

HAWARDEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the **MEETING** of the **FINANCE COMMITTEE**
Held on **12 SEPTEMBER 2011**

PRESENT: Chair: Councillor David Mackie
Vice-Chair: Councillor Clive Carver

Councillors: As per Council Meeting.

Officers: R N Barnes, Clerk & Financial Officer

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Helen Brown and Alison Halford.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were no declarations of interest made by Members.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the Meetings of the Committee held on 11 July and 3 August 2011 be received as a true record and that they be signed by the Chair.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

There were none.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the Accounts for Payment in the sum of £42,765.50 be approved.

CLERK & FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

The following matters were reported:-

- (a) The Council's contributions to the Central Administration and Direct Maintenance Fund for the month, which were as follows:-

Central Administration £5,436.43

Direct Maintenance £4,546.82

- (b) Other relevant matters.

The second stage of the Council's precept had been received on 31 August.

BANK RECONCILIATION:

Members were referred to the Bank Reconciliation to 31 August 2011, a copy of which was attached to the agenda.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE REPORT:

The Clerk took Members through the report which was attached to the agenda. The report outlined the Council's expenditure to 31 August and income to 31 July highlighting any items appearing to vary significantly from what might be expected at the current stage in the financial year.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the report be received

INTERNAL AUDITOR'S REPORT:

The Chair referred Members to the report which was attached to the agenda.

It was noted that the Clerk was endeavouring through the Consortium proposal to secure lower street lighting energy prices and that a meeting was to be held with Lloyds Bank to investigate alternative low risk investment accounts. The Committee further noted the comment in relation to the valuation of its properties but did not agree to carry one out as it would be a costly 'paper exercise'.

MEMBERS' INFORMATION ITEMS:

There were none.

The Meeting closed at 8.30 pm.