

APPLEBY-IN-WESTMORLAND TOWN COUNCIL

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A MEETING OF THE FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE WAS HELD IN THE MOOT HALL ON MONDAY SEPTEMBER 4 2006 AT 6.49 pm

Present :	Chairman	I Potts
	Councillors	AK Morgan
		Mrs E Langan
		J Pape
		PR Elliott
		S Rooke
		Mrs C Patterson
		KJ Budding
		Mrs M Clowes
		CK Duncan
Apologies :	Vice Chairman	A Connell
	Councillor	F Harland

F1/9/06 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received by the Chairman and accepted by the Committee.

F2/9/06 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- Councillor Mrs Langan declared a personal interest in item 5d on the agenda (grant request from Hospice at Home)
- Councillor K Morgan declared a personal interest that was prejudicial in item 6 on the agenda (request for contribution to his costs for attendance at the National Association of Local Council's Conference.)

F3/9/06 FINANCIAL REPORT

Members considered Councillor Budding's financial report.

- RESOLVED** that Council be recommended to install two further burglar alarms in the Moot Hall.
- RESOLVED** that
 - Councillor J Pape be nominated to be a member of the Tourist Information Working Group, and
 - Councillor I Potts call a meeting of the TIC working group to consider the possible provision of a further telephone line for the Moot Hall. The TIC Manager to be invited to attend the working group meeting, and the working group to report back to this Committee,
- RESOLVED** that the shop vacant shop premises be re-advertised by posting notices in the window of the shop and by a notice in the Parish Newsletter.
- RESOLVED** that an item be placed on the Council agenda for consideration of the requirement for a full valuation of the Council's properties.

F4/9/06 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT AND COUNCILLORS' QUESTIONS

The Mayor advised Members that the following Councillors would be the keyholders for the Moot Hall for the purposes of an alarm call-out: Councillors S Rooke, K Morgan and F Harland.

RESOLVED that Council be recommended to authorise the purchase of one new set of keys.

F5/9/06 GRANT APPLICATIONS

a. **RESOLVED** that the following grant applications be recommended for approval by the Trustees of the Hannah Kennington Charity:

- i. Pippins - £250
- ii. Hospice at Home Carlisle and North Lakeland - £250
- iii. Appleby Chamber of Trade (advertisement of events to publicise Appleby) - £250 (to be recommended for release once suitable costings for the advertisement have been approved.)

b. **RESOLVED** that the following grant applications be recommended for approval by the Trustees of the Dorothy Chapman Trust:

- i. Murton, Hilton and Appleby First Responders - £200
- ii. Eden Community Outdoors - £100
- iii. 1st Appleby Guides - £100

The appointed trustees for the Dorothy Chapman funds met and agreed the Committee's recommendations.

Councillor K Morgan withdrew from the meeting at 8.43pm during consideration of the following item of business.

F6/9/06 CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS CLLR MORGAN'S ATTENDANCE AT NALC CONFERENCE

a. Members considered the level, if any, of contribution to Councillor Morgan's attendance at the NALC conference in Liverpool. The Council had already been billed and had paid the account.

Motion by Councillor Budding
Seconded by Councillor Mrs Patterson

and **RESOLVED** that Council be recommended to request that Councillor Morgan pay £150 into Council funds towards the costs of attending the conference.

b. **RESOLVED** that the issue of Member representation at national events be placed on a future agenda for consideration of the protocol to be used.

Councillor Morgan rejoined the meeting.

F7/9/06 CODE OF CONDUCT TRAINING

Members noted that training on the Parish Code of Conduct would be held on Wednesday 6 September 2006 in the Supper Rooms, Public Hall at 7pm.

F8/9/06 CORRESPONDENCE for information/recommendation to Council

a. Members noted the invitation to the Voluntary Action Cumbria Annual Meeting to be held on 8 September.

b. Members considered a letter from the Appleby-in-Westmorland Society, passed to the Chairman from Councillor Connell, offering the services of an expert from the County Archive office to review the value of the artefacts contained in the Moot Hall attic.

Motion by Councillor Morgan
Seconded by Councillor Elliott, and

RESOLVED that Council be recommended to accept the offer of assistance from the Appleby-in-Westmorland Society.

c. Councillor Mrs Patterson reported that she would be advertising the public meeting to assess the

support for retaining the cemetery chapel. Councillor Rooke undertook to pay for an advertisement in the Cumberland and Westmorland Herald.

d. Councillor Mrs Clowes circulated a summarised version of the report to be considered at the meeting of the Eden District Council Community and Economy Committee regarding the possible closure of the Shire Hall public toilets.

F9/9/06 NEXT MEETING

Members noted that the next ordinary meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee would be held on Monday October 2 at 7.45pm in the Moot Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.05pm