

WOOTTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee of Wootton Parish Council held on Wednesday 14th July 2010 at 7.30pm at the Memorial Hall, Bedford Road, Wootton.

Present: Councillors C Bennett, J Wheeler, D Price, M Wolfenden, & P Quirk,

In attendance; Mrs S Bolton, Cllr S Rowse and the Clerk.

FG10/24. Apologies

Cllrs W Hall and T Corby.

FG10/25. Declarations of interest on any items on the agenda

None.

FG10/26. Nominations for Vice Chairman

Cllr Wheeler nominated Cllr Corby as Vice Chairman and this proposal was seconded by Cllr Price. There being no other nominations, Cllr Tracy Corby was elected as Vice Chairman for the ensuing municipal year.

FG10/27. Open Forum

None.

FG10/28. Minutes of the meeting of Committee held on 24th April 2010

The minutes were agreed and duly signed by the Chairman.

FG10/29. Audit Report

Please see attached report from the Council's external examiner.

FG10/30. Amend Standing Orders

As previously agreed the Standing Orders were amended to better reflect current Council procedures - please see enclosed 'new' Standing Orders - Appendix 'a'.

FG10/31. Adopt Formal Complaints Procedure

It was agreed by the Members to fully adopt the formal complaints procedure drafted by Cllr Rowse as an appendix to our current Standing Orders - please see Appendix 'b'.

FG10/32. Update on Memorial Hall

Following investigation and discussions with various parties it would seem that the Parish Council has responsibility not just for the outside of the

Memorial Hall (as previously understood), but in fact is the legal owner of the facility. It was proposed by Cllr Quirk that this item be made an agenda item for the next Full Council meeting on Wednesday 28th July 2010 for further and more in-depth discussion regarding future asset planning.

FG10/33. Electronic Notebooks

Cllr Bennett advised the Members this item should be struck off from discussion under the 6 month rule in the Standing Orders.

FG10/34. Councillor Training

Cllr Wheeler updated and reminded Members of the Council Training booked for the 22nd September 2010, which is being led by Louise Ashmore of the BATPC. He encouraged as many Members as possible to attend.

FG10/35. Recommendation from Leisure & Amenities Committee

It was agreed as part of the overall refurbishment of this area that an 'Interpretation board' should be erected and form part of the overall costings.

FG10/36. Access for All - Lorraine Road Cemetery

Following the issue of disability access with the main driveway at the Lorraine Road Cemetery it was proposed by Cllr Quirk and seconded by Cllr Price that up to a net value of £3,000 be allocated from the Councils Capital Projects fund to pay for remedial works to the driveway. In addition it was understood that this Council will be applying for a grant via BBC for up to £1000 as a contribution to the required works.

FG10/37. Section 106

Nothing to report

FG10/38. Netting for MUGA

Members were advised of the receipt of 1 quotation for the refurbishment of the MUGA netting which came through at £3,500. However, there was no budget set for this work, and it was agreed that as far as repairs to the existing netting are concerned that should be done as a matter of urgency as in its present condition it could be deemed dangerous.

Action; Clerk to gain 2 more quotes and after discussion with relevant Chairperson, appoint contractor to action the appropriate works

FG10/39. Refurbishment of Changing Rooms and Toilet block - Recreation Ground

Two further quotes were still outstanding for this work, however, it was decided that this refurbishment project would need to be deferred to a future financial year, as no budget was set for inclusion in 2010 / 2011.

FG10/40. Any Other Business
None.

Chairman_____

Date of next meeting Wednesday 28th September 2010