

MINUTES OF THE BUDGET MEETING OF WOLVEY PARISH COUNCIL
IN WOLVEY BAPTIST CHAPEL
WEDNESDAY 28th NOVEMBER 2012 at 7.30pm

12. 262 Present

Cllr Orchard (Chair)
 Cllrs Slee, Buswell, Kuncewicz & Nixon

M Cartwright (Clerk)

Apologies

None

In attendance

2 members of the public.

12.263 Declaration of Interest on Items on the Agenda

Councillor Orchard declared an interest as a member of the Wolvey Village Hall committee. Please see Minute 12.264 for dispensation for Disclosable Pecuniary Interests when considering the budget and precept.

12.264 The Council considered the requirement for dispensation for Disclosable Pecuniary Interests when considering the budget and considering the precept.

The Council RESOLVED that in the process of setting the budget and considering the precept so many members of the decision-making body had a disclosable pecuniary interest that it would impede the transaction of the business. The Council therefore grants an indefinite dispensation to all members to participate and vote on this item. According to s33 of the Localism Act 2011 the council has a right to grant such a dispensation.

The Council RESOLVED that Cllr Orchard be granted a dispensation to consider matters relating to the Village Hall as it considers that the dispensation is in the interests of persons living in the authority's area.

12.265 To receive comment and information from members of the public and members with a disclosable pecuniary interest

Residents from Orchard Close are reported to be very happy with the latest planning application for the development on land at Orchard Close

12.266 The Council considered the following NEW Planning applications

12.266.1 R12/1763 Land off Orchard Close, Wolvey, LE10 3LR

Erection of 2 no. detached chalet bungalows with garages, provision of parking and associated works.

RESOLVED: The Council has no objections to this application

12.267 The Council considered Monitoring the budget for year 2012-13

The donations section for Payments should be changed to Grants/donations

RESOLVED: to approve the budget monitoring table with the above change.

12. 268 The Council received an update on plans for the new youth group and considered the budget for the project.

Confirmation has been received from Rugby BC that a play grant for £1000 has been awarded towards the cost of setting up a youth group in Wolvey and having an event day to promote the club. It is also hoped that a further £800 will be available from Central Warwickshire's LEADER., although this has yet to be confirmed.

This funding should be sufficient to set up the group and run it for the first year.

The team leader for Positive Futures at Rugby BC will provide his expertise and advice regarding CRB checks, risk assessments and other legal requirements for a cost of £150 for the year. There are some limitations on the grants and so there may also be some additional costs that will not be covered by the grants.

RESOLVED: to allocate £350 to the project for the year 2012-13.

12.269 The Council considered the following Projects & items to be budgeted for year 2013-14:

1. Community Orchard- negotiations are taking place to acquire some land to rent for this project. Management will be carried out by local volunteers.

It is thought that the cost of acquiring the land and setting up the orchard will be approximately £3500

AGREED: provisional allocation £3500

2. Remembrance of the start of World War I

AGREED: provisional allocation £750

3. New youth group- allocation needed to enable ongoing management of the project after grants have finished

AGREED: provisional allocation £500

4. Delivery of newsletters and Christmas flyers

AGREED: provisional allocation £200 (in Miscellaneous section)

5. Vitalise

AGREED: provisional allocation £25

12.270 The Council considered the Applications for grants from local organisations for year 2013-14.

The Council AGREED a provisional allocation of grants to local organizations but this will need to be reviewed at a future meeting when any precept cap and the council tax base is known.

12.271 To consider the Budget for year 2013-14

Following discussion, the Council noted its outline draft budget for 2013-14.

AGREED this will need to be reviewed at a future meeting when any precept cap and the council tax base is known.

Proposed Budget 2013/14 –preliminary budget agreed 28th November 2012
(Final decision to be made once the council tax base and any precept cap is known)

Expenditure	<i>Proposed Budget allocation 2013-14</i>
Audit fees	460
WALC	439
Insurance	600
SLCC	140
CAB	75
Rugby Area Committee	50
Vitalise	25
Wolvey Churchyard	1500
Wolds Lane Cemetary	500
Millennium Building	0
Chapel burial ground	650
Brownies	300
Junior Cricket Club	360
Baby & Toddler Group	0
Village Hall	<i>To be reviewed</i>
Playing Field Trust	2600
Air Ambulance Appeal	<i>500- to be reviewed</i>
Wolvey Scouts	300
Over 60's club	450
Young people's group	500
Playing Fields equipment	0
Warwickshire Wildlife Trust	60
CPRE	36
Environment	500
OCF Wetland	<i>(use reserves)</i>
Diamond Jubilee/ Village at Play	0
Training	1000
Parish Plan	<i>(use reserves)</i>
Street Lighting: Cost of existing lights	3500
Upgrade to improve energy efficiency and post maintenance	5000
Salaries: Clerk	7500
Cover/transition for Clerk	<i>To be reviewed</i>
Miscellaneous	350
Admin expenses	1175
Chairs allowance	0
Election expenses	<i>(use reserves)</i>

Expenditure	<i>Proposed Budget allocation 2013-14</i>
Grass verge cutting	<i>(use reserves)</i>
Christmas tree	750
Website	<i>(use reserves)</i>
Newsletter	100 <i>(use reserves)</i>
Street furniture	250
Community Orchard	3500
Remembrance of start of WWI	750
Clerks gratuity/pension	<i>(use reserves)</i>
Quality Parish Status	<i>(use reserves)</i>
Traffic calming/CCTV	<i>(use reserves)</i>
TOTAL EXPENSES	33920

12.272 To consider a draft of the Precept for year 2013-14

A provisional figure of £34620 was AGREED but this will need to be reviewed at a future meeting when the government has provided information about any precept cap and Rugby BC has sent details of the council tax base for 2013. It is possible that it may be necessary to use some of the Council's reserve funds.

12.273 Finance

To consider payment of following cheques (under GPC)

- 273.1 cheque no.100659 Rugby Citizens Advice Bureau: £75
- 273.2 cheque no.100660 Rugby Area Committee: £50
- 273.3 cheque no.100661 Wolvey PCC: £2000
- 273.4 cheque no.100662 Wolvey Baptist Chapel: £650
- 273.5 cheque no.100663 Wolvey Brownies: £150
- 273.6 cheque no.100664 Wolvey Village Hall : £150 (Brownies)
- 273.7 cheque no.100665 Wolvey Village Hall: £1500
- 273.8 cheque no.100666 Wolvey Scouts: £300
- 273.9 cheque no.100667 Wolvey Over 60's group: £450
- 273.10 cheque no.100668 Warks Air Ambulance: £500
- 273.11 cheque no.100669 Vitalise: £25
- 273.12 cheque no.100670 Wolvey Village Hall (Baby & Toddlers): £300

Proposed: Cllr Buswell

Seconded: Cllr Kuncewicz

RESOLVED: to approve payments. Cheques and stubs signed

12.274 The Council considered a review of the effectiveness of the Internal Audit and systems of internal control

The 2011 review of the Internal Audit was considered.

RESOLVED: to approve the review with a change of the payment due to Mr Spencer to £175.
No other change at present.

The Clerk will be attending the WALC financial clinic in January and may recommend some changes after that.

12.275 Minor matters for discussion and items for next Meeting:

1. Grit bins for School Lane; Hall Road and Leicester Road. Councillors to investigate possible locations for these. Clerk to get quote for the grit bins

2. Clerk to ask about flood signs for Leicester Road

3. Councillor recruitment

4. Change to Standing Orders in view of change of Code of Conduct and granting of dispensations for Disclosable pecuniary Interests.

5. Update of Freedom of Information Publication Scheme

6. Emergency Planning

7 Meeting with planning officers

12.276 Date of Next Meeting:

Next meeting of the Council due to be held on **Monday 17th December** at 7.45pm in Wolvey Village Hall

12.277 The meeting was closed at 9.45pm