FINANCE & POLICY COMMITTEE

The Minutes of the proceedings of the hybrid meeting of the Finance & Policy Committee, held on Monday 19th October 2026.

PRESENT: Councillor E. Jones (in the Chair).

Councillors: M. Buckley, N. Davies, R. Davies, C. Griffiths, M. Moore, M. Perfect, V. Perfect, J. Rees and I. Roberts.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Councillors D. Challenger, M. Hanson, V. Nevitt, J. Stoneley and M. Whittaker

IN ATTENDANCE: L. Wood, Town Clerk and N. Thornton, Support Officer.

121. PUBLIC ENQUIRY ITEM

There were no public enquiry items.

122. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – MEMBER'S CODE OF CONDUCT

There were no declarations of interest made.

123. MINUTES

Councillor N. Davies proposed the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 21st September, 2026 be approved, which was seconded by Councillor M. Perfect.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 21st September, 2026 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

124. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The accounts for payment totalling £17,405.72 were circulated to Council for approval.

Councillor M. Perfect proposed the approval of the accounts, which was seconded by Councillor N. Davies.

RESOLVED: That the accounts for payment totalling £17,405.72 on the schedule be approved for payment.

125. 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. Perfect proposed the approval of the Budget Monitoring report and Bank reconciliation statement, which was seconded by Councillor R. Davies.

RESOLVED: That the financial information be noted and approved.

126. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATIONS

The Council considered the financial assistance application from Flint Litter Pickers. Councillor M. Perfect proposed that a donation of £497.00 be awarded to the organisation in recognition of their work in Flint. This was seconded by Councillor M. Moore.

Councillor R. Davies proposed an amendment to include the gifting of equipment previously donated by local businesses for the Council's Weed Busters project, which had unfortunately not received the level of support initially pledged by businesses. The amendment also included offering the remaining £80.54 from donations received for the Weed Busters project. This amendment was seconded by Councillor M. Perfect.

Councillor I. Roberts suggested that Council should consider making an annual donation to this group considering all they do for the town.

RESOLVED: That a financial assistance award of £497.00 be made to Flint Litter Pickers, and that the organisation also be offered the equipment held for the Weed Busters project, together with the remaining £80.54 in donations.

127. CHRISTMAS DONATIONS

The Council considered the list of groups and organisations that have previously received a Christmas financial donation.

Councillor M. Perfect proposed that the list be approved, subject to all groups and organisations being contacted to confirm that they were still operational. This was seconded by Councillor N. Davies.

RESOLVED: That the below Christmas donations are made.

Name of School / Organisation	Amount
Ysgol Croes Atti	£50.00
St. Mary's Primary School	£50.00
Cornist Park Primary School	£50.00
Gwynedd Primary School	£50.00
Ysgol Pen Coch	£50.00
Flint High School	£50.00
St. Richard Gwyn High School	£50.00
Ysgol Maes Hyfryd High School	£50.00
1st Flint Cubs	£50.00
3rd Flint Rainbows	£50.00
3rd Flint Guides	£50.00
3rd Flint Brownies	£50.00
St. Mary's Mother Union	£50.00
St. John's Ambulance	£50.00
St. Thomas' Church (children's activities)	£50.00
Llys Raddington	£75.00
Croes Atti Residential Home	£75.00

128. INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL FOR WALES (IRPW): CONSULTATION ON DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT 2027/28

The Council considered the draft annual report of the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales 2027/28.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

129. EXTERNAL AUDIT 2025-2026

The Council considered the External Audit Report for 2025–2026 and noted the issue raised regarding the publication of the Declaration of Members' Interests Register on the Council's website. The Town Clerk confirmed that this had now been published. The Clerk also advised the Council regarding the publication of the Notice of Inspection.

Councillor M. Perfect proposed that the External Audit Report be accepted, and this was seconded by Councillor N. Davies.

RESOLVED: That the External Audit Report for 2025-26 be accepted and agreed.

130. COUNCIL POLICIES

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

Complaints Procedure
Local Resolution Procedure
Grievance Policy

Councillor M. Perfect proposed the approval of Complaints Procedure, Local Resolution Procedure and the Grievance Policy which was seconded by Councillor N. Davies.

RESOLVED: That the Complaints Procedure, Local Resolution Procedure and the Grievance Policy were approved and adopted.

131. SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT

The Town Clerk referred to the Service Level Agreement with Holywell Garden Centre and advised that, following the increase in the Town Caretaker's working hours, all tasks covered by the agreement could now be undertaken in-house.

Councillor M. Perfect proposed that the Service Level Agreement be terminated. She thanked Holywell Garden Centre for the work carried out in the town to an excellent standard and also commended the Town Caretaker for the excellent work he was undertaking.

The proposal was seconded by Councillor N. Davies.

RESOLVED: That the Service Level Agreement with Holywell Garden Centre be terminated.

132. TO APPROVE ANY MATTERS OF A FINANCIAL NATURE AGREED AT THE COMMITTEE MEETINGS OF THE 19th OCTOBER, 2026

Councillor M. Perfect 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 19th October, 2026**
…… **Chair**	