

Committee: FULL COUNCIL

Date: 16th May 2023

Title: Direct Debit and Regular Payments

Purpose of Report

To review and approve the Direct Debits and regular payments for 2023-2024

Recommendation:

The Council resolves to approve the Direct Debits and regular payments for financial year 2023-2024 and agree to the membership of the professional bodies and organisations identified in this report.

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1. It is good practice to review the Direct Debits and regular payments at the start of the new financial year.
2. The list of payments for 2023-2024 planned for the current financial year are listed in **Appendix 17A**. These are based on 2022-2023 costs, due to not receiving current years invoices, they are subject to variations. Where any variations to the payments are notified to officers these will be communicated to Members.
3. Included in the payments are memberships of professional bodies as per Section 5.k.xv of the proposed Standing Orders. This states that the council should *Review of the Council's and/or staff subscriptions to other bodies*.
4. The Council currently subscribes to:
 - a. Somerset Area Local Councils (SALC & NALC)
 - b. Institute of Cemetery & Crematorium Management (ICCM)
 - c. Somerset Playing Fields
 - d. Parish Online
 - e. Southwest Councils
 - f. Fields in Trust
 - g. Edge Software
5. Members resolve to accept and approve all of the payments listed on the Appendix and agree to the membership of the professional bodies and organisations identified in this report.

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