OTTERY ST MARY TOWN COUNCIL

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10TH December 2020

A Meeting of the **Finance Committee** of Ottery St Mary Town Council will be held virtually on **TUESDAY 15th DECEMBER 2020 at 10.30 am** to consider the matters detailed on the Agenda below

Yours faithfully

C J McIntyre

Christine McIntyre Chief Executive Officer

GENERAL INFORMATION

Due to new Government Legislation, The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 (LAPCP Regulations 2020) this Town Council's Standing Orders have been updated to allow the use of remote meetings while social distancing is in place.

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Topic: FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING **Time:** Dec 15, 2020 10:00 AM London

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AGENDA

1. To receive apologies

2. To receive Declarations of interest for items on the Agenda and receipt of requests for new Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPIs) dispensations for items on the Agenda

3. In consideration of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted): to agree any items to be dealt with after the public and press have been excluded

4. To approval and sign the Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting of 15th October 2020

5. Update and recommendations re the annual grants to be awarded

6. Consideration of proposed rules and regulations for the Council's Large Organisation Grant Scheme

- 7. Consideration of financial requirements of Committee Chairs
- 8. To recommend approval of the revised accountancy fees for 2021/22
- 9. To note and confirm the Council's current insurance providers
- 10. To consider Stephens Scown remaining as the Council's legal advisors

11. To consider recommending approval of: a Review of the Effectiveness of Internal Audit, Statement of Internal Control, Investment Strategy and Internal Audit Plan for the 2020/21 audit

12. To consider and make recommendations re room hire charges for the Council meeting room/chamber

- 13. To consider and make recommendations re tenants rentals
- 14. To consider and make recommendations regarding Members Allowances 2021-22
- 15. To consider staff salaries 2021/22 and to make recommendations
- 16. To note and confirm the current rent freeze re allotments rentals

17. To consider an increase in cemetery fees and other associated cemetery costs and make recommendations

18. To consider and make recommendations regarding the earmarked reserves and the Council's current policy document relating thereto

- 19. To consider an alternative authority for the Council's banking payment system
- 20. To consider:
 - i. a draft budget and
 - ii. to recommend a Precept for the financial year 2021-2022
- 21. To receive Councillors' questions relating to Finance