

**MINUTES of FINANCE Committee for OAKTHORPE, DONISTHORPE &
ACRESFORD PARISH COUNCIL meeting held on 24 June 2019 @ 6.30pm
Oakthorpe Community Leisure Centre**

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PRESENT: Cllrs D. Gelder (Chair), S. McKendrick, D. Warren, Clerk Lindsay Swinfield

1901 APOLOGIES – Nil

1902 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – Nil

1903 TO NOMINATE A CHAIR OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Cllr S. McKendrick nominated Cllr D. Gelder to be Chair of the Finance Committee – **RESOLVED**, unanimous. Cllr D. Gelder accepted.

1904 The budget projections were reviewed – **RESOLVED** unanimous to have a 3 year budget projection in future.

1905 Clerk/RFO to provide a separate budget sheet for Oakthorpe Centre for Finance Committee meetings – **RESOLVED** unanimous.

1906 All agreed that income fees for the Centre need to be monitored to highlight low usage periods which can then be targeted.

1907 All agreed reserves need to be built to cover contingencies and projects.

1908 All agreed the budget deficit needs to be clearly reported to full Council, with a clear recovery plan and to maximise Oakthorpe Centre as the main asset to the Parish.

1909 All agreed that a rise in the precept will be a consideration, however this to be put before full Council.

1910 All agreed that general communication needs to be improved – 3 Views News, other mediums?

1911 All agreed that future projects for the Parish will need grant funding – continue to try to obtain S106 funding.

1912 Need consistent updates from Centre Caretakers re maintenance and contingency costs. Look at including potential new Centre users income (on assumption that x client = £).

1913 All agreed that Centre Caretakers continue to offer (if appropriate) free taster sessions x 1, with reduced fees for 1 other session, then to full payment per session, to be reviewed on a regular basis.

1914 **RESOLVED** unanimous – general budget deficit for 2019/20 and knock-on effect - defer to full Council pending further investigation.

1915 **RESOLVED** unanimous – Finance Committee to meet in September 2019 for a full half year financial review. If necessary, meet prior to that date.

Meeting closed @ 8.08 pm

Chair Signature:
Date: