FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

MINUTES of the Wrockwardine Wood & Trench Parish Council Finance Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 7th January 2014 at the Parish Council Centre, Church Road, Wrockwardine Wood at 7pm.

PRESENT: S.A. Watkins - Chair, C.F. Smith - Vice Chair, K. Hanmer, M. Hanmer and D. Plant.

14/763 Apologies

There were no apologies as all members were present.

14/764 <u>Disclosable Pecuniary Interests</u>

There were no Disclosable Pecuniary Interests declared.

14/765 To receive budget information

RESOLVED – to accept the statement of grants issued to date that shows a balance of £1119.69

14/766 Grant Applications

a) To consider a grant application from Severn Hospice.

RESOLVED – to award a grant of £150 towards palliative care for patients.

b) To consider a grant application from Marie Curie Cancer Care

It was AGREED to consider this item when the completed form has been received.

c) To consider payment to Wrockwardine Wood Infant School for use of the school hall

 ${f RESOLVED}$ – to pay £40.12 for use of the hall for WIKID (Wrekin Kids with Diabetes) Christmas Party

14/767 To consider a request from a resident for a street light at Stanmore Drive

A request has been received from a resident for a street light in the cul-de-sac section of Stanmore Drive as it is very dark in this area. The Clerk informed members that she is waiting for Telford & Wrekin Council to get back to her with the cost of installing a light. It was AGREED to consider this request once a price has been received.

14/768 To consider installing artificial grass at the ashes section in Holy Trinity Churchyard

It was pointed out that this area is very difficult to maintain because the stones are very close together and at the moment the area is very muddy.

The Clerk informed members that prices for artificial grass vary from £14.99 up to £33 per square metre. It was AGREED to obtain a quotation from TAFS and to approach Fastrack, who maintain the Churchyard for advice on keeping the ashes section maintained.

14/769 User Groups at the Parish Council Centre

RESOLVED to continue to support the Youth Club, Brownies Group and Toddler Group by allowing them free use of the Parish Council Centre.

14/770 <u>To consider a letter from Ken Clark regarding the proposed allocation of grant in</u> relation to Council Tax Support Scheme

RESOLVED – to accept the proposal outlined in the letter that Telford & Wrekin Council should pass on the Council Tax Support Scheme Grant to town and parish councils.

14/771 Precept 2014/15

Suggested budget figures were tabled and considered by the Committee (copy attached to office Minutes.) It was **RESOLVED** – to recommend to the Full Council that they should consider setting the 2013/14 Precept at £90,390 net figure which together with our allocated grant of £13,110 gives a total of £103,500 which will be an increase of 0.92% based on 1352.70 Band D equivalents.

14/772 Date & Venue of the Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 4th March 201	14 at the Parish council Centre at `	/pm.
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