

TWYFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held at The Loddon Hall, Twyford on Tuesday 10th November 2009 at 7.45pm.

Present: - Mr N Crush (Chairman), Mrs S Harriott-Kerr, Mr R Mantel, Mr J Bowley Mr D Hymers, Mr J Jarvis and Ms S Doughty

In attendance – Clerk.

1. Public Questions – None

2. Apologies – Mrs B Ditcham.

3. Declarations of interests in items on the agenda - None

4. Minutes of the meeting held on 13th October. Proposed Mr J Bowley, seconded Mrs S Harriott-Kerr and approved unanimously.

5. Matters arising and action points –

5.1 The Clerk to book the Church Centre for the APM on 21st April 2010. Completed.

6. Clerks Report

- Bank balances as at end of Oct 2009 - Current Account £4,48.93, Deposit Account £49,496.71, National Savings Account £6,054.87, Income Bonds £33,000.
- VAT return for Oct 2009 £381.77 reclaimed. The Clerk pointed out to the meeting that HMCE have advised they are moving over to electronic returns and payments. This will not come into force for the parish council for some time but the Clerk to make enquiries about how this can be dealt with.
- Dividends received – None.

7. Correspondence:

7.1 WBC Joint Meeting of the Finance and Service Development Overview and Scrutiny Panel 21.10.09. Noted.

7.2 WBC Meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee 05.11.09. Noted.

7.3 WBC Meeting of the Executive 29.10.09. Noted.

7.4 WBC Meeting of the Special Council Executive Committee 29.10.09. Noted.

7.5 WBC Meeting of the Personnel Board 29.10.09. Noted.

7.6 WBC Meeting of the Licensing and Appeals Committee 21.10.09. Noted.

7.7 Ruscombe PC. Annual grant towards KGVR costs. Noted.

7.8 Henderson Global Directors Short Report to 30th June 2009. Noted.

7.9 IOT request to pay copier quarterly charge by direct debit. Agreed to continue payment by cheque.

7.10 CCB invite to link to Action for All website. Proposed by Mr R Mantel to note and take no further action. Motion not seconded so it failed. Proposed Mr N Crush, seconded Mr J Bowley to establish a link to the parish council section of the village website. Carried 6 for 1 against. The Clerk to speak to the website owner to see if this can be arranged.

8. Grant requests

8.1 Age Concern The Clerk to ask if neighbouring parishes have been asked to contribute, as it is most likely that some of their residents will attend.

8.2 Sue Ryder Care. Proposed Mr R Mantel, seconded Mrs S Harriott –Kerr to **RECOMMEND** to the Full Council that a Section 137 grant of £200 be made. Carried 5 for, 2 against.

8.3 Cruse Bereavement. Proposed Mr N Crush seconded Mr D Hymers to **RECOMMEND** to the Full Council that no grant is made. Amendment proposed by Mr J Bowley seconded by Mr J Jarvis to **RECOMMEND** to the Full Council that a section 137 grant of £200 be made. Amendment not carried, 3 for, 4 against. Original proposal carried 4 for, 2 against.

8.4 Scouts - Remembrance Day Band. Proposed Mr D Hymers, seconded Mr R Mantel to **RECOMMEND** to the Full Council that a Section 137 grant of £250 be made. Carried unanimously.

9. Items to be considered from other Committees

9.1 Planning and Amenities 02.11.09 – none.

9.2 Parish Lands 04.11.09. Item 5.10. Proposed expenditure noted and agreed that if approved by the Full Council the cost to be paid out of the capital account and recovered through the precept. Item 6.2 Noted – agreed proposed additional cost for 2009/10 financial year to be met out of the capital account.

10. Precept 2010/11. Initial discussion held on outcome for this financial year and proposed budget for 2010/2011 financial year.

11. Date of next meeting- Thursday 10 December 2009.

The meeting closed at 9.00pm.