

# ***FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES***

**MINUTES** of the Wrockwardine Wood & Trench Parish Council Finance Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2009 in the Old Mill Meeting Road, Church Road, Wrockwardine Wood at 7.30pm.

**PRESENT:** Cllr's. S.A. Watkins – Chair, C.F. Smith – Vice Chair, K. Hanmer, H. Smith and K.R. Watkins.

**09/573 APOLOGIES** There were no apologies as all members were present.

## **09/574 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr. H. Smith declared an interest in Item 5d) on the Agenda – *'To consider the Councils financial support of the Toddler Group'* and did not take part in any discussion or decision.

## **09/575 TO RECEIVE BUDGET INFORMATION**

**RESOLVED** – To accept the statement of grants issued to date. It was noted that the current available balance is £950.

## **09/576 GRANT APPLICATIONS**

**RESOLVED** that the Council in accordance with its powers under Sections 137 and 139 of the Local Government Act 1972 should incur the following expenditure which, in the opinion of the Council, is in the interests of the area or its inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure.

### **a) To consider a grant application from Wellington Cottage Care**

**RESOLVED** – to award a grant of £200 towards refurbishing and modernising the bath/shower room facilities.

### **b) To consider a grant application from Wrockwardine Wood Infant School and Nursery**

**RESOLVED** – to pay for fencing between the Parish Council Centre meeting room and the school playground. The Clerk was instructed to obtain quotes for this work.

## **09/577 To consider the Councils financial support of user groups at the Parish Council Centre**

a) **Keep Fit Class** – It was noted that this class is running at a loss because there are only approximately six attending each week. It was pointed out that this is the second time we have tried to run this class. **RESOLVED** – not to continue with the keep fit class and to review this decision at Easter.

b) **Youth Club** – **RESOLVED** – to continue to support the Youth Club.

c) **Brownies Group** – **RESOLVED** – to continue to allow free use of the Meeting Room each Monday evening.

d) **Toddler Group** – **RESOLVED** – to continue to allow free use of the Meeting Room every Tuesday morning.

**09/578 To consider the 2009/10 Precept for recommendation to the Full Council**

Suggested figures were tabled and considered by the Committee (copy attached to office minutes. Details of costs for an extension to the Meeting Room to provide storage space were also considered and it was **RESOLVED** – to recommend to the Full Council that the 2009/10 precept should be set at £106,000 which is the same as the last two years. Further **RESOLVED** – to recommend that the Full Council should apply for a loan sanction to fund the cost of an extension to the Meeting Room.

**09/579 Items of Information or Items for the Next Agenda**

There were no further items.

**09/580 Date & Venue of the next meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2009 at 7.30pm.

**09/581 Private Session**

**RESOLVED** – that under Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 the public and press will be excluded for the remaining items of business which are confidential.

Signed.....  
Chair.

Date .....