

Finance Committee Meeting
Minutes of the meeting held on 6th October 2010, at 8.02pm
In the Committee Room at the Village Hall, Braeside Road, St Leonards

Members Present: Cllr Mrs V Bell, Chairman
Cllr R Bryan Cllr Mrs J House Cllr Mrs A Warman
Cllr M Dyer Cllr Mrs S Smith Cllr R Warman

In attendance: Mrs Ann Jacobs Parish Clerk

Public Forum: None

229. Declarations of Interest:-

Name	Details	Declaration
Cllr Mrs A Warman	Item 8 (iii) grant for fund day and 11 (ii) VHMC grant on budget planning	Personal
Cllr R Warman	Item 7 account holder with Santander	Personal

230. Apologies: Cllr J Crow and Cllr R Dudman

231. Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting the Minutes of the meeting held on 1st September, 2010 pages 35 & 36 were approved and signed as a correct record. Proposed by Cllr Mrs J House, seconded by Cllr Mrs S Smith.

232. Matters Arising from the Minutes: None

233. The schedule of payments for September, cheque numbers 003592-003609 were discussed, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member, and is placed with these Minutes in the Minute Book see Appendix A. The schedule was approved. Proposed by Cllr Mrs A Warman, seconded by Cllr R Warman.

RESOLVED: That the schedule of payments for September (cheque numbers 003592-003609) be approved.

234. Bank Reconciliation: – The Clerk submitted for information a bank reconciliation for the period ended 23rd September, 2010. It was proposed for acceptance by Cllr R Warman seconded by Cllr Mrs S Smith. Agreed unanimously. A copy of which had been circulated to each Member and placed with these Minutes in the Minute Book see Appendix B.

RESOLVED: That the bank reconciliation dated 23rd September 2010 be approved.

235. Reserve Holdings – The Clerk confirmed that the account paperwork has been completed and returned to the two financial bodies.

236. Grants:

i) A request for a grant from Ringwood & District Com. Assoc. – Greyfriars Minibus was discussed. It was noted that 26 residents per week were collected for shopping trips and there had been a significant increase in residents from the Parish registered at the Centre It was agreed, unanimously, to grant a sum of £300 towards the minibus costs. Proposed by Cllr Mrs A Warman, seconded by Cllr Mrs J House.

RESOLVED: To grant £300 to Greyfriars (Ringwood and District Community Association) (under the Local Government and Rating Act 1997, s26-29) in respect of the minibus used to assist residents of this Parish.

ii) A request for a grant from Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance was received and discussed. There had been 50 calls in the Wimborne, Ferndown, St Leonards area over the last 12 months. It was

agreed, unanimously to grant a sum of £150 to the Air Ambulance. Cllr Bryan asked that the grant was reviewed further as it was noted that a loss of £211,000 was made on investments. The Clerk was asked to check that the correct postcode was being cross referenced as a number of visits to the A338 had been noted.

RESOLVED: To award a grant of £150 to the Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance. (Local Government Act 1972, s. 137)

- iii) Breakdown of PC grant for fund day interim result shows account of £313.52 of the £400 provided. Noted.

237. Budget Planning

- i) The Clerk circulated the second quarter figures for Expenditure Vs budget. Noted.
- ii) Budget planning – The Clerk circulated a preliminary budget for discussion together with responses to the grant review letter. It was noted that the numbers for Dial A Ride had considerably reduced and their last letter suggested terminating the arrangement. After discussion a nominal sum of £200 pa was included in the draft.

Responses from the Age Concern groups were discussed. The three groups have an allocation of £4,400 per annum. Monday Group is over subscribed and offers a vital Day/Respite Centre for those who require considerable assistance whilst the Wednesday and Friday Groups are for those over 55 more mobile and independent than the Monday attendees. It was noted that of the 20 registered to the Wed/Fri 15 attend both groups, with Friday being for the more mobile. The Clerk will seek some further information from the Monday group organiser in addition the Clerk will obtain more information of the mobility levels of both Wednesday and Friday groups.

VHMC grant provision was queried. It was noted that the core funding had been included but the sum of £5723 for windows should be from the current financial year, accrued if necessary into 2011/2012 reserves. Cllr Mrs Warman reported that Mr Farmer of EDDC has suggested that a joint meeting should be held between the PC and VHMC with an independent arbitrator chairing.

The Hampshire CAB's have amalgamated, the Clerk has requested further information.

Cllr Mrs Smith requested that the sum for trophies for the School should continue. This is used to purchase book tokens.

The Clerk reported that the deadline for the precept demand would allow the final budget to be put to the January full Council meeting.

238. Exchange of Information:

1. Next meeting scheduled for 3rd November 2010.
2. Cllr Mrs Warman reported that an external door has been removed and bricked up as it was rotten. The Clerk has been informed by email.
3. Cllr Mrs Warman reported attending a Dorset Waste Seminar meeting. A master holding between DCC has identified potential saving. Weymouth, Portland and Purbeck are waiting until 2013 due to the Olympics. Further information is available from Mr L Cass of EDDC.

Meeting ended at 9.06pm

Chairman