

TWYFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held at The Loddon Hall, Twyford on Tuesday 10th April 2007 at 7.45pm.

Present: - Mr R Mantel (Chairman), Mr J Fort, Mr J Bowley, Mr N Crush, Mr J Jarvis and Mrs L Dane.

In attendance - Clerk Mr J March.

1. Public Questions – none

2. Apologies – Mr D Hymers

3. Declarations of interests in items on the agenda – none.

4. Minutes of the meeting held on 13th March 2007. Proposed Mr J Jarvis, seconded, Mrs L Dane and approved unanimously.

5. Matters arising and action points –

5.1 The Clerk to check the cost on increasing the insurance value for the equipment in the children's play area to £55,000. The additional annual premium to increase the value of the insurance will be £417.44 +5% IPT. Proposed Mr J Bowley seconded Mr J Jarvis that the value of the insurance is increased to £55,000. Carried unanimously.

5.2 Mr D Hymers to consider the changes to the Model Contract of Employment for Clerks. Carried forward.

5.3 The Clerk to issue election nomination forms and list of critical dates to councillors. Completed.

5.4 Mr Mantel to check the NALC website for a suitable poster and print off copies for the Clerk to put on notice boards. Completed.

6. Clerks Report

- Bank balances as at end of March 2007 – Current account £6451.96, Deposit account £13,009.57 Income Bonds £46,000, National Savings Account £1,516.23.
- VAT return for March 2007 £517.84 reclaimed.
- Quarterly Budget Statement and Capital account to 31st March 2007. Figures discussed and agreed.
- Dividends received – Astra Zeneca £346.50

7. WBC Proposed Protocol Relating to Public Engagements. Proposed Mr J Bowley seconded Mr J Jarvis that no action is taken at present and this item is put on the agenda of the next meeting for further consideration. Carried unanimously.

8. Chairman's reports to Annual Parish meeting. Finance Committee – Chairman's report discussed and agreed. Full Council – Chairman's report discussed and a minor alteration suggested. The Clerk to pass details of the suggested change to the Council Chairman.

9. Correspondence:

9.1 ICI Annual Review – noted.

9.2 Astra Zeneca Notice of AGM – noted.

9.3 WBC Meeting of The Council 29.03.07 – noted.

9.3 WBC Minutes of Committee Meetings for the period 17.01.07 – 15.03.07 – noted.

9.4 Keep Mobile AGM – noted.

10. Grant requests

10.1 Berkshire County Blind Society. Proposed Mrs L Dane seconded Mr J Jarvis to **RECOMMEND** to the Full Council that a grant of £100 is made. Carried 4 for, 2 against.

11. Items to be considered from other Committees

12.1 Planning and Amenities 02.04.07– none.

12.2 Parish Lands 04.04.07 – item 9.4 to recommend to the Full Council the purchase of a new roundabout for the children's play area on KGVR at a cost of £6000. Noted, there is no financial reason why the council should not accept this recommendation.

11. Date of next meeting- Tuesday 12th June 2007.

The meeting closed at 8.47pm.