



HEATH & REACH PARISH COUNCIL

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting held on Thursday 7th July at Heath Village Barn 1pm

- 1 Present: Cllrs Ellis and Inns. Clerk in attendance
- 2 Apologies for Absence. Cllrs Green, Thyer, Hawes
- 3 Declarations of Interest: None
- 4 Election of Chairman: Cllr Ellis proposed Cllr Inns. **It was resolved.**
- 5 Review of financial records for the period 1st April – 30th June: Current account balance £30,924.42, Reserve account £61,068.03. Clerk reported that there was a further £1300 to be banked in Cemetery fees, and £1103 costs for headstone repairs.

Further to review, the level of reserves at £91,162.00 was discussed. This amount includes £28,799 for traffic calming yet to be invoiced, £2,000 allocated for possible election fees, £10,310 as one third of precept to be ~~e~~ring fenced, as well as £5000 for future works/demolition of Bryant's Lane. Also with the uncertainty of political and economic state of the country, the level of local funding may decrease. There are also other possible projects pending (see below)

- 6 Review of projects: the Parish Council have recently discussed speed indication devices, possible three in total, with installation allow £10,000. Also grit bins to allow £1,000 and possible bus shelter on Bird's Hill allow £5000. The grass cutting contract is out to tender in April 2017 and this will be a significant increase in previous years. Clerk said that there will be costs in the Autumn at the cemetery associated with the leaf removals, skips, weed membrane and gravel. Cllr Inns questioned the amount, £5000, allocated for works to Bryants Lane Pavilion and asked that the Sports and Recreation committee consider the long term future of this facility and perhaps investigate costs for a replacement building as a long term facility for the children of the village. Cllr Ellis said that he had seen second hand units for sale for a reasonable sum circa £7,000

Any Other Business

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Meeting Closed at 1.30pm

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