

FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

MINUTES of the Wrockwardine Wood & Trench Parish Council Finance Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 4th July 2012 at the Parish Council Centre, Church Road, Wrockwardine Wood at 7pm.

PRESENT: Cllr's. K. Hanmer, M. Hanmer, D. Plant, C.F. Smith and S.A. Watkins.

12/704 Election of a Chairman

It was proposed by Cllr. M. Hanmer, seconded by Cllr. C.F. Smith and **RESOLVED** unanimously that Cllr. S.A. Watkins be elected Chairman for the forthcoming twelve months.

12/705 Election of a Vice Chairman

It was proposed by Cllr. D. Plant, seconded by Cllr. M. Hanmer and **RESOLVED** unanimously that Cllr. C.F. Smith be elected Vice Chairman for the forthcoming twelve months.

12/706 Apologies

No apologies as all members are present.

12/707 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest in any item specified in the agenda.

12/708 To receive budget information

RESOLVED – to accept the statement of grants issued to date, showing a balance of £1300.

12/709 Grant Applications

RESOLVED that the Council in accordance with its powers under Section 137 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 Shropshire Cadets – Queens Jubilee Concert.**

RESOLVED – not to award a grant on this occasion.

- b) **To consider a grant application from Telford Visually Impaired Peoples Group**

RESOLVED – to award a grant of £100 towards their costs.

- c) **To consider funding the cost of the School Hall for the Summer Play Scheme**

RESOLVED – to pay the hire cost of the School for the Summer Play Scheme which is running from 6th – 10th August, mornings only. (LG (Misc. Provisions) Act 1976 s.19)

12/710 To consider a Grit Bin for Chapel Terrace

RESOLVED – to fund a grit bin for Chapel Terrace at a cost of £100 for the bin and £40 per year to fill with grit.

12/711 To consider the purchase of a new Notice Board

RESOLVED – to give the Clerk the authority to purchase a notice board similar to the new board on the Infant School playground.

12/712 To consider the future of the keep fit class

The Clerk informed members that this item had been placed on the agenda because the numbers at the class have been very low for a few weeks. However, last week there were eleven people in attendance who say they will be attending in the future. It was noted that we need ten people to attend to cover the cost of the instructor. It was **RESOLVED** to continue with the class and review this decision in October at the next Finance Committee Meeting.

12/713 Update on progress regarding the Community Fun Day

The Clerk informed members that the Community Fun Day will be held on Wednesday 22nd August 11am – 3pm at Oakengates Leisure Centre Athletics Track. Activities booked so far include the climbing wall, donkey rides, street sports, a compere, face painters and the animal man. It was AGREED that a large marquee should be booked. The Clerk said that members of the Toddler Group have asked if they can hire a table to offer services such as a cake stall, henna and body shop. It was AGREED to allow the toddler group to have tables at no cost. It was noted that any provision will be subject to a risk assessment.

The chair asked for the following urgent item to be considered:

12/714 To consider the condition of the Wrockwardine Wood Methodist Chapel Graveyard

The Clerk informed members that she received a telephone call from Mrs. Coulbeck who was very concerned that she was unable to access the graveyard because it has not been cut for several weeks and is very overgrown. It was **RESOLVED** to pay for a one off cut of the graveyard. The Clerk was instructed to ask permission from Rev. Sherman to have the graveyard cut and also to invite him to come and talk to us about future upkeep.

The Clerk informed members that she has been approached by members of the Toddler Group who have asked if they can use our room one afternoon a term to provide services such as cake stall, henna and body shop. The Toddler Group would like us to charge for the tables and either keep the amount charged or give it to a charity of our choice. It was **RESOLVED** to allow the Toddler Group the use of the room and tables at no cost on a trial basis and review this decision at our next meeting.

12/715 Date & Venue of the next meeting

The next Finance Committee Meeting will be held on 2nd October 2012 at 7pm.

Signed.....
Chair.

Date