# MINUTES OF THE PRECEPT MEETING OF BUCKINGHAM TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON 21<sup>st</sup> JANUARY 2008 at 7 pm.

**PRESENT** Councillors T. Bloomfield

Mrs. G. Collins

P. Collins

Mrs. P. Desorgher

P. Hirons D. Isham A. Mahi

H. Mordue (Chairman)

Ms R. Newell M. Smith

Mrs. P. Stevens R. Stuchbury

M. Try W. Whyte

Town Clerk Ms. P. J. Heath Deputy Town Clerk Miss L. Fahey

### **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors H. Cadd and G. Loftus.

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members noted that this had not been shown as a separate item on the agenda as Members were asked to declare their interest at the appropriate time.

# TO RECEIVE LETTER FROM BUCKINGHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE IN RESPECT OF GRANT APPLICATION TO WREN AND AGREE LETTER OF SUPPORT

Pecuniary interest was declared by Councillors Isham, P. Collins, Mrs G. Collins, Bloomfield, Desorgher and Try; Members did not leave the room.

Proposed by Cllr. Stuchbury, seconded by Cllr. Stevens, and **AGREED** that a letter of support would be sent to WREN for the Community Centre's grant application.

**ACTION TOWN CLERK** 

## TO DISCUSS AND AGREE THE TOWN COUNCIL BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2008/2009

Member discussed at great length and in detail, the figures sent with the agenda

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION  101 WAGES  4001 TOWN CLERK 31515.00  4002 CLERICAL ASSISTANT 10261.00  4003 CARETAKER 19474.00  4003 CARETAKER P/T 6771.00  4005 ERS NATIONAL INS 6419.00  4006 ERS PENSION CONT 14891.00  4007 STAFF TRAVEL 800.00  4008 EES FOR WAGES 50.00  COUNCILLORS' ALLOWANCE 8988.00  102 OFFICE EXPENSES  4010 STATIONERY 1030.00  4011 POSTAGE 618.00  4012 PHOTOCOPIER 412.00  4013 CQUIPMENT PURCHASE 1545.00  4014 AUDIT FEE 2200.00  4015 ADVERTISEMENT 2060.00  4016 ADVERTISEMENT 2060.00  4017 SUBSCRIPTIONS 2100.00  4018 TELEPHONE 1236.00  4019 HIRE OF HALL 515.00  4023 K4026 TRAINING & CONFERENCE 1330.00  4024 HOSPITALITY & CIVIC FUNCTIONS 103.00  4024 BANK CHARGES 361.00  4025 LEGAL FEES 2060.00  4026 BANK CHARGES 361.00  4027 HOSPITALITY & CIVIC FUNCTIONS 103.00  4028 HOSPITALITY & CIVIC FUNCTIONS 1130.00  4029 INFORMATION SERVICE 1130.00  4029 INFORMATION SERVICE 1130.00  4029 INFORMATION SERVICE 113.00  4030 Petty Cash Cheque/Exps. 258.00  4031 NEWSLETTERS 1545.00  4032 NEWSLETTERS 1545.00  4033 NEWSLETTERS 1545.00  40408 MAY ELECTION FEES 150.00  4052 (4602) HEAT LIGHT POWER 1700.00  4052 (4602) HEAT LIGHT POWER 1700.00  4053 ALARM 231.00  4054 (4602) HEAT LIGHT POWER 1700.00  4055 ALARM 231.00  4072 (1700.00  4055 ALARM 231.00  4072 (1700.00  4056 ALARM 231.00  4072 (1700.00  4056 ALARM 231.00  4057 (1700.00  4058 ALARM 231.00  4059 (4602) HEAT LIGHT POWER 1700.00	account code	account title	BUDGET <u>EXP</u> 2008/2009	BUDGET INCOME 2008/2009
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120	GRANTS		
4070	GRANTS -SECTION 137	10764.00	
125	SECTION 137		
4504	REMEMBRANCE DAY WREATH	21.00	
4505	MAYORS SALVER	100.00	
130	ADMIN RESERVES		
1190	INTEREST RECEIVED		7000.00
131	MAJOR PROJECTS		
4084	COMMUNITY CENTRE-CAPITAL	10000.00	
4085	COMMUNITY CENTRE	6000.00	
4077	OLD GAOL FUNDING	3000.00	
4096	ALL WEATHER PITCH	700.00	
407	MAJOR BUILDING WORKS		
	FEES AND PROFESSIONAL		
4025	CHARGES	50000.00	
132	CONTINGENCIES		
4500	CONTINGENCIES	20000.00	
PLANNING			
601	PLANNING		
4019	HALL HIRE	125.00	
4023	TRAINING	300.00	
	PARISH PLAN	2000.00	
<b>ENVIRONMENT &amp;</b>			
PROPERTY			
201	PROPERTY PURCHASE		
4112	EQUIPMENT	1250.00	
4101	SEATS AND BINS	1050.00	
202	ROUNDABOUTS		
1051	ROUNDABOUT SPONSORSHIP		8250.00
4108	MAINTENANCE	6090.00	
203	MAINTENANCE		
4057	WAR MEMORIAL	2000.00	
4058	CAR PARK	26250.00	
4063	VEHICLE HIRE & RUNNING COSTS	2000.00	
4082	ALLOTMENTS R & R	650.00	
4102	DOG BINS	7000.00	
204	DEVOLVED SERVICES		
	WAGES	0.00	13000.00
4050	MATERIALS	0.00	2000.00
401	CHANDOS PARK		
1030	BOWLS INCOME		0.00
1035	TENNIS CLUB RENT		750.00
4225	RATES	1533.00	
4601	REPAIRS & MAINT FUND	10000.00	
	PLAY AREAS MAINTENANCE	2000.00	
4602	ELECTRICITY	1050.00	
4603	WATER	1050.00	
4616	PAVILION & GREEN	0.00	
4610	REPAIR OF FOOTPATHS	19000.00	
4605	HORTICULTURAL CONTRACT	14280.00	

