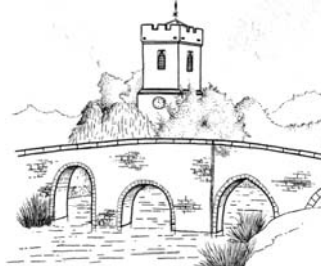


BIDFORD ON AVON PARISH COUNCIL

In the County of Warwickshire



Minutes of the Finance and Strategy Committee held on Monday 8th October 2007 in the Parish Meeting Room, Bramley Way, Bidford-on-Avon. The meeting took place after the Planning Committee Meeting and started at 8.30 pm

PRESENT:

Chairman : Cllr. Gerrard
Cllrs. Ms. Deacon, Hendey, Hiscocks, Mrs. Keeley, Sandle, Spiers and Ms. Varga

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies received and accepted from Cllr. Langston

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

All members of the Council are reminded that in order to comply with the Code of Conduct adopted by the Parish Council on 20th August 2007 if any matter arises during the meeting in which they have Declared an Interest which could be prejudicial, they should withdraw from the room and not seek to improperly influence a decision about that matter

There were none

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND STRATEGY MEETING OF 10TH SEPTEMBER 2007

Proposed by Cllr. Mrs. Keeley as being accurate and signed by the Chairman of the Committee

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 10TH SEPTEMBER 2007

- The commuted sum of £88k for Millers Bank did not show in the quarterly accounts as they are part of the reserve funds which do not show up in an Income & Expenditure account which is what is presented. In future the RFO will also produce a Balance Sheet, which does show the reserve funds.
- Currently all funds, except those required to make the monthly payments, are held in a Deposit Account the interest rate of which is 3.88%

5. QUOTATIONS FOR VARIOUS ITEMS OF WORK TO BE CARRIED OUT WITHIN THE PARISH

The following expenditure was approved:

- Removal of Japanese Knot Weed at St. Laurence : £250 for a two year treatment
- Felling of Poplar tree on Dugdale - £465.
- Clearance of St. Laurence Churchyard : £985.00 – this is subject to approval from both the Church and SDC

All work to be carried out by Limebridge Rural Services who already have the contract for St. Laurence Churchyard and for the clearing of Dugdale Avenue fields

6. REQUEST FOR GRANTS

The following grants were approved under Section 137:

- Grant of £25 to the Poppy Appeal
- Grant of £400 to the Bidford Community Group
- Grant of £100 to WRAP for its School Remembrance Project

The meeting closed at approx. 8.50 pm