

# **BIDFORD ON AVON PARISH COUNCIL**

## **In the County of Warwickshire**



**Minutes of the Finance and Strategy Committee held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2006 at 8.50 pm (following the Planning Committee Meeting) in the Parish Meeting Room, Bramley Way, Bidford-on-Avon**

### **PRESENT:**

Cllr. Gerrard – Chairman

Cllrs. Ms. Deacon, Hiscocks (he left at 9.10 pm), Mrs. Keeley, Langston and Smith

### **1. APOLOGIES**

Apologies received and accepted from Cllrs. Hendey, Sandle, Spiers and Ms. Varga

### **2. APPROVAL OF ANNUAL ACCOUNTS FOR 2006**

The replies to the queries raised by the Parish Council at the Parish Council Meeting of 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2006 had been circulated and members made the following comments:

- **Burial Ground Fees** – although the explanation that the increase in the income was due to the St. Laurence Churchyard Maintenance fee having been received from SDC members felt this should be reflected by having a new heading called St. Laurence Maintenance
- It was accepted that total income figures are rounded up as this is acceptable accountancy/book keeping practice.
- **Miscellaneous Expenditure** – the details were accepted but the RFO should be requested to details them on the accounts
- **Debtors**—again, members felt details should for part of the accounts.
- **Crawford Memorial Hall and Broom Village Hall** – there was a difference in that the improvement project of the Crawford Memorial Hall was ordered by the Parish Council whilst the amount of £5,000 to Broom Village Hall was a grant. This should be made clear on the account.

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As to the Crawford Memorial Hall asset, a resolution to return this to the Crawford Memorial Hall should be passed by the full council at a Parish Council Meeting.

- **Grange Rd. Cemetery – unsold plots** – it was confirmed that these are unsold and will continue to remain so.
- **Cemetery stores** – insurance company has confirmed that this applies to the stores at each cemetery.
- **Plant & Equipment – Other Property** – the council accepts that these are as per the existing insurance schedule

As there were still some outstanding issues the council were not satisfied with, it was resolved that the clerk should advise the RFO accordingly and the accounts remained unaccepted until changes are made to the satisfaction of the Council.

### **3. TO CONSIDER REQUESTS FOR DONATIONS AND GRANTS**

The following were considered:

- St. John's Ambulance – agreed a donation of £50
- Bidford Community Group – agreed a donation of £400 towards their work running The Jolly Teapot
- Evesham Sea Cadet Unit – agreed a donation of £50 as they include members from Bidford Parish
- St. Laurence Church – agreed a donation of £100 towards the Flower Festival in celebration of the church's 800
- Vitalise (formerly Winged Fellowship Trust) – agreed a donation of £50 to provide holidays for the disabled and break for their carers
- Bidford Youth Club – a meeting for this to be discussed had been arranged but did not take place. The matter would be raised at the Youth Club's AGM. The Council were advised that the Youth Club had received grants from other avenues opened to them via the Village Liaison Officer.
- Sports Association – members felt the extra football pitch that had been given to the club, plus the fencing to set it up should be considered as a grant and it was agreed that no further donations should be given.

The meeting closed at 9.40 pm