

LITTLE CHALFONT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee. 23rd October 2007.

Present: Cllrs Dale, Drew, (Chair), Dykins, Gibbs, Ingham, Marshall, Tate and Wilkinson.

Apologies: None.

Also present: Mr Clarke (Clerk).

1. Standing Orders were suspended for this item enabling members of the public to speak.
2. Declarations of Interest. Cllr Drew declared an interest in agenda item 17, Little Chalfont Village Day.
3. The Clerk's financial report was received.
4. **A payment of £22,371.88 to Amersham Town Council (grounds maintenance) was approved.**
5. Budget 2008/9.
 - a. Items for inclusion were identified including:
 - Village hall
 - Westwood Park drive, signs , tennis court payment machine and pavilion
 - Web site
 - Assistant Clerk and Parish Warden
 - Public relations
 - Notice boards
 - b. Hall and pitch charges will be increased by 2.5% and rounded to nearest pound.
 - c. A general cost inflation rate of 3% will be used.
6. Litter, waste and general appearance of the village. Cllr Drew circulated the first instalment of a report from the working party. Actions will be considered at the next meeting.
7. Bucks CC delegated budget. **Submissions will be made for:**
 - a. **A pedestrian crossing outside the library**
 - b. **Village gates.** It was noted that the Council and Village Society might wish to contribute to this item.
8. Village hall.
 - a. Terms of reference for a management committee were agreed. Cllr Drew hoped to have nominations for a full management committee by the next meeting.
 - b. **An application for change of use of the store to a Clerk's office will be submitted to Chiltern District Council.**
9. Web site. Cllr Marshall circulated examples of typical sites and will select one from a final list of five. **A cost of £500 for site implementation with a further £50 per month maintenance was approved.**
10. Vehicle activated signs. **Application will be made for two signs at a cost of £300 each to cover site surveys.** Locations to be A404 at the entrance to the village by Stony Lane and in Elizabeth Avenue.
11. Memorial benches. **The Clerk will obtain quotations for plastic benches as currently installed at the Green, Chenies Parade.**
12. CCTV behind the Village Hall. **Installation was approved at a cost of £497.50 subject to confirmation that the camera would not be easily vandalised.**
13. Black bags. **It was resolved that the Clerk should write to Chiltern District Council asking that residents of Nightingale Corner be informed of correct times for leaving their bags on the pavement for collection.**
14. Advertising Boards. **It was resolved that the Clerk will write to every trader in Chenies Parade and Nightingale Corner asking them to remove their boards from the highway.**

15. It was agreed that the Village Hall and Westwood Park will be made available free of charge on Village Day, 28th June 2008. Cricket will be cancelled on that day.
16. Alcohol free zones. **It was agreed that application should be made for Chenies Parade, The Green, Nightingales Corner and the area behind the library subject to a £2,000 limit on costs.**

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 10.50 pm.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 20th November at 7.30 pm.

Chairman.....

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