

CROXLEY GREEN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER
ON THURSDAY 13 DECEMBER 2007 at 8.00pm

Present: Cllr Norman – In the Chair
David Allison – Clerk to the Council
Amanda Taft – Minute Taker

Cllrs Seeley, Shafe and Wynne-Jones.

Voting Members 4

In Attendance: Cllrs Bennett, Birch, Brand and Martin

One member of the public present

FA364/07 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Bains and Jefford

FA365/07 Declaration of Interests

The Chairman stated that any declarations of interest be stated during the meeting.

FA366/07 Representations from the Public

One member of the public made representations regarding the budget proposal for the continuation of the basketball classes at Rickmansworth School. These classes are open to all children aged between 9 and 17 and no charge is made to the children. It was reported to Members that the classes were of great benefit to the children that attended and that very positive feedback had been received from both the children and their parents. The Clerk confirmed that he too had received positive communications from parents which he will copy and circulate to Members together with a more detailed budget proposal which had been submitted. A member of the Council asked how many children attend the classes to which the Clerk replied that the register was available for Members to inspect. It was asked if this could be summarised and circulated with the parents' letters and the Clerk agreed.

FA367/07 Minutes

It was acknowledged that the last Finance and Administration meeting which should have taken place 8 November 2007 had to be cancelled as it was inquorate.

FA368/07 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising from the fact that the last meeting was cancelled due to being inquorate.

FA369/07 Schedule of Payments

The Chairman introduced this item and the Clerk referred Members to the schedule of payments for November 2007. Clarification was given by the Clerk regarding several cheques queried by Members, this information being taken from the invoice file. There being no further questions on the schedule of payments, the Chairman duly signed the schedule.

FA371/07 Budget 2008/09

The Clerk had previously circulated a full budget pack (version 4 dated 11 December 2007), together with supporting papers and each item was discussed in turn. The Chairman reminded Members that they would have the opportunity of scrutinising and amending the figures in detail at their respective committees

FA370/07 Web Site Development

The Chairman introduced this item and the Clerk advised Members that he has undertaken a substantial amount of research regarding this subject and he was currently in the process of progressing this research.

FA372/07 Croxley Green Community/Village Hall

The Chairman introduced this item advising that this matter had been referred to this Committee from the discussion at the last Council meeting. The Chairman continued that since that time, a budget proposal for a feasibility study for a new Community/Village Hall had been put forward as previously discussed in this meeting. This being the case the Chairman said there was not much more that could be said on the subject at this time.

One Member present however wished it to be recorded that he was against any proposal for a new Village Hall given the number of halls that currently exist within the area.

FA373/07 Closure

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.10pm.