402	BOURTON PARK		
4601	REPAIRS & MAINT FUND	15000.00	
	PLAY AREAS MAINTENANCE	2000.00	
4605	HORTICULTURAL CONTRACT	39375.00	
403	CEMETERY		
1041 & 42	BURIAL FEES & PLOT PURCHASE		11600.00
1043	CEMETERY CHAPEL HIRE etc		300.00
1044	MEMORIAL FUND	0.00	500.00
4225	RATES	1500.00	
4601	REPAIRS & MAINT FUND	1000.00	
4602	ELECTRICITY	800.00	
4603	WATER	630.00	
4605	HORTICULTURAL CONTRACT	16000.00	
4620	BURIAL EXPENSES	6300.00	
4617	MEMORIAL TESTING	1000.00	
4034/520	PWLB CAPITAL	2566.67	
4034/520	PWLB INTEREST	2137.33	
404	CHANDOS PARK TOILETS		
4612	TOILETS CHANDOS PARK	12600.00	
4225	RATES	1700.00	
405	GENERAL AREAS		
	RIPARIAN OWNER		
4095/4604	RESPONSIBILITY	6000.00	
	PARKS POLICY GROUP	2000.00	
407	OPEN SPACES		
	HEARTLANDS/HOLLOWAY		
4650	SPINNEY/OTHER	2000.00	
406	CEMETERY LODGE		
4609	REPAIRS/RUNNING EXPS LODGE	3000.00	
4609 <b>408</b>	REPAIRS/RUNNING EXPS LODGE RAILWAY WALK		
4609 <b>408</b> 4103	REPAIRS/RUNNING EXPS LODGE RAILWAY WALK BTCV GRANT PAYMENT	1000.00	
4609 <b>408</b>	REPAIRS/RUNNING EXPS LODGE RAILWAY WALK BTCV GRANT PAYMENT TREE WORKS		
4609 408 4103 4103	REPAIRS/RUNNING EXPS LODGE RAILWAY WALK BTCV GRANT PAYMENT TREE WORKS OVERN CRESCENT/GRENVILLE	1000.00	
4609 408 4103 4103 409	REPAIRS/RUNNING EXPS LODGE RAILWAY WALK BTCV GRANT PAYMENT TREE WORKS OVERN CRESCENT/GRENVILLE GARAGE	1000.00 1200.00	
4609 408 4103 4103	REPAIRS/RUNNING EXPS LODGE RAILWAY WALK BTCV GRANT PAYMENT TREE WORKS OVERN CRESCENT/GRENVILLE GARAGE OVERN CRESCENT RENT	1000.00 1200.00 2000.00	
4609 408 4103 4103 409 4053	REPAIRS/RUNNING EXPS LODGE RAILWAY WALK BTCV GRANT PAYMENT TREE WORKS OVERN CRESCENT/GRENVILLE GARAGE OVERN CRESCENT RENT GRENVILLE GARAGE RENT	1000.00 1200.00	
4609 408 4103 4103 409 4053	REPAIRS/RUNNING EXPS LODGE  RAILWAY WALK  BTCV GRANT PAYMENT  TREE WORKS  OVERN CRESCENT/GRENVILLE GARAGE  OVERN CRESCENT RENT  GRENVILLE GARAGE RENT  REPAIRS	1000.00 1200.00 2000.00 400.00	
4609 408 4103 4103 409 4053 4053 4603	REPAIRS/RUNNING EXPS LODGE  RAILWAY WALK  BTCV GRANT PAYMENT  TREE WORKS  OVERN CRESCENT/GRENVILLE GARAGE  OVERN CRESCENT RENT  GRENVILLE GARAGE RENT  REPAIRS  WATER	1000.00 1200.00 2000.00 400.00	
4609 408 4103 4103 409 4053 4053 4603 4602	REPAIRS/RUNNING EXPS LODGE  RAILWAY WALK  BTCV GRANT PAYMENT  TREE WORKS  OVERN CRESCENT/GRENVILLE GARAGE  OVERN CRESCENT RENT  GRENVILLE GARAGE RENT  REPAIRS  WATER  ELECTRICITY	1000.00 1200.00 2000.00 400.00 100.00	
