

TWYFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held at The Loddon Hall, Twyford on Thursday 8th December 2005 at 7.45pm.

Present: - Mr R Mantel (Chairman), Mr D Hymers, Mrs L Dane, Mr J Bowley and Mrs S Harriott-Kerr

In attendance - Clerk Mr J March.

1. **Public questions** - none
2. **Apologies**- none
3. **Declarations of interest in items on the agenda**- none
4. **Minutes of the meeting held on 15th November 2005.** Proposed by Mrs L Dane seconded by Mr D Hymers. Carried unanimously.
5. **Matters arising and action points**
 - 5.1 The Clerk to write to Mrs Wilkinson regarding the rates demand for Stanlake Pavilion. Completed and payment made.
 - 5.2 The Clerk to make enquiries about six-month sterling LIBOR. Completed.
 - 5.3 The Clerk to contact the Age Concern Council Representative Mrs Smith about their grant request. Completed.
6. **Clerks Report**
 - Bank balances as at end of November 2005. Current account £1,245.39, Deposit account £29,093.86, Income Bonds £50,000 and National Savings account £3,937.93
 - VAT return for November 2005. £91.34 reclaimed
 - Dividends received. – O₂ £16.01
7. **Precept** Initial discussions held on the figures to be included for the next financial year.
8. **Correspondence**
 - 8.1 WDC Meeting of the Personnel Board 15.11.05 - noted
 - 8.2 Licence application Gaylord Restaurant London Rd - noted
 - 8.3 Purchase of O₂ shares by Telefonica. The offer was discussed and it was agreed to take loan notes as these pay a reasonable rate of interest.
 - 8.4 WDC Application for a Goods Vehicle Operators Licence, Beechwood Tree Care – noted.
9. **Grant requests:**
 - 9.1 Age Concern. Following discussion it was agreed that the Clerk requests information about their financial situation before a decision is made.
 - 9.2 Air Ambulance. Following discussion it was proposed by Mr D Hymers, seconded by Mrs L Dane to **RECOMMEND** to the Full Council to make a section 137 grant of £100. Agreed 3 for, 2 against.
 - 9.3 Forwood. Following discussion, in view of the work they have carried out on behalf of the council, it was proposed by Mr J Bowley, seconded by Mrs L Dane to **RECOMMEND** to the Full Council to make a section 137 grant of £50. Agreed 3 for, 2 against.
10. **Items to be considered from other Committees**
 - 10.1 Planning and Amenities 05.12.05 - none
 - 10.2 Parish Lands 07.12.05 - none
11. **Date of next meeting- Tuesday 10th January 2006**

The meeting closed at 8.45 pm.