Agenda item F06:04/23 - RFO

Unfortunately, after our Full Council meeting, our locum Clerk decided he did not have the time to spend on our council.

We have hopefully secured some temporary part time admin help 2 days a week.

However, this still leaves us with a full time Clerk missing from her role and the Assistant Clerk having to do both roles.

If it was not for the considerable time spent by Cllr Hillman, I think we would have already crashed.

It is our year end and election year and so these next few months will create lots of extra work, all of which we are required to do by law.

I am getting increasingly concerned that the amount of work to do is too much for the number of staff we have available and although we have asked for help from LALC this is not very quick at materialising.

The RFO role is a very important role and one which I am not qualified to do. We have been in contact with LALC and West Lindsey to try and get some help, but because we are such a large council it is proving very difficult to find someone to help.

I have paid the wages, but other than that I have not paid invoices. I am hoping to spend some time doing this next week; however, I must learn the system first.

So, I am bringing this to the attention of the Finance committee so that they can take any actions they feel are appropriate to securing we meet all our deadlines and legal obligations.

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