4609 408 4103 4103 409 4053 4053 4603 4602 4022	REPAIRS/RUNNING EXPS LODGE  RAILWAY WALK  BTCV GRANT PAYMENT  TREE WORKS  OVERN CRESCENT/GRENVILLE GARAGE  OVERN CRESCENT RENT GRENVILLE GARAGE RENT REPAIRS  WATER  ELECTRICITY INSURANCE	1000.00 1200.00 2000.00 400.00	
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4609 408 4103 4103 4103 409 4053 4053 4603 4602 4022 410 4105 EVENTS 301	REPAIRS/RUNNING EXPS LODGE RAILWAY WALK BTCV GRANT PAYMENT TREE WORKS OVERN CRESCENT/GRENVILLE GARAGE OVERN CRESCENT RENT GRENVILLE GARAGE RENT REPAIRS WATER ELECTRICITY INSURANCE KEN TAGG PLAY AREA MEADWAY REPAIRS RENEWALS ANNUAL EVENTS	1000.00 1200.00 2000.00 400.00 100.00 100.00	
4609 408 4103 4103 4103 409 4053 4053 4603 4602 4022 410 4105 EVENTS 301 4104	REPAIRS/RUNNING EXPS LODGE RAILWAY WALK BTCV GRANT PAYMENT TREE WORKS OVERN CRESCENT/GRENVILLE GARAGE OVERN CRESCENT RENT GRENVILLE GARAGE RENT REPAIRS WATER ELECTRICITY INSURANCE KEN TAGG PLAY AREA MEADWAY REPAIRS RENEWALS  ANNUAL EVENTS BASKETS & PLANTERS	1000.00 1200.00 2000.00 400.00 100.00 100.00 1000.00	
4609 408 4103 4103 4103 409 4053 4053 4603 4602 4022 410 4105 EVENTS 301 4104 4107	REPAIRS/RUNNING EXPS LODGE  RAILWAY WALK  BTCV GRANT PAYMENT  TREE WORKS  OVERN CRESCENT/GRENVILLE GARAGE  OVERN CRESCENT RENT  GRENVILLE GARAGE RENT  REPAIRS  WATER  ELECTRICITY  INSURANCE  KEN TAGG PLAY AREA  MEADWAY REPAIRS RENEWALS  ANNUAL EVENTS  BASKETS & PLANTERS  BUCKINGHAM IN BLOOM	1000.00 1200.00 2000.00 400.00 100.00 100.00 100.00 8736.00 150.00	
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4203	COMMUNITY FAIR	198.00	
4204	CHARTER FAIR	945.00	
4205	CHRISTMAS PARADE	2625.00	
4206	WEEK IN THE PARK	2839.00	
4208	SPRING FESTIVAL	3691.00	
	BUCKINGHAM SUMMER FESTIVAL	500.00	
4228	ENTERTAINMENTS	950.00	
4232	BARRIERS PURCHASE	1050.00	
4078	NEW SIGNS	1575.00	
4211	BAND JAM	2575.00	
	MAY DAY EVENT	53.00	
	TEDDY BEARS PICNIC	200.00	
	EVENTS PA SYSTEM	500.00	
4094	YOUTH PROJECT	2000.00	
302	STREET MARKET		
1001	STREET & FLEA MARKET Rent		33600.00
1004	FARMERS MARKET RENT		1365.00
4225	RATES	5723.00	
4226	SUPERVISORS	1250.00	
4015(4227)	ADVERTISEMENTS	1092.00	
4229	SUNDRY EXPENDITURE	568.00	
4017	SUBSCRIPTION NAMBA	350.00	
	SUBSCRIPTION FIND A MARKET	195.00	
4602	FARMERS MARKET ELECT	455.00	
303	SPECIAL EVENTS		
4260	TWINNING	2000.00	
133	ADMIN RESERVES LONG TERM		
4083	CAPITAL RESERVE	90000.00	
4153	COUNCIL VEHICLE RESERVE	2000.00	0.00
	GRAND TOTAL	631488.00	78365.00

Account 4057 Memorial Project: Cllr. W. Whyte declared a personal interest.

Account 4077 Old Gaol Funding: Cllr. Whyte and Cllr. Smith declared a personal interest.

Account 4617 Memorial Testing: Members discussed whether testing was necessary. The Town Clerk explained the history and advised that the Town Council had a legal duty to safeguard the users of the cemetery and that the HSE were prosecuting Councils who had failed to undertake the necessary procedures. Members **AGREED** to reduce the budget from £5000 to £1000.

Account for 2012 Games: Proposed by Cllr. Smith that the amount of £5000 be included was defeated by 2 votes to 10.

Account 4260 Twinning: Cllr. Mordue declared a personal interest.

Account 4095 Flood Relief: it was agreed to move this to 405 cost code (General Areas) and amalgamate it with 4604 River and Pond Maintenance at an amount of £6000 and renamed 'riparian owner responsibility'.

Cllr. Stuchbury felt it was amiss that the Community Plan had not provided the figures for the purpose of the precept minutes so that Members could have taken them into account on the evening.

Members discussed the proposed budget. It was **AGREED** that the Chairman and Town Clerk, along with Cllr. Smith, would produce a press release.

## TO PASS A RESOLUTION AGREEING THE PRECEPT REQUEST AMOUNT FOR 2008/2009 AS PER THE ABOVE DISCUSSIONS

Proposed by Cllr. Collins, seconded by Cllr. Newell, and **RESOLVED** that Buckingham Town Council would set a precept of £383123.00 which equates to £88.67 for a band D property.

### **CHAIRMAN'S ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

### **Squash Courts**

The Mayor informed Members of the AVDC Cabinet's decision concerning the squash courts; these would be retained and a feasibility study would be undertaken to provide additional crèche facilities, a mezzanine dance floor and a café.

### BALC Training course on Accounts and Audit

It was **AGREED** that the Deputy Town Clerk would attend.

### Mayor's Service

The Mayor informed Members that he would be holding an informal Civic Service on 17<sup>th</sup> February at S<sup>t.</sup> Peters & S<sup>t.</sup> Paul's Church. The service would form part of the normal service and would be highlighting, with the church, the plight of the homeless.

Meeting closed at 9.20 pm	
CHAIRMAN	DATE