

MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING ON TUESDAY JANUARY 14TH 2014.
AT 7pm IN THE PARISH COUNCIL OFFICE.

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

Also present one member of the public.

38. Apologies for absence

No Apologies were received ,

39. Declaration of Interests

No Councillors had interests to declare.

40. Report on Expenditure for 2013/14

Clerk handed out up to date list of expenditure this was checked and all within agreed budgets at present time.

41. Matters for attention

i) To discuss quotes for tree work following annual check

No quotes received yet.

ii) Report on meeting with Church regarding floodlighting.

Councillor Haskell reports that he and Councillor Gibson and also District Councillor Jordan had met with the Vicar regarding this proposal. The Vicar thought this was a great idea, but would have to get Church Council approval before anything could be done. Councillor Gibson states this is usually done with blue lighting which is very effective but not too intrusive. Vicar states they had looked at doing this before and the quote they received then was for £2000. Much discussion took place about who would pay for this and the Chairman states that if the Church fill in a Grant application form this could be looked at in March when all Grant applications are dealt with. The Church would have to pay for the power for this lighting but Councillor Gibson states that LED lighting is quite cheap to run, probably less than £50 per year.

Councillor Haskell also reports that the Vicar mentioned that the Church Yard will be full in the next couple of years and then it will be our responsibility. Clerk states we have already told Selby we do not wish to take this on. Councillor Haskell stated that at the training session he had attended they state that the Parish Council will be charged by the District if they take it on so we will have to foot the bills anyway. **Agreed Clerk check with YLCA on this position.**

iii) Update on Community Mini-Bus

Nothing further on this yet. We await proper response from the Committee after their meeting.

iv) Update on feasibility Study for Kirkgate School.

Cheque for £3,300 for first instalment of account was signed. Study should be with us by the end of January 1st week in February latest. Letter from NYCC stating that PC need to confirm the situation by the end of February and make a formal offer of purchase. If PC do not want it will go to public auction in March/April to minimise holding costs.

v) Quotes for work on play Areas following annual check.

This item been passed from LAP meeting on Monday evening for approval. Quote totalling £569.50 for work needed on Eversley Park area. **Agreed this be proposed to full council for approval.**

Clerk reports that other work needed is at Finkle Hill - perimeter log on play area top bar is on floor and needs attention -**Agreed we ask Mr Varley to deal with this.**

Also fairway Basketball area wire broken and need fence repair -Clerk had spoken to Mr Varley who states this sort of wire is not now available in any large quantities, would mean a total new fence around

the area, he could get a roll of this wire which could be used to repair the fence if the Parish Council agree to that -**Agree we ask him to get this and do the work as soon as possible before more gets damaged.**

vi) New Printer for Office

This was discussed at last Finance meeting two quotes forward for a new machine upgrade on present one with a fax machine for £450 and another for a double sided printer with fax machine also at £499. This includes installation of the machine. 1 years warranty. Clerk reports that present machine has gone on strike today so it was **Agreed the £499 new machine be ordered immediately.**

42. OTHER MATTERS FOR INFORMATION.

a) **E-mail regarding meeting at SDC Regarding Community Infrastructure Levy on 29th January at 6pm at Civic Centre in Selby.**-Chairman would attend this meeting.

b) **Clerks & Council Direct** -Clerk reports that this has come today and front page states that Coop Bank are to drop council accounts. Nothing heard from the bank themselves yet.

c) **District Council and Govt Levy payment.** -Councillor Haskell asked if we have heard if Selby intent to pay this to Parishes or not. Clerk report it states and of January before final decision is made. **Agreed we may have to revise our Precept request of this does not get paid.**

Date of Next meeting

As Wednesday appeared to be difficult for most Committee it was agreed that LAP meetings would be first Monday in the Month and the Finance 2nd Monday in the Month.

Councillor Hunt states she would resign from the Finance Committee as Mondays difficult for her.

Next Finance meeting Monday February 10th 2014.