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Hythe Town Council

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Report number F&GP/36/20

To Hythe Town Council

Date 1 April 2021 Status **Non Exempt**

Responsible officer Responsible Financial Officer

Subject REVIEW OF VARIABLE DIRECT DEBITS REPORT

F&GP/36/20

SUMMARY: This report provides a list of variable direct debits and recommends the Committee reviews in accordance with good practice.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION:

The Committee is asked to agree the recommendations set out below because:-

- a) The Council is committed to control and manage its financial affairs in accordance with The National Association of Local Councils (NALC) guidelines.
- b) The Council adheres to the Financial Regulations item 6.6

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. To receive and note the report F&GP/36/20
- 2. To resolve to approve the attached payees.

INTRODUCTION

The Council is required to review and approve the use of a variable direct debit payment to certain suppliers every two years as per Financial Regulations item 6.6.

This report was last reviewed and noted at F&GP meeting 11 April 2019 Min no.361/18. Since that meeting there have been a few changes and this report asks the Committee to note the changes therein.

CONTACT OFFICER

If you have any queries about this report please contact The Responsible Financial Officer of the Council

Tel: 01303 266152 or email RFO@hythe-tc.gov.uk prior to the meeting.

Hythe Town Council - Payments - Direct Debits

Adobe Acropro - PDF Software £181.10 pa

Castle Water – water rates – allotments & South rd - Variable Bi annual (usually June & Dec)

Automated Systems (ASL)/ PEAC – Photocopier and telephone system - Variable monthly

British Telecom – Telephone costs - Variable monthly approx. £190

BULB – Gas and Electric costs – Variable monthly (Oaklands, Town Hall and Pavilion)

Business Stream – Variable (Feb & Aug for Pavilion & Town Hall) (March & Sept for Council Offices)

EDF - Electric costs - Skate park and Bunker £17 per month (to be transferred to BULB) .

Folkestone and Hythe District Council - Business Rates for 2021.22 will be (Individual £785, £125, £235, £695, £2308 Totals £4,148

Folkestone and Hythe District Council – Grounds Maintenance 2020.21 rate £4120.77 monthly

O2 Business mobile - Tennis & Bowls square card mobile £32.40 monthly.

Pitney Bowes – Variable as and when ink cartridges need replacing (once to twice a year)

Sage - £14.40 and £159.00 monthly for payroll and accounts software

Veolia – Variable monthly - Usual collection charges £15 Council Offices, *£74.50 to £93.12 South Rd) *Prices do not include annual purchase of bags

Vodafone – Monthly website costs- £24.00 per month, Office mobile and Office broadband £42.23

Zoom - IT platform - Monthly £11.99