

MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING ON MONDAY FEBRUARY 10TH 2014.
AT 7pm IN THE PARISH COUNCIL OFFICE.

Present: Councillors C. Lake (Chairman), Mrs J. Brown, Mrs J. Prescott , S. Haskell
Mrs B. Thwaite, M. Gibson and Mrs M. Gibson (Clerk)

43. Apologies for absence

No Apologies were received ,

44. Declaration of Interests

No Councillors had interests to declare.

45. Chairman welcomed Councillor Gibson to this committee.

46. Report on Expenditure for 2013/14

This was checked and all within agreed budgets at present time.

47. Precept - Chairman reports It had been confirmed that the Govt. Levy to Parishes would be reduced by the 13% Govt were cutting District Councils allocations. If we leave our Precept request as at present (£134,000) we would get this plus the Govt. levy of £8760.26 making our total income £142,760.26. If we wish to have a total Precept income of £134,000 we Precept request for £125,239.74 which with the grant would make it a total of £134,000. **Agreed that we propose to full Council that we leave our request at £134,000 and would then get £142,760.26 .**

48. Matters for attention

i) To discuss quotes for tree work following annual check

Clerk reports she has only had one response to the quote requests from DCG at a total cost of £840.

Agree we propose to full Council that be accepted.

ii) Update on Community Mini-Bus

Nothing further on this yet. Their meeting is not until later this month.

iii) Update on feasibility Study for Kirkgate School.

Chairman reports that Feasibility Study had been received today but as this is over 67 pages long this had not been studied properly yet. Councillor Haskell reports that it does state this could be Feasible but would have to be funded from Grants, Purchase or Loans would make this not possible. **After much discussion it was agreed that this study be sent to Mr Potts (chairman of the Friends) asking if he wishes to call a meeting of the sub-committee to discuss this study and the future of the School.**

Councillor Mrs Thwaite was concerned that the survey did not mention would people be happy to pay more rates to keep this going. Councillor Haskell stated that this would not happen as the Parish Council have realistically done all they can to help the Friends it would now be down to them to proceed any further with regard to getting funding and organising working groups to run it etc. Grants needed would be astronomical to get this project up and running. **Agreed that we leave it to Mr Potts to call a meeting of the sub-committee and see where it goes from there.**

iv) Reply from YLCA regarding Full Graveyards.

Clerk had received reply stating that if the District Council take this over they will charge the Parish for this anyway. We would be responsible for the grass cutting, paths and wall around the graveyard.

Agreed we propose to full Council that we should take this over when it is full as this would probably be the best and cheapest option.

v) Information regarding CAB outreach.

As requested at last meeting costs for CAB outreach at EPC costs £1512 pa. and the Library one was £1142pa.

vi) To Approve/Decide signs for Eversley Park Rules.

Committee felt that Option A was best and clearest one, could we have Parish Council Crest on left side at top and Eversley Park and right hand side. **Agreed we propose to full Council that this be ordered at a cost of £450.50.**

vii) To Discuss Complaint about Street Lighting in Springfield Road.

Clerk reports she has had complaint about the poor lighting in this area, but as this was agreed to be our next area for upgrading, she had replied to the resident telling that this would be done in the next financial year and they were delighted with this response.

viii) To Discuss quote for Annual Play checks.

Clerk reports that as Record had only done one of our areas this year she had asked for quote making sure all 3 areas were covered. This was for £375 per year. As RoSPA was only £280.80 for the 3 areas this year. **Agreed Clerk contact RoSPA and ask for a price for them before decision is made.**

ix) To Discuss quote for Legionnaires check at Rugby Club

No quote received yet.

x) To Discuss quotes for Fencing at Eversley Park Centre.

Two quotes were received. Committee went out to look at the area. After this site visit it was agreed a bigger area would make better sense and the Manager of the Centre would get 3 quotes for the new proposals before the next Finance meeting. **Agreed we also ask Eversley Park Committee what funding they could put towards this work.**

xi) Form received for Gala Stand.

Agreed that this form be filled and cheque sent for the £25 for this stand at Mondays PC meeting.

xii) To Consider purchase of New Goals for Fairway area.

Letter received from Fairways Committee stating that this area needs new goals posts and nets quoting a price of £2,376 inc. VAT of which they are willing to pay £1500. requesting £876 from this council.

Agreed we ask them to get 3 quotes for this work and also wish to see copy of their accounts.

Additional item

Chairman asked that we look into purchase of New Chair for Parish Council office as the typist chair has broken - Agreed Clerk go ahead and get new chair.

also Name Place for Councillors -.Clerk had looked at these and 15 would cost £26.52

Agreed Clerk go ahead and purchase these.

