

## IVER PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of the **POLICY FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE** was held on **WEDNESDAY 26<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2011**, commencing at 8pm at the **Committee Room**, Parish Council Offices, 63 Chequers Orchard, Iver SL0 9NJ

### MINUTES

**Present:-** Mr Wilson (chaired the meeting), Mrs Watkins, Mr Lidgate, Mrs Mowat, Mrs Vigor-Hedderly and Mr Bradford.

**In Attendance:-** Mrs Moffat (Clerk)

**41. Apologies for absence were received from:** Mrs Leech and Mr Oxley.

**42. Disclosure of interest in items on the agenda -** None.

**43. Resolved** to sign the **Minutes** of the meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> November and 15<sup>th</sup> December 2010.

**44. Clerk's Report** – Nothing to report.

#### **45. FINANCE**

(a) **Bank Statements** – **Resolved** to receive recent bank statements and the Chairman signed the reconciliations.

(b) **Budget Monitoring** – **Resolved** to monitor, review and approve figures to 19<sup>th</sup> January 2010/11. The Clerk will provide a breakdown of the budget for the Iver Rec Pavilion budget at the next meeting. (Appendix 1).

(c) **Reserves** – **Resolved** to earmark the following reserves for 2011-12:- (i) the same reserves as earmarked for 2010-11 for the new pavilion at Iver Rec as the building work will be delayed until next year as still waiting for the funding to be agreed and; (ii) money not spent in the Lighting Budget in 2010-11 to be placed in reserves for the LED street lighting trials in the future.

(d) **Grant donated** to St Margaret's Church for re-facing the clock tower – **Resolved** that the vat rebate to St Margaret's Church should be returned to the Parish Council.

#### **46. GRANTS** for consideration

(a) Richings Park Residents Association - grant of £60 for Christmas tree lights – Agreed.

**47. SECTION 137 GRANTS** – approval required under S137 of the Local Government Act -No requests received.

#### **48. SUBSCRIPTIONS**

(a) SLCC - £234 agreed

#### **49. TRAINING and ADMINISTRATION**

**Conferences** – Resolved to approve the Clerk's attendance at either the Practitioners Conference on 25/26<sup>th</sup> February, Larger Council's Conference in April or the General Conference in October (depending upon the relevance of the topics once published). The Clerk will confirm this with the Chairman once the most beneficial one is known.

#### **50. POLICY**

(a) **Youth Work** – Report from the Youth Worker noted. Sally Vigurs was congratulated on the report and the youth work that has been achieved.