



LYMM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes for the Finance Committee
held in the Main Hall, Village Hall, Lymm
On Monday 15th September 2014 at 6.30pm

Councillors: Cllr D Openshaw (Chairman)
Cllr P Powell
Cllr S Chapman
Cllr J Gittins
Cllr S Williams
Cllr K Buckley

1. Apologies

2. Code of Conduct – Declaration of Interests

Members were reminded of their responsibility to declare any personal interest or prejudicial interest that they may have in any item of business on the agenda no later than when the item is reached.

3. Quarterly Figures – April to June 2014

Cllr D Openshaw talked through the figures. The budget was underspent for the quarter but a number of large expenditure items were due to go through later on in the year.

Cllr P Powell felt that the Dingle Walkway was imminent. Once the knotweed is treated the walkway can be started.

Second quarter will be reviewed before Christmas.

4. External Audit Report

At the moment the report has not been received. The Clerk has been made aware that there will be a qualification because a Financial Risk Assessment was not undertaken in 2013/14.

The report has not yet been received from External Audit.

5. Clothing Charity

Cllr P Powell declared an interest.

The Clothing Charity forgot to apply for a grant for 13-14.

Resolved: to award a grant of £250 for 2013-14. To put an amount of £250 into next years budget.

6. Youth & Community Centre
Cllr J Gittins, Cllr K Buckley and Cllr S Williams declared an interest.

Request for grant for 20 hanging baskets and additional plants £450 - last year's grant was £300.
An explanation had been received from the Youth and Community Centre

Resolved: to award a grant of £450 for the Y&CC . To allow Lymm in Bloom a budget of £1000 for 14-15 to pay for all the beds and baskets around the Youth and Community Centre and to cover the areas that they already plant.

7. Internet Banking
The Parish Council now has on-line banking. The account is with Lloyds and requires 2 people to authorise any payment.

Suggest that the following is built into the financial regulations:

All payments to be agreed and signed at a Council Meeting. Clerk to place the payments on the account another Councillor to authorise payments. Cllr K Buckley, Cllr J Griffiths and Cllr P Powell to have online access. Quarterly reconciliations to be signed off by Cllr D Openshaw.

Resolved: to update the Financial Regulations

8. Movement Within Budgets

Although it is not possible to move money from the budget headings on the 'official budget' it is possible on a working budget. Please have a quick look through the headings - the one area that is looking to overspend is the Community Grants which was allocated £3000.

Resolved: to allow the Community Grants to overspend by £3,000 which equals a total spend of £6,000

To ask for accounts for all the groups that receive regular funding and distribute them to Finance members.

9. Any Other Business

The next meeting to be held on Monday 24th November after the Plans Sub Committee Meeting.

The meeting closed at 7.15pm