

MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING ON MONDAY 9th MAY, 2016
AT 7.30pm IN THE PARISH COUNCIL OFFICE.

Present: Councillors C. Lake (Chairman), P. Doherty, Mrs J. Brown, Mrs J. Prescott, B. Packham and Mrs M. Gibson (Clerk)

1. **Apologies for absence-** Apologies were received from Councillor B. Thwaite
2. **Declaration of Interests** - No Councillors had interest to declare.
3. **a) Report on Expenditure for 2016/17** –Some funding will be left from Cycle Saturday So this needs to be agreed with the sub-committee for what to do with any surplus. It was noted the incorrect amount is shown for the defibrillator. To date £720 of the CEF grant has been spent and the remainder is likely to be used on the purchase and fitting of an upgraded box. The CDO is getting quotes for two boxes with improved security and copies of these will be referred to James Stead. Councillor Packham reports he may be able to help from his NYCC funding if necessary.
 - b) **Update/Report on Internal Audit for 2015/16** –Clerk reports all Ok but auditor will be sending written report as soon as possible.
 - c) **To propose full Council sign off Audit for year end –Agreed this be completed and propose to full council that this be signed off.**
 - d) **To discuss setting up committee to carry out an internal Control Exercise- Agreed we propose to full council that this be 2 members of the Finance Committee, the Chairman and one other and this check be done quarterly.**
4. **MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION**
 - i) **Update on proposed footpath work at the Church (106 funding)** –Clerk reported that still no quote from the Church for this work.
 - ii) **Angling Club Fencing** – Three quotes received for this work, **agreed that the £2,186 quotation be proposed to full council and approved subject to checks on work done by this contractor. (CDO officer to check on this before Parish Council meeting)**
 - iii) **To discuss Section 106 monies still available to this Parish** –Still awaiting confirmation from District Solicitors that the S106 agreement has been amended to allow funds to be used anywhere in the village. **Agreed we suggest to LAP committee that they get full quotes for the Fairway new surface and fencing and ask users what they require. Then the Council is prepared when the 106 position is finalised.**
 - iv) **To discuss request for compensation from Elmete Social Club** –Agreed we propose to full council that we write to Club and state work was carried out with Planning Permission and it is not normal practise to pay compensation under these circumstances.
 - v) **To discuss quotes for boilers at Finkle Hill** – only two quotes received, ask for another quotation before next meeting.
 - vi) **To agree quotes for Eversley Park/Fairways/Spinney etc** – Agreed we propose to full Council that these be accepted.

vii) To discuss land at Sherburn-in-Elmet-Parish Council Chairman reports he had been approached by Wainwrights regarding selling piece of land behind the Church this is a scheduled site. They had mentioned a price which the Committee felt was far too much. Parish Council could not afford to buy this land and even if it was given to the Council we do not have an obvious use for it and there would be ongoing costs. **It was agreed that we would write to Wainwrights representative on this basis. Councillor Packham taken details of history of the site and will look into it further and depending on the results may contact English Heritage with a view to r proper Archaeological investigation being carried out.**

viii) To discuss Govt. & Accountability for annual accounts & governance statements. Clerk had had a quick look at this which appears to be clarification of year end reports, but not had chance to really check this. Finance Chairman would have a proper look at this and report to next meeting.