

# SANDBACH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance Committee held at 7.15 pm on 6 January 2005 at the Mayor's Room, Westfields.

**PRESENT** Councillors: M R Sherman, Chairman  
 Mrs D E Alcock  
 Mrs P E M Price  
 D Lloyd-Griffiths  
 J J Moore  
 B E Moran, Vice-Chairman  
 N T Price  
 W W Scragg

## 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillors: Mrs M E Smith, Chairman of the Council  
 P Wilson  
 E A Lea

## 2. FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR APPROVAL

**RESOLVED:** that the statement be approved.

## 3. BUDGET PROJECTION FOR APPROVAL

**RESOLVED:** that the projection be approved.

## 4. CONFIRM STATEMENT OF 'EAR MARKED' RESERVES

The Clerk reported that he had established from Joint Highways that they used a company called G & G Signs in Leicester. It was his intention to obtain a quotation from them for the missing sign. Nuttalls were the County contractor appointed to replace Jarvis whose subsidiary, Prismo, had manufactured and installed the original signs. So far they had been unable to recommend an alternative supplier. The report was noted.

**RESOLVED:** that the statement of 'ear-marked' reserves be approved.

## 5. CHEQUES FOR PAYMENT

The following cheques were approved for payment: -

Information Commissioner DPA 2005	£35.00
CBC accommodation for 2003-4	£386.46
SLCC subscription for 2005	£105.00

## 6. INTERNAL AUDITOR

**RESOLVED:** that J D Henry is re-appointed as internal auditor.

## 7. CHAIRMAN'S CHARITY ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR 2004

The account was attached for approval. The widow of last year's chairman, Mrs Cindy Keeling, sought advice on how the funds raised during the year

should be distributed. It was agreed that members would approach the Clerk direct with any suggestions they might have.

**RESOLVED:** that the account be approved.

## 8. SANDBACH LITERARY INSTITUTION

The Clerk gave a progress report following the Council's grant offer. He had attended a meeting with the Trustees and the architect on the 20 December.

**RESOLVED:** that meetings of the task group and of the task group and the trustees were arranged as soon as possible.

**RESOLVED:** that a paper be prepared summarising the position to be distributed with the agenda papers for the Town Council meeting on 3 February.

## 9. LETTERS OF THANKS FOR DONATIONS

### 9.1 Wheelock Community Association

Their letter of thanks for the promise of a grant for £5,000 is attached.

**RESOLVED:** that the letter be received.

### 9.2 Brereton Hand Bell Ringers

Their note of thanks for the £500 cheque is attached.

**RESOLVED:** that the letter be received.

## 10. APPLICATIONS FOR DONATIONS

### 10.1 Sandbach United Football Club

They had sent further information but asked for it to be kept confidential. In the view of the Clerk the information did not warrant the press and public being excluded since it did not give the financial information the Council required. He had written to SUFC accordingly.

**RESOLVED:** that the report be noted.

### 10.2 CAMSHAFT

A request for funding had been received. The Council had budgeted for an expected donation of £400.

**RESOLVED:** that an application form be sent to CAMSHAFT.

### 10.3 South and East Cheshire Special Olympics

They requested a grant of £1,000 towards coaches to attend games to be held in July in Glasgow.

**RESOLVED:** that a grant of £1,000 is awarded.

### 10.4 Sandbach Christmas Lights Committee

They request the budgeted grant of £2,000 towards the cost of the Christmas lights.

**RESOLVED:** that the Council is recommended to make the usual donation of £2,000.

### 10.5 Llangollen Eisteddfod

**RESOLVED:** that no donation is made.

## 11. CORRESPONDENCE

### 11.1 CVS – Meet the Funder Event

They thanked the Clerk for taking part in the “Meet the Funder” event on 8 November. Information had been given to a number of groups on how applications for grants should be made to the Town Council.

**RESOLVED:** that the letter is received.

## 12. DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

**RESOLVED:** that the next Finance Committee Meeting will take place on 10 March 2005 at the Mayor’s Room, Westfields.

The meeting closed at 8.14 pm.

M R Sherman  
Chairman

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