

**MINUTES - HISTON PARISH COUNCIL FINANCE MEETING SATURDAY 7<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2012 9.30a.m. at Parish Office, New Road, Impington**

Present: Cllr Robert Plumbly (Chair), Max Parish, Neil Davies  
Clerks: Angela Young, Lynda Marsh

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**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

F11/69 None. Cllr Jones was absent. Cllr Thurman had now resigned from Council

**MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

F11/70 Neil Davies – Personal Interest on Precept request items:  
Member of St Andrews Church  
Trustee & Treasurer, Friends of H&I Rec  
Trustee & Treasurer, Histon Feast

**TO SIGN AND APPROVE MINUTES OF MEETING 19<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2011**

F11/71 All **agreed** to sign as correct record

**TO SET RECOMMENDED PRECEPT REQUEST 2012-13**

F11/72 Papers provided for all outlining options. Final papers attached (**Appendix 1 and 2**)

Neil Davies suggested an overview was required. Some small alterations made (e.g. administration, training, subscriptions) and discussion/decisions on:

- StAC Project request for £10,000. Suggestion that could be considered over a period of instalments. Some concern over precedent and need for a caveat that facilities need to be open to the public and StAC can satisfy the Parish Council that public use will be defined
- Bypass Farm Lease (Community Facilities Fund) £15,000 request could be reduced if final figures unacceptable
- Brook Improvements **Agreed** to take out £2,000 request for Environment Committee and to take any improvements from maintenance budgets
- Elections budget can almost be viewed as reserves, earmarked as contingency
- Some changes had been made to budgets following clarification of request from Olympics Project and Histon Feast Committee
- Neil Davies asked for savings made on actuals 2012-13 to be shown clearly
- All **agreed** £3,750 ring-fenced wayleave should be spent in 2012-13 on capital projects
- Small % increase on precept level acceptable
- Computer budget to **increase to £1,000** to cover initial website expenditure (design and amalgamation costs)
- Noted subs will be less once grouped
- Youth – **agreed** to reduce to £5,000
- StAC – **Budget £2,500 2012-13** with recommendation to new Council to match £2,500 2013-14
- Savings on insurances, audit etc not accounted for. Once changes **agreed** made General Reserves to end 2013 now show as £45,487

Virement from Community Facilities remains an option

**Agreed to recommend that Council hold Precept level for Histon at £160,000** noting a progressive budget. Cllr Parish to write up detail of decisions and objectives

Next meeting proposed 30 January 2012 or 26 March 2012

Meeting closed 12.30 p.m.