Minutes & Proceedings of the Finance & General Purposes Committee Meeting

Held at the Community Centre Monday 9th January 2017

Present Cllr D, North (Chair) Cllr P Ford (vice chair), C, Barnett D, Dyson, K Wicks, B Lee, J Walker, (Clerk)

- **84.** Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs, R, Booker, J Giles, P Makinson,
- **85.** Minutes of the previous meeting. Held Monday 5th December 2017 were read.
- **86.** Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.
- **73 D,** The chair said the road at the back of VHE is full of fly tipping again and BMBC officers are now looking at the land registry to confirm ownership of the land. Cllr P Makinson asked if we could put CCTV cameras up or put signs up warning that CCTV is in operation. Cllr C Barnett said he has a portable camera but it has a red light when in operation. If it disappears it's no great loss. Cllr D Dyson said he had a sign which could be put up first to see if it would deter fly tippers.
- **73 E,** The chair said the issues are still ongoing at Sandy Bridge Lane and we need to arrange a meeting

with BMBC officers.

The chair reported back that a site meeting had been held with BMBC officers and we are waiting for them to get back to us. All the stones along the verges have been removed. We will go to the brick works to see if there are any boulders we can have. Cllr P Makinson asked if we could ask KB to borrow his truck / hi-ab to transport them.

87. Ratification of the minutes of the previous meeting.

- **87 A.** Proposed ratification Cllr P Ford seconded by Cllr B Lee. The minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday 5th December 2016 are ratified.
- **88.** Accounts for payment. Cheques to the total value of £2342.33 were approved for signing. Cheques were signed by Cllrs D North and P Ford.
- 89. Monthly Statement of Accounts. The clerk produced a statement of Receipts and Payments up to and including the month of December 2016. Direct debits are BMBC rates £440.00. Yorkshire water community centre £44.00 Yorkshire water allotments £118.00. BMBC Grounds maintenance £376.26. Total direct debits £982.26. Cheques were made payable to SYPA ex clerks pension £76.31. Darby & Joan Xmas party £100.00. Cllr P Ford padlock, tape, hi vis vests and a strip light fitting. £135.89. A cash withdrawal for staff Xmas gifts £80.00.

Total expenditure for December 2016 £5485.31. Total income for December 2016 £356.00. Members accepted the figures and the clerk was thanked accordingly.

90. Correspondence.

- 90 A. Monthly invoice from SYPA for the ex-clerks pension. For the value of £76.31.
- 90 B. Received from BMBC update to electors register.
- 90 C. Letter from I Taylor 35 The Green View Shafton requesting to go on the allotments waiting list.
- **90 D.** Received from British Gas. Business gas bill for the period from 1st Oct to 31st Dec for the value of £529.16 incl VAT of £59.80.

91. Any other business.

- **91 A.** There are several 4x4s in the parking areas on The Green View Shafton in various states of repair one is on bricks and others appear to be under repair. Following a discussion the chair said he would contact Gill Taylor at Berneslai Homes. The clerk will also email G Taylor regarding these vehicles.
- **91 B.** Cllr P Ford asked if we could contact Wakefield Council to ask that they litter pick there section of Sandy Bridge Lane Shafton. The clerk agreed to contact Wakefield Council.
- **91 C.** Cllr P Ford At present we have a mouse infestation at the community centre. Can we ask all user groups to remove their rubbish on a daily basis. Also the hoover has been broken again and it is unclear who is actually doing the cleaning. The clerk said our insurance only covers four employees so in the event of an accident and potential claim who is responsible. The forum group agreed to have a meeting with Play Works to raise these issues.
- **91 D.** Cllr C Barnett said the company who have the container in the car park have made a donation of £100.00 in appreciation for the use of the car park.
- 91 E. The chair said please note that at the next meeting we will set the precept for 2017/18.

92. Date of next meeting. 6th February 2017 at 07.00pm.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 08.15pm.

Charges and payroll review.

Current charges. £15.00 per session

Increased charge.

Play Group 8.50 to 11.50.

Play Works £320.00 per calendar month

7.30 to 8.40 & 15.00 to 18.00

Ladies Group, 2 hours small room £4.00 per session

Children's parties £12.00 per hour

All weather court £18.00 per hour adults

All weather court £11.00 per hour juniors

Football £20.00 per match adults

100 H. Football, £6.00 per match juniors

(Free for Shafton junior teams)

Bowling season ticket £24.00 per season

Bowling day ticket. £2.00 per day

Bowling match & competition fees £170.00 per season

Allotments £25.00 per annum

Payroll review

The national minimum wage will rise from £7.20 per hour to £7.50 per hour on 1st April 2017. This will be an increase of 4.1% which will apply to the litter picker and cleaner.

The current hourly rates are:-

Cleaner and litter picker £7.20. Caretaker £7.50. Clerk £12.00.

2016 / 2017 Precept.

Cllr C Barnett proposed a 1.5% increase to the precept Cllr D Dyson seconded the proposal. The meeting voted five to two in favour of the proposed increase.