



## **FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE**

### Minutes of a Meeting held on Wednesday 11 July 2007

Present were Councillors B Slade (Chairman), M V Ainsworth, Mrs J M Anderson, Mrs J Andrews (up to item 8 only), M J Bradford, Mrs J Bradford and A M Laird.

In attendance were D J Morton, Clerk and Financial Officer, Mrs S J Bailey, Administrative Assistant and 10 members of the public and press.

#### **F14/07 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Members of the public raised the following matters:

- Councillor Mrs C Stringer asked why the council paid for the home telephone line rental for the Clerk and Financial Officer. The Clerk and Financial Officer was requested to issue an amended agenda which included this matter.
- A member of the Zion Church asked why the Edward Dunn Memorial Hall was not opened in time for booking on Saturday 7 July. The Clerk and Financial Officer said he would investigate this matter and report back to the person making the booking.
- Several members of the public asked if the council would be making a donation to the Rotherham Flood Appeal. (This matter was raised later on the agenda).
- Councillor Mrs L Laird asked if she could approach the press on various matters relating to the work of the Council.
- Councillor K Stringer asked for a) a list of all employees b) confirmation of their job title c) what their job entails d) how many hours per week they work and e) the monthly wage bill for the last 6 months.

#### **F15/07 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors J C Kirk, C McMahon, Mrs A L Rushforth and P Scholey.

#### **F16/07 PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS**

The Clerk and Financial Officer said that he had a conflict of interest on item 13 and would leave the room at the appropriate time.

#### **F17/07 GRANT APPLICATIONS**

**RECOMMENDED**: that a) under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 grants of £100 be made to a) Birks Holt Residents Association b) Maltby Retired Bowls Club c) Maltby Linx Youth Club and d) Maltby Manor Primary school.

**RECOMMENDED**: that under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 a grant of £1000 be made to the Rotherham Flood Appeal.

#### **F18/07 RECEIPTS SCHEDULE – JUNE 2007**

**RECOMMENDED**: that the Receipts Schedule for June 2007 in the sum of £95026.57 as now presented by the Clerk & Financial Officer, be confirmed.

F19/07 ACCOUNT/BANK RECONCILIATION – JUNE 2007

**RECOMMENDED**: that the account/bank reconciliation for June 2007, as now presented by the Clerk & Financial Officer, be confirmed.

F20/07 MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTS TO JUNE 2007

**RECOMMENDED**: that management accounts to June 2007, as now presented by the Clerk & Financial Officer, be confirmed.

F21/07 PAYMENTS SCHEDULE – JUNE 2007

**RECOMMENDED**: that the Payments Schedule for June 2007 in the sum of £12034.19 as now presented by the Clerk and Financial Officer, be confirmed.

F22/07 EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

- The Clerk and Financial Officer issued a schedule showing the band D equivalent payments of various Parish Councils.
- Councillors Mrs J Bradford and M J Bradford suggested that Councillors A D Foster and M Bradford update and maintain the council's web site with possible help from pupils of Maltby Comprehensive School.
- The Clerk and Financial Officer responded to a question from Councillor Mrs J Anderson about the deposit of accounts for year ended 31 March 2007.
- Councillor Mrs J Anderson suggested that meetings of the Town Council and its committees should be tape recorded and the Clerk and Financial Officer was requested to put this matter on the next agenda of the Town Council.

F23/07 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

**RESOLVED**: that the press and public be excluded from the meeting in accordance with sections 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to meetings) Act 1960 because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

F24/07 STAFFING ISSUES

The Clerk and Financial Officer declared an interest in this item and left the room. This item was administered by the Assistant Clerk and Financial Officer.

**RECOMMENDED**: that a grievance panel be formed consisting of Councillors A M Laird, Mrs L Laird and B Slade and various dates for a hearing were suggested.

F25/07 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Finance and General Purposes to be confirmed.

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm.