

## **HAWARDEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of the MEETING of the FINANCE COMMITTEE Held on 12 DECEMBER 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, Alan Diskin, Glenys Diskin and John Walker.

#### **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 Meeting of the Committee held on 14 November 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 £24,895.74 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	£5,814.29
Direct Maintenance	£3,717.06

- (b) Other relevant matters.

The Council's third stage of its precept was due on 31 December 2011.

**BANK RECONCILIATION:**

IT WAS RESOLVED: to receive the bank reconciliation to 30 November 2011, a copy of which was circulated at the meeting

**HIGH INTEREST DEPOSIT:**

The Chair referred members to the various examples of available investment accounts, copies of which were attached to the agenda. Having considered the various accounts

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the Council should invest the sum of £100,000 in the Nat West Enhanced Fixed Rate Deposit Account for a 13 month period providing 2.4% net rate interest per annum.

**QUOTATION RE WORKS TO LIME TREES AT TRUEMAN'S PLAYING FIELDS, HAWARDEN:**

The Chair referred Members to the Schedule of Works and quotation from Trancanopy Tree Care, the tree care division of Scottish Woodlands Ltd, a copy of which was attached to the agenda.

IT WAS RESOLVED: that the Schedule of Works and the quotation in the sum of £960 be approved.

**MATCH FUNDING FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO PLAY AREAS 2012/2013:**

The Chair advised that Flintshire County Council had invited the Council to put forward a nominated play area for possible inclusion in this scheme to a maximum contribution level of £10,000. The Chair reminded Members that the Council had received £3,000 in the current financial year via this scheme towards an item of play equipment at Plough Lane, Aston.

Following some discussion IT WAS RESOLVED: that the Council should submit a request for a contribution of £3,000 towards the purchase of a 2.4m Cone Climber and associated safety surfacing for the Gladstone Playing Fields Play Area.

**FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE ROOFING WORKS OF THE FORMER SHAMBLES NOW THE BUS SHELTER ADJOINING THE GLYNNE ARMS, HAWARDEN:**

Members were referred to the correspondence from Hawarden Estates, which was attached to the agenda, seeking the Council's agreement to contribute towards the cost of the works.

IT WAS RESOLVED: to defer consideration of this request pending the receipt of further photographs and a breakdown of the costs.

**MEMBERS' INFORMATION ITEMS:**

There were none.