

FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held at 7.00pm on Thursday, 13th November 2008 at The Institute. Councillors Blessett, Pelling, Shinkins, Wallis and the clerk Mrs Sheila Kostyrka attended.

29. To receive apologies for absence.

Cllrs Stevens (personal). Cllr Auger did not attend.

30. To receive declarations of interest, if any.

Cllr Blessett, Personal Item 32, Tax Assit known through business.

Cllr Shinkins, Personal Item 32, Ctax Management known through business.

Cllrs Blessett and Shinkins did not take part in the relevant parts of the decision making for this item.

31. To adopt the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 2nd October 2008

The minutes were adopted and signed by the Chairman.

32. To receive the report of progress in relation to matters arising from these Minutes not dealt with elsewhere on the agenda.

The Clerk presented the three quotes received from the accounts companies. After consideration of all the specifications, it was **recommended to Council that Ctax Management** be appointed to assist with the accounts as they provided the best value for money. It was confirmed that this would include providing monthly income and expenditure accounts, payroll, the writing of cheques and the preparation of the annual return for audit. The river bank grass cutting specifications had now been received, and it was **recommended to Council that Hoppers Landscapes** be **appointed** on a three year to cut the riverbank. The equipment to be used would provide the best standards and best value.

33. To report on the financial situation.

The current financial situation was agreed and signed by the Chairman.

34. To consider the recommendations made by Committees and Council to make recommendations to Council on 27.11.08. for the 2009-10 Budget Estimates.

The The Finance Committee reviewed the data attached at Appendix 1 1 to to this report to ensure that it was realistic, accurate and consistent with with Council activities. It also ensured that the budget requests of each the committees had been considered and it is confirmed that furth further requests received on 30.11.08 had been included. (Min (Min 104/08). It was unanimously agreed **to recommend to the that Council to approve the working budgets for 2009-10 and resoresolve to set a precept of £85,198.00**

35. Date of next meeting.

9th April 2009 at 7pm in the Clerk's Office at the Institute.
The meeting finished at 7.45PM