

**FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE**  
**Minutes of a Meeting held on Wednesday 25 February 2009**

Present were Councillors M J Bradford (Chairman), M V Ainsworth, and A M Laird, Mrs A L Rushforth and B Slade.

In attendance: Acting Clerk Councillor C McMahon, Acting Responsible Financial officer Councillor J C Kirk and the Assistant Clerk and Financial Officer Mrs S J Bailey plus 10+ members of the public and 1 press.

F73/08 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The following questions were asked:

- a) For no increase to the precept.
- b) If outside organisation were being brought in to investigate the allegations of fraud within the office of Maltby Town Council.

F74/08 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mrs J Bradford.

F75/08 DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTEREST

Councillors M V Ainsworth and M J Bradford declared a personal interest in item 17 – Grant for Maltby Festival.

F76/08 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

None

F77/08 COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED BY CHAIRMAN

None

F78/08 Items 6-8 ACCOUNTS FOR OCTOBER 2008 – Payments, Receipts and Account/Bank Reconciliations  
Item 9 ACCOUNTS FOR NOVEMBER 2009 Account/Bank Reconciliation  
Item 10 ACCOUNTS FOR DECEMBER 2009 Account/Bank  
Item 11-14 ACCOUNTS FOR JANUARY 2008 – Payments, Receipts and Account/Bank Reconciliations  
Item 15 Draft Budget Allocation for year April 2009 – March 2010.

After a discussion on the subject of Bank statements not being supplied with the accounts the chairman proposed that ITEMS 6-15 be set back until the statements are made available. Seconded by Councillor M V Ainsworth. Vote taken For 3 Against 2. Proposal carried.

**RECOMMENDED**: the accounts be submitted for decision at the next Finance and General Purposes Committee to be held in March.

F79/08 GRANT APPLICATIONS

**RECOMMENDED**: that on the receipt of the bank statements under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 a grant of £100 be made to: a) Maltby Musical Theatre Group and b) St Mary's School.

F80/08 MALTBY FESTIVAL GRANT APPLICATION

Councillors M V Ainsworth and M J Bradford declared an interest in this item.

As the accounts were not available the committee decided that this item could not be discussed. Councillor M V Ainsworth proposed for it to be an item on the March Town Council agenda if the accounts are ready. All agreed.

Also an agenda item - To consider applying conditions to any grants of £5,000 and over.

**RECOMMENDED**: that the Maltby Festival Grant Application be an agenda item on the March Town Council meeting and applying conditions to grants over £5,000 be agenda item on the Finance and General Purposes Committee

F81/08 FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

The Acting Financial Officer reported that this item be deferred until new standards are issued by NALC.

**RECOMMENDED**: that the report by the Acting Financial Officer be accepted.

F82/08 STAFFING ISSUES

Councillor Mrs A L Rushforth asked for an update in the process of applying for a new clerk. The Acting Clerk stated all packs are ready based on NALC and RMBC guidelines and it will be an item on the March Town Council agenda.

**RECOMMENDED**: that the report by the Acting Clerk be noted.

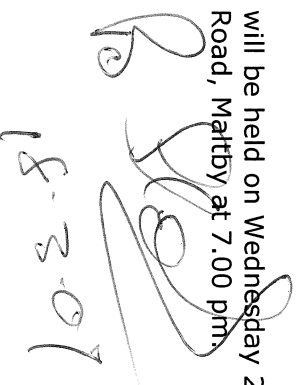
F83/08 EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

None.

F84/08 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Finance and General purposes will be held on Wednesday 25 March 2009 in the Edward Dunn Memorial Hall, Tickhill Road, Maltby at 7.00 pm.

**The meeting closed at 7.25 pm**

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