POLICY, GOVERNANCE & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Date: Monday, 20 November 2023

Title: Financial Matters referred from Spending Committees

Contact Officer: Deputy Town Clerk

Background

It is the Council's usual practice that all matters discussed, and recommendations made by spending Committees which have financial implications, are reported to this committee. This Committee is responsible for the overall fiscal management of the Council.

Current Situation

Parks & Recreation – 30 October 2023

There were no financial implications from decisions made at this meeting for the current fiscal year.

Halls, Cemeteries & Allotments – 6 November 2023

There were no financial implications from decisions made at this meeting for the current fiscal year.

Stronger Communities – 13 November 2023

Youth Council reformation – the Committee asked for further information on training workshops provided by the British Youth Council for young Councillors. Information is provided as Appendices A&B. Officers are awaiting further clarification on the prices.

2024/25 budget considerations are not included within this report which focuses on spending in the current fiscal year.

Environmental impact

Having declared a Climate Change Emergency at its Council meeting on 26 June 2019 Councillors should have due regard to the environmental impact of any decisions they make with regard to its facilities and services it operates.

Risk

In decision making Councillors should give consideration to any risks to the Council and any action it can take to limit or negate its liability.

All the Council's Committees receive financial reports to conduct its checks and balances and consideration is given to budgets and funding availability when agreeing expenditure.

Financial implication

The report forms part of the Council's mechanisms for budgetary control. Specific financial implications are detailed.

The cost of training by the British Youth Council is not budgeted for in the current fiscal year. Members may like to request further funding from the 2024/25 budget (from April 2024).

Recommendations

Members are invited to note the report and consider the following:

• Agreeing the recommendations of the spending committees as detailed above.