

CIRENCESTER TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of a Meeting of the Finance Committee held in The Bingham Gallery, Bingham House, 1 Dyer Street, Cirencester, at 6.00 p.m. on Tuesday, 11th April 2006.

PRESENT: Councillor J D Leigh - Chairman
Councillor Dr P A Hedges – Vice Chairman

Councillors: G T Adams
R Bourne
Mrs M T Eccles
B D Hudson (6.04 p.m. arrival)
R G Lock
D J Nash (6.03 p.m. arrival)
N E Whereat

Observer: Councillor Mrs S A Alexander

Andrew Rennie Crook - Town Clerk
Clive Sherwood – Deputy Town Clerk
Johan Newman – Personal Assistant

152.06 APOLOGIES

None were received.

153.06 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- a) Councillor Mrs M T Eccles declared a personal interest in respect of Minute No. 155.06 – 1st Cirencester Scout Group, as she knows the applicant.
- b) Councillor G T Adams declared an interest in respect of Minute No. 155.06 – Cotswold Victim Support, as he is the Council's representative.

154.06 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Special Finance Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 6th December 2005 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman, subject to Minute Nos. C91.06 and C92.06 to be considered under confidential matters.

155.6 GRANT AID 2006/7

Members received a schedule of the grant applications received, including supporting information, for the year 2006/7 (a copy of which is appended to the signed Minutes).

RECOMMENDED to Council that the following grants be made: -

App. No.	Applicant	Grant
1.	Cirencester, Cheltenham and Tewkesbury Citizens Advice Bureau	£3,350
2.	Cotswold Council for Voluntary Service	£1,750
3.	Cotswold Counselling and Support Centre	£2,275
4.	Cotswold Victim Support	£500
5.	1 st Cirencester Scout Group	£500
6.	Gloucestershire Association for Mental Health	Nil
7.	Home-Start Cotswold Limited	£500
	(Business Plan required with any future application)	
8.	Parentline Plus Gloucestershire	£250
9.	Vitalise	£100
10.	Cirencester Rugby Club	Nil
	TOTAL	£9,225

[Please note that at the Council Meeting held on 9th May 2006, £55.00 was awarded to the Gloucestershire Association for Mental Health.]

156.06 KINGSHILL LANE SPORTS DEVELOPMENT SITE

Members received a report from the Clerk advising Members on the current situation relating to husbandry of the pitches and proposals for the future at Kingshill Lane Sports Development Site, Cirencester (a copy of which is appended to the signed Minutes).

RECOMMENDED to Council that approval be given to the taking up of professional advice on an hourly basis in respect of husbandry of the pitches at the Kingshill Lane Sports Development Site and authorise works as required.

157.6 ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT

Members received a report from the Clerk regarding information relating to the new regulations concerning accounts and audit (a copy of which is appended to the signed Minutes).

RESOLVED that the report relating to the Accounts and Audit (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2006 be noted on the basis that the accounts for the year 2004/5, together with the Auditors Report, be presented at the next Council Meeting to be held on 9th May 2006.

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158.6 MINUTES

See Confidential Minute Book.

RESOLVED that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it was advisable in the public interest, that the public and press be excluded and they were instructed to withdraw.

The meeting closed at 7.35 p.m.

Councillor J D Leigh
Chairman