanderson Arcade	BACS	Bus Station Toilets Cleaning contract 1/4/19 - 30/6/19	4,817.25	963.45	5,780.70
NCC	BACS	Council Tax SPCC 2019/20	2,946.00	0.00	2,946.00
NCC	BACS	Council Tax SJCC 2019/20	1,890.35	0.00	1,890.35
NCC	BACS	Council Tax Bus Station 2019/20	3,197.08	0.00	3,197.08
NCC	BACS	Council Tax Terrace Car Park Toilets 2019/20	486.09	0.00	486.09
Zurick Municipal	BACS	Inspection contract 2019/20	6,684.90	1,022.18	7,707.08
			46,747.67	2,260.83	49,008.50

**Total Payments F&GP Committee 3rd
April 2019**

46,747.67	2,260.83	49,008.50
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