

Minutes of a meeting of the **Resources Committee** of Buckingham Town Council held on **Monday 5th January 2015** in the Council Chamber, Cornwalls Meadow, Buckingham at 7pm.

Present: Cllr. T. Bloomfield
 Cllr. H. Cadd
 Cllr. Mrs. G. Collins Chair
 Cllr. P. Collins
 Cllr. J. Harvey
 Cllr. P. Hirons
 Cllr. D. Isham
 Cllr. R. Lehmann
 Cllr. A. Mahi
 Cllr. H. Mordue
 Cllr. Ms. Newell
 Cllr. Mrs. O'Donoghue Town Mayor
 Cllr. M. Smith
 Cllr. R. Stuchbury

Also present: Mr. C. Wayman Town Clerk
 Mr. C. Robson Deputy Town Clerk

612/14 Apologies for Absence

RESOLVED to receive apologies from Councillor M. Try.

613/14 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Smith declared an interest in item 7, Grants as trustee of the Old Gaol and CAB.

Councillor Bloomfield declared an interest in item 7, as trustee of the Old Gaol.

Councillor Newell declared an interest in item 7, the AED project and the North Bucks Carers Support Group.

Councillor O'Donoghue declared an interest in item 7, the Buckingham Youth Clubs.

Councillors Hirons and Cllr. Mrs. G. Collins both declared an interest in item 7, the AED Project.

614/14 Minutes

Members noted the minutes of the Resources Committee meeting held on Monday 10 November 2014 had not yet been ratified by Full Council. The Town Clerk confirmed he would have the minutes sent to Full Council.

615/14 Action Report

142/13 Members received an update from the Town Clerk on the Chamber door.

905/13 Members were informed a provider had been selected for the new website and it was hoped work would begin shortly.

511/14 Members discussed the current status of the Public Toilets project.

Cllr. H. Mordue left the meeting during the following item.

616/14 **Accounts and Budgets**

616.1 Members received and considered the income and expenditure reports. The Town Clerk informed Members that a rebate had been received in respect of rates related to the Cemetery Lodge, and the budget line would now show funds of c.£500.

616.2 Member received and discussed the Precept report.

Cllr. P Hirons informed members he wished to request a sum of £5,000 be made available in the precept for the purchase of new screens and a laptop to facilitate with the viewing of planning applications. Cllr. Hirons commented that the equipment would be useful to all Council Committees.

Proposed by Cllr. P Hirons, seconded by Cllr. A Mahi that £5,000 be set aside during precept for the purchase of screening equipment.

Members discussed the grant to be received from AVDC this year and its context within Buckingham's Precept.

An amendment proposed by Cllr. P Collins, seconded by Cllr. M Smith and **AGREED** that the Planning Committee receive a budget of £5,000.

Amendment
For: 12
Against: 1
Abstention: 0

Substantive
For: 13
Against: 0
Abstention: 0

Cllr. Harvey suggested holding back payment of BALC subscription fees due to the current disorganisation of the body. Members discussed and **AGREED** that the subscription fee should still be budgeted for but **RECOMMENDED** the matter should be brought back to the next Resources Committee meeting on 23 February 2015 for further discussion.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK

Proposed by Councillor Smith, seconded by Cllr. Stuchbury and **AGREED** that the Officer Recommendations be accepted.

For: 13
Against: 0
Abstention: 0

617/14 **Financial Documents for Approval**

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617.1 Members received and discussed the Councils Financial Regulations document. Following discussion members **AGREED** to add in the legal requirement to provide a pension on page 4 paragraph 7.

617.2 Members received, discussed and **AGREED** the Standing Orders as they currently stand.

617.3 Members received, discussed and **AGREED** Financial Risk Assessment as it currently stands.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK

618/14 Grants 2015

The grant applications were received, discussed and agreed as below:

Applicant	Contact	Declarations Of interest	Proposer/Seconder	Voting	Grant Applied for	Alternative Amount proposed	Grant Awarded
Buckingham AED Project	Mr.G. Shaw	Cllr. G Collins Cllr. Hirons Cllr. Newell	P. M Smith S. A Mahi	For: 10 Against: 0 Abstention: 3	£555	£0	£0
Buckingham Churches for Children – Holiday club	Stephen Townsend		P: M Smith S: R Stuchbury	For: 4 Against: 9 Abstention:0	£750	£500	£750
			P: R Lehman S: R Newell	For: 9 Against: 4 Abstention:0 CARRIED		£750	
Buckingham Summer Festival	J. Walton		P: M Smith S: L O'Donoghue	For: 12 Against: 1 Abstension: 0	£1,500	£1,000	£1,000
Buckingham Tennis Club	Hilary Baxter		P: M Smith S: R Stuchbury	For: 12 Against: 0 Abstension: 1	£3,840		£3,840
Buckingham Winslow & Dist Citizens Advice	Mr Ian Payne	Cllr. Smith	P: M Smith S: R Stuchbury	For: 13 Against: 0 Abstension: 0	£5,000		£5,000
Buckingham Youth Clubs LTD	John Barnett	Cllr. O'Donoghue	P: P Collins S: P Hirons	For: 2 Against: 9 Abstension: 2	£5,000	£3,000	£5,000
			P: R Stuchbury S: R Newell	For: 9 Against: 2 Abstension:2 CARRIED		£5,000	
Chandos Park Bowls Club	Bob Reynolds		P: R Stuchbury S: M Smith	For: 10 Against: 3 Abstension: 0	£500		£500
Friends of The Old Gaol Museum	Jean Summers	Cllr. Smith Cllr. Bloomfield	P: L O'Donoghue S: R Stuchbury	For: 13 Against: 0 Abstension: 0	£300		£300

North Bucks Carers Support Group	Matina Gibson	Cllr. Newell	P: R Stuchbury S: J Harvey	For: 11 Against: 0 Abstension: 2	£411.82		£412
Project Street Life	Jill Townsend		P: P Hirons S: M Smith	For: 11 Against: 2 Abstension:0 CARRIED	£800	£500	£500
			P: J Harvey S: A Mahi	For: 2 Against: 11 Abstension:0		£800	
Slade Recreation Club Limited	Mr James Melrose		P: M Smith S: R Lehman	For: 6 Against: 4 Abstension:3 CARRIED	£566	£0	£0
			P: P Hirons S: J Harvey	For: 4 Against: 6 Abstension: 3		£250	
The Swan Community Hub (Job Club)	Stephen Townsend		P: M Smith S: R Stuchbury	For: 12 Against: 1 Abstension:0	£1,000		£1,000
YC 2 (Young Carers)	Margo Partiff		P: M Smith S: R Newell	For: 13 Against: 0 Abstension: 0	£500		£500
3 rd Buckingham Scouts	Dean Jones		P: P Hirons R: A Mahi	For: 9 Against: 3 Abstension: 1	£30,000	£0	£0
			P: R Stuchbury S: H Cadd	For: 3 Against: 9 Abstension: 1		£,2000	
TOTAL AWARDED							£18,802

619/14 Internal Audit

Members received the report and discussed the options presented for 2015.

Proposed by Cllr Stuchbury, seconded by Cllr Newell and **AGREED** that the Town Council proceed with Company C at a cost of £465.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK

620/14 Chairman's Announcements

The Town Clerk informed members he had received a call from District County reporting Project Street Life have requested the toilets on Moreton Road be shut at 6pm. The decision is for district Council to take but they wished to consult with the Town Council.

Members discussed the matter and concluded they are happy for the toilets to be closed at 8pm but no earlier.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK

621/14 Date of Next Meeting: Monday 23rd February 2015
Cllr. Mrs. G Collins gave her apologies for the next meeting.

622/14 COMMITTEE IN PRIVATE SESSION

Exclusion of Public and Press

RECOMMENDED In terms of Schedule 12A, Local Government Act 1972, the following items will be likely to disclose exempt information relating to establishment and contractual matters and it is, therefore, RECOMMENDED that pursuant to the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 the public and press be excluded.

623/14 Staffing

To receive a report from the Town Clerk

Members **AGREED** the recommendations and **RECOMMENDED** to Full Council to increase the Accounts Assistants hours by four hours a week.

Meeting closed at: 9.00pm

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Date.....