

FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

MINUTES of the Wrockwardine Wood & Trench Parish Council Finance Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 4th March 2014 at the Parish Council Centre, Church Road, Wrockwardine Wood at 7pm.

PRESENT: S.A. Watkins – Chair, K. Hanmer, M. Hanmer and D. Plant.

14/773 Apologies

RESOLVED to accept apologies from Cllr. C.F. Smith (TWC Meeting).

14/774 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

There were no Disclosable Pecuniary Interests declared.

14/775 To receive budget information

RESOLVED – to accept the statement of grants issued to date that shows a balance of £929.57

14/776 Grant Applications

- a) **To consider a grant application from Crucial Crew.**

RESOLVED – to award a grant of £100 towards Crucial Crew to be held at Buildwas Abbey in July.

- b) **To consider a grant application from Mark's Pit Stop**

RESOLVED – to award a grant of £100 towards rent and food.

- c) **To consider a grant application from West Telford Visually Impaired People's Group**

RESOLVED – to award a grant of £100 towards room hire, general expenses and bus hire for days out.

- d) **To consider a grant application from Walkabout Wrekin**

RESOLVED – to award a grant of £100 towards training and support for new walk leaders.

- e) **To consider a grant application from Ironbridge Brass Band Festival**

RESOLVED – to award a grant of £50 towards providing a professional music teacher, accommodation for workshops and hire of instruments.

- f) **To consider a grant application from Donnington Amateur Boxing Club**

RESOLVED – to award a grant of £50 towards new gloves and pads.

- g) **To consider a grant application from 2379 Dawley Squadron AFC**

RESOLVED – to award a grant of £50 towards ongoing training and the purchase of training aids.

- h) **To consider a grant application from Telford Sea Cadets**

RESOLVED – to award a grant of £50 towards replacing equipment such as lifejackets and paddles.

- i) **To consider an application from Telford & Wrekin Council for financial support for the next two years for their weekly Job Junctions.**

RESOLVED – not to support this application.

14/777 To consider a letter from Cllr. G Reynolds requesting financial support for research on Telford's Heritage

After careful consideration it was **RESOLVED** that we are not able to support Cllr. Reynold's request for financial support for research on Telford's Heritage.

14/778 To consider a request for a street light at Stanmore Drive and the alleyway between Church Road and Talbot Road

The Clerk informed members that we are still waiting for a price from TWC to install a street light at Stanmore Drive. TWC are waiting for Eon to come back to them with a quote.

Cllr. M. Hanmer informed members that the alleyway at Church Road to Talbot Road is unlit and the ground is very uneven. It was agreed to visit the alleyway during the day to see if there is a light already there that is not working and to look at the ground surface.

14/779 To consider the installation of artificial grass or rubber granules at the ashes section in Holy Trinity Churchyard

The Clerk informed members that a promised quotation has not been received for the installation of artificial grass. The Clerk said that Fastrack who maintain the churchyard have advised using rubber granules which they say look very effective. Fastrack provided samples of the granules and advised that they cost £170 for a Jumble bag. It was AGREED to obtain a firm quotation for the installation of rubber granules. It was noted that we will have to obtain a Faculty from the Diocese before installing any alternative surface.

14/780 To consider a letter from the Bank of Scotland regarding changes to the interest on deposit accounts

The Clerk informed members that Bank of Scotland is reducing the rate of interest on the deposit account from 0.10% to 0.05%. It was **RESOLVED** to look for an alternative account that pays a higher rate of interest.

14/781 To consider a Civic Reception to follow the Service of Remembrance on 28th June

It was **RESOLVED** to hold a Civic Reception after the Service of Remembrance on 28th June and provide light refreshments. Cllr. K. Hanmer suggested that members could donate items of food such as trays of sandwiches. Cllr. M. Hanmer agreed to donate a case of beer and Cllr. Plant agreed to donate a case of wine towards the refreshments. It was AGREED to ask other members if they would be willing to donate items towards the refreshments. It was AGREED to hold a meeting nearer to the event to finalise arrangements for the reception.

14/782 Date & Venue of the Next Meeting

The next meeting will be agreed at the AGM in May.

The meeting closed at 7.40pm.

Signed.....
Chair.

Date