



ALDERLEY EDGE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Finance Committee held on Monday 14th January 2013

Present: Cllr J Bergin (Chairman), Cllrs M J Connor, MH Williamson, N Schofield,
MD Lloyd, MW Maczkowiak and S Joseph

In attendance: Hall Manager
3 members of the public
Clerk – A. Ross

Meeting

Commenced: 8:22pm

1. Apologies for absence.

Cllrs DG Herald and F Keegan

2. To receive disclosures of personal and prejudicial interests from councillors on matters to be considered at the meeting.

None.

3. Minutes of the meeting held on 15th October 2012.

Approval proposed by Councillor S Joseph, seconded by Councillor MJ Connor and carried (at the Parish Council meeting of 12th November 2012 – point 8 on page C18).

4. Matters arising.

None.

5. Recommendations for expenditure.

a) To retrospectively approve the following items: £

None

b) To consider any other recommendations/requests.

Television for Festival Hall 400.00

It was agreed to raise the budget to £500 to include the Television and licence.

6. To approve the Schedule of Items Paid.

Approval proposed by Councillor S Joseph, seconded by Councillor MH Williamson and carried.

7. To approve the Statement of Accounts.

Approval proposed by Councillor MD Lloyd, seconded by Councillor MH Williamson and carried
It was noted that the opening balance figure on page 2 was wrong and the Clerk will correct this.

8. To approve the Summary of Operations for the Festival Hall.

Approval proposed by Councillor MJ Connor, seconded by Councillor MH Williamson and carried

9. To discuss the Budget Proposals for 2013/2014 and set a precept.

Councillor Bergin invited comments on the proposed budget figures, explaining the rationale for the amounts included where necessary. He explained that it was difficult to predict what the Festival Hall income will be due to planned building work and also explained that it was difficult to decide an allocation for allotments as no information was available to the Parish Council on this matter.

The amounts as stated in the papers circulated were felt to reflect the expected expenditure as far as could be predicted at present.

Accordingly, Councillor M H Williamson proposed, Councillor MD Lloyd seconded and it was carried that a precept of £120,000 be requested to be collected by the Cheshire East Council

10. To discuss the quote from LITE Ltd to maintain the Christmas lights for another five years.

After discussion it was agreed that the Clerk will get two other quotes before the Parish Council make a decision.

11. To approve the updated Financial Regulations.

Councillor Bergin invited comments on the proposed Financial Regulations. After discussion Cllr Bergin agreed to make the changes highlighted and request an external review of the regulations when they have been approved by the Parish Council.

12. Report from relevant councillor regarding Internal Controls.

Cllr Maczkowiak asked why no provision was in the budget for the Mayfair. It was highlighted that there is flexibility in the existing budget under grants should a request be made.

13. Notices and Correspondence.

None

14. Reports from Councillors.

Meeting Closed: 9:33pm

ACTION SUMMARY

Undertaken By	Detail	When For
Clerk	Correct balance carried forward figure	As soon as possible
Clerk	Obtain additional 2 quotes re Christmas lights	As soon as possible

Councillor J Bergin
CHAIRMAN