

**WIRKSWORTH TOWN COUNCIL – FINANCE, BUILDINGS & PERSONNEL  
COMMITTEE 13 MARCH 2017 at 6:30pm**

**FBP120/16 Present:** Cllr A Clamp (Chairman), Cllr F Brown, Cllr I Fisher, Cllr A Pollock, Cllr P Taylor and Cllr C Whittall.

In attendance: Paul Jennings (Town Clerk), 2 members of the public.

**FBP121/16 Apologies:** Cllr G Gratton

**FBP122/16 Variation of Order of Business:** to take item 8 Request for Meeting Space – Town Centre Action Group to be taken immediately after open forum.

**FBP123/16 Members' Pecuniary Interests in Agenda Items:** None declared.

**FBP124/16 Open Forum:** *Opened 6:35pm*

D Boston and K Acons of Town Centre Action Group provided background and explanation regarding the group's aims and objectives, in support of their request for concessionary meeting space.

*Closed 6:50pm*

**FBP125/16 To confirm the accuracy of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance Buildings & Personnel Committee held on 13 February 2017**

The minutes of the meeting of the Finance, Buildings & Personnel Committee dated 13 February 2017 were confirmed as a correct record.

**FBP126/16 Request for Meeting Space – Town Centre Action Group**

**RECOMM:** That the group update the application with more information, provide copies of the minutes from the last 3 meetings and on this basis a grant be made equivalent to 11 meetings from April 2016 to Mar 2018.

**FBP127/16 Monthly Budget Balance:**

The monthly budget balance was circulated for information.

**RECOMM:** That a transfer of £2000 be made to WMF, the monthly figures be noted.

**FBP128/16 Recommendation from Environment and Town Committee held on 6 March 2107**

ET115/16 - Planted Verge Outside Lime Kiln

**RECOMM:** That funds be allocated from planters budget in 2017/18 to enable Cllr Maskrey, Cllr Pollock and Cllr Gratton replant the two beds (budget upto £100).

ET119/16 - Litter within the Town Centre

**RECOMM:** That litter pickers and associated items be purchased for community use upto a total of £350 (funds from Town Promotions – line 33).

**FBP129/16 Request for Meeting Space – Twinning**

**RECOMM:** That the request be agreed, and a grant be made equivalent to 11 meetings from April 2017 to Mar 2018.

**FBP130/16 Community Group Meeting Space Concessionary Grant Information and Application Process**

Cllr Brown explained the new proposed form.

**RECOMM:** The reference to “Additional Resources required” in the application be removed, and an indication of room hire costs be included in the cover letter. On this revised basis, the form be adopted with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017.

**FBP131/16 IT Infrastructure Review**

**RECOMM:** That the Town Council move from DCC IT to SIA. That the desktops and server be upgraded (costs from Expenditure Line 22 in 2016/17 accounts). That the clerk investigate further the possibility and costs of switching to a high speed/capacity fibre solution to replace W3Z.

**FBP132/16 Acquisition of Church Walk**

**RECOMM:** That the Civic Society be invited to a meeting prior to FB&P at 6pm on 10<sup>th</sup> April 2017 to gain a better understanding of the group’s progress with the bin store project (to assist the council in determining whether to proceed with the acquisition).

**FBP133/16 Hearing Loop Installation in Council Chamber**

**RECOMM:** The clerk arrange for an audio engineer to review the current set-up and seek proposals which would improve the installation. At the same time to seek guidance on a possible solution for the Main Hall. Proposals to be presented back to FB&P in due course.

**FBP134/16 Town Ambassadors**

**RECOMM:** That all staff be encouraged to participate in the initiative (as a paid employee). That the clerk extend the invite to all town councillors.

*The meeting closed at 7:50 p.m.*

.....Chairman