



Lilleshall & Donnington Parish Council

Minutes of Finance Committee Held at Turreff Hall on Monday 27th June 2005

Present: Councillors A Baker, Mrs E A Clare, C Mason, P Norton, M Skelton, J Thompson.

1. Election of Chair

Nominations were requested for Chair of the Finance Committee. Councillor Mrs E A Clare was the only person nominated.

Resolved – that Mrs E A Clare be Chair of Finance Committee for this Parish Council.

2. Election of Vice-Chair

Nominations were requested for Vice-Chair of the Finance Committee. Councillor C Mason was the only person nominated.

Resolved – that C Mason be Vice-Chair of the Finance Committee for this Parish Council.

3. Apologies: Councillors Mrs R Gregory (Holiday), Ms C Mason (Work), R Pitt (Work) and Mrs V Verster (Visiting Relatives).

Resolved – that the apologies be accepted.

4. Declaration of Interest: P Norton – Donnington Partnership grant application.

5. Grant Applications

Resolved - in the opinion of the Council it is in the interest of, and will bring direct benefit to, their area or any part of it, or all or some of its inhabitants that the following grants be approved under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972.

1. Donnington 1 st Rainbow, Brownies and Guides	£ 100.00*
2. Lilleshall Neighbourhood Watch	£ 50.00
3. Black History Working Group	£ 50.00**
4. Donnington Methodist Church	£ 100.00
5. Donnington Partnership	£ 480.00

Total **£780.00**

* The Clerk was asked to write to the leader of this group and explain that the Parish Council would not consider any further applications unless a proper balance sheet was provided.



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** The Clerk was asked to inform this group that this would be the only grant it would receive from the Parish Council and should the planned trip not proceed then they would be asked to return the grant awarded.

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The following grant applications were also discussed:

Wrekin Star Judo Club – The Parish Council decided not to award a grant due to the direct benefit accruing to the area or any part of it or to all or some of the inhabitants of their area would not be commensurate with the expenditure to be incurred.

West Mercia Police – Under the Local Government and Rating Act 1997 s31 the Council discussed whether or not in the long run it would be cheaper to purchase a small car for the Beat Manager over a couple of years. Whilst the Council were still willing to provide a vehicle for the Donnington Beat Manager, the Clerk was asked to enquire with Hadley Parish Council as to how it has managed to satisfy the Police Vehicle criteria and purchase its own. The Clerk was asked to report his findings back to the next Finance Committee meeting.

Lilleshall Sugar Craft Group – The Council requested that this be deferred whilst further enquiries regarding the group are made.

6. Bank Reconciliation

The Clerk presented the bank reconciliation as at 31st May 2005 to the Council for their information. **Resolved** - that the bank reconciliation be accepted as a true record.

7. Proposed Vodaphone Telecommunications Installation at Muxton

The Council discussed the proposal of sites earmarked for the installation of a Vodaphone mast in and around Muxton which had been provided by Patrick Farfan Associates Limited on behalf of Vodaphone. The Council felt that none of the proposed sites were suitable and provided a site of its own. **Resolved** - that the Clerk write to Patrick Farfan Associates Ltd with a copy of the map showing the Council's proposed alternative site.

8. Council for Voluntary Service (CVS)

The Council discussed the letter received from the CVS regarding membership and the provision of information to other organisations. **Resolved** - that whilst recognising the splendid work undertaken by this organisation the Parish Council would only affiliate to the CVS should the organisation request it.



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9. Correspondence

- a. **Guidance on 1st April 2005 Changes to the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) in England and Wales following the issue of the Draft Revocation Regulations.**

The Council discussed the above document and had no comments or observations to make at the time.

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- b. **Invitation to 60th Anniversary of the End of World War 2**

Each Councillor had received a copy of the above invite and was asked to complete the return slip if they wanted to attend.

- c. **Police and Community Consultative Group (PCCG) notice of forthcoming meeting.**

The Chair informed the Council of the next PCCG meeting should Councillors wish to attend.

- d. **Planning Application W2005/0677 19, Oakengates Road, Donnington – Erection of a porch and canopy.**

The Council had no objection to this application.

- e. **Planning Application W2005/0685 4, The Fields, Donnington – Erection of a two storey side extension.**

The Council had no objection to this application.

- f. **“Thank you” Letters**

The Chair read “thank you” letters received from the following organisations for grants awarded to them by the Parish Council.

- i. Severn Hospice
- ii. Lilleshall Cricket Club – The Clerk was asked to include the photographs and an article about the equipment purchased with the grant in the next Parish newsletter.
- iii. Lilleshall Pre-school
- iv. Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin Childminding Association.

- g. **Planning Application W2005/0714, 12, Jubilee Avenue, Donnington, Telford – Erection of 2 dwellings with attached garages.**

The Council had no objection to this application.



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h. Planning Application W2005/0702, Asda, St George's Road, Donnington, Telford – Erection of deck car park.

Whilst the Council had no objection in principle to this application and recognised the need for expansion it would like Asda to review the location of the entrance for delivery lorries as they often block the highway when negotiating the delivery entrance. The Council suggests that an alternative delivery entrance could be situated in the car park nearest St George's Road.

i. Invitation to Wrockwardine Wood Art's College Senior Choir Concert.

The Chair informed the Council that an invitation had been received to the above. Councillors wishing to attend are to inform the Clerk.

j. Oakengates Theatre Summer School

The Chair informed the Council that due to a lack of participants the Summer Theatre School would not be going ahead and that the grant awarded to them had been returned.

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k. Street Naming

The Chair informed the Council that "Lodge Court" had been proposed for the 9 dwellings at Land at Lodge Road, Donnington, Telford. The Council had no objection to this proposal.

The meeting closed at 2045hrs.

Signed:

Date:

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