

FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held at 6.45pm on Thursday, 2nd October 2008 at The Institute. Councillors Augar, Blessett, Pelling, Stevens, Wallis and the clerk Mrs Sheila Kostyrka attended.

20.08 To receive apologies for absence.

Cllr Shinkins (work)

21.08 To receive declarations of interest, if any.

None.

22.08 To adopt the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 3rd July 2008

The minutes were adopted and signed by the Chairman.

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

Item 17. The Deeping Visually Handicapped Group had acknowledged our letter asking for their opinion in making the Newsletter available in other formats, and a reply was still outstanding.

Referred from Council 25.09.08 for consideration Item 87.13. The F&GP Committee noted the contents of the letter.

**24.08 To consider staff matters:
To consider the Appraisal Reports and make recommendations to Council.**

A Private and Confidential Report is attached at Appendix 1.

25.08 To consider Council expenditure as at 30.09.08 and review the current financial situation.

A summary of the Income and Expenditure for the sixth month period is attached at Appendix 2 to this report.

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

26.08 To discuss the Annual Audit report and make any recommendations to Council.

It was noted that Clement Keys had requested further information regarding the assets register and the reason for the increased precept prior to passing an unqualified audit - "On the Basis of our review, in our opinion the information contained in the annual return is in accordance with the Audit Commission's requirements and no matters have come to our attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met."

27.08 To consider the recommendations made by Committees so far for the 2009-10 budget Estimates prior to further consideration at Council on 30.10.08 and the Finance Precept meeting on 13.11.08.

Cemetery Committee 14.08.08 £6,000.00 for maintenance

Transport Committee 14.08.08 £4,100 for bus shelters

Special Projects - Insurance Claim provision £500

Allotments, Footpaths and Open Spaces 16.10.08

Youth and Community 16.10.08

28.08 Date of next meeting.

Thursday 17th November 2008 at 7pm in the Clerk's Office –
PRECEPT MEETING