

Whiteley Parish Council

Finance Committee

Minutes of a meeting of the above Committee held at the Meadowside Leisure Centre, Whiteley on Wednesday 27th February 2008 at 7pm.

Parish Council Committee members present:, Mike Evans (Chairman) , David Jenkins, Vic Hatch, Kairen Goves, Brian Hughes.

Parish Councillors Vivian Achwal, and Brenda Hatch.

Parish Clerk Nicki Oliver did not attend because of item 4.4. Members of the public were also excluded during discussion of this item .

1 To receive apologies for absence: none.

2 To receive declarations of interest regarding agenda items: none.

3 To adjourn meeting to allow participation of members of the public

4 Meeting resumed to consider the following agenda items:

4.1 To appoint Vice-Chairman of this committee following Cllr Vic Hatch's resignation from the post: **Cllr Brian Hughes was appointed Vice-Chairman.**

4.2 To consider Meadowside grant application of £353 for assistance towards the Adopt a School project which the PC has supported in the past. (Three sessions were part funded with payments of £132 made in November 2005 and £264 in May 2006.) Application circulated to all councillors. **Agreed to recommend to Full Council that a grant of £353 be made in instalments at the commencement of each 5 week sessions**

4.3 To consider grant application form Whiteley Art Society for up to £800 for audio visual equipment to assist with demonstrations. Application circulated to all councillors. **Agreed to recommend to Full Council that a grant not be made to Whiteley Art Society given that only 20% of the membership is in the Whiteley Council area. It would seem more appropriate for the Art Society to apply for an Arts Activity Grant from Hampshire County Council .**

4.4 To review Clerk's contract, terms of employment and agree new salary scales (Chairman) **Following discussion it was agreed by majority of Committee (1 abstention) to recommend to Full Council that the Parish Clerk's salary be increased from 1 April 2007 (including back-pay) in accordance with the National Agreement. This followed an independent assessment undertaken by HAPTC representative, the National Vice Chairman of the Society of Local Council Clerks. All relevant papers previously seen by Finance Committee to be forwarded to Full Council members by the Chairman for consideration at Full Council meeting on 3 March 2008.**

5. Recent correspondence: none.

Meeting closed 7.26pm