FINANCE & POLICY COMMITTEE

The Minutes of the proceedings of the hybrid meeting of the Finance & Policy Committee, held on Monday 20th July 2026.

PRESENT: Councillor D. Challenger (in the Chair).

Councillors: N. Davies, R. Davies, C. Griffiths, M. Hanson, E. Jones, M. Moore, V. Nevitt, M. Perfect, V. Perfect and M. Whittaker.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Councillors M. Buckley, I. Roberts and J. Stoneley.

IN ATTENDANCE: L. Wood, Town Clerk and N. Thornton, Support Officer and Members of the Public.

64. PUBLIC ENQUIRY ITEM

There were no public enquiry items.

65. DECLARATION OF INTEREST – MEMBERS CODE OF CONDUCT

There were no declarations of interest made.

66. MINUTES

Councillor M. Whittaker proposed the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 15th June, 2026 be approved, which was seconded by Councillor R. Davies.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 15th June, 2026 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

67. CLERKS REPORT

The Town Clerk reported that successful grant applications had resulted in funding being awarded by Flint & Holywell Rotary Club, Flint Masonic Lodge and The National Lottery to support the Town Hall Community Coffee Mornings. The grants will assist in the continued delivery of the well-attended community sessions.

Councillor M. Perfect thanked the Town Clerk and staff for their hard work in securing the grant funding and for their continued commitment to the Community Coffee Mornings.

Councillor M. Whittaker commented that he had attended the coffee mornings and had seen first-hand the positive impact they have in bringing people together, reducing loneliness and strengthening community connections. He described the initiative as invaluable to the town.

Councillor R. Davies, having attended many times, he echoed these comments, highlighting the significant benefit the coffee mornings provide to many residents. He noted that they offer an important opportunity for social interaction, helping to reduce loneliness and create lasting friendships, and thanked everyone involved in making the initiative such a success.

68. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The accounts for payment totalling £29,829.34 were circulated to Council for approval.

Councillor E. Jones proposed the approval of the accounts, which was seconded by Councillor M. Whittaker.

RESOLVED: That the accounts for payment totalling £29,829.34 on the schedule be approved for payment.

69. BUDGET MONITORING REPORT

The meeting considered the Budget Monitoring report and Bank reconciliation statement, copies of which had been previously circulated to Members. See Appendix A.

Councillor M. Hanson proposed the approval of the Budget Monitoring report and Bank reconciliation statement, which was seconded by Councillor M. Perfect.

RESOLVED: That the financial information be noted and approved.

70. COUNCIL POLICIES

The Council considered the following Council Policies for approval and adoption.

Annual Report
Retention Policy

Councillor N. Davies proposed the approval of the Annual Report and Retention Policy which was seconded by Councillor M. Moore.

RESOLVED: That the Annual Report and Retention Policy were approved and adopted.

71. TO APPROVE ANY MATTERS OF A FINANCIAL NATURE AGREED AT THE COMMITTEE MEETINGS OF THE 20th JULY, 2026

Councillor M. Whittaker proposed the approval and adoption of the financial recommendations made at each of the Committee meetings earlier this evening, which was seconded by Councillor N. Davies.

RESOLVED: The Council approved and adopted all financial recommendations from the Committee Meetings.

Date of Council Meeting	Monday 20th July, 2026
……………………………………………… **Chair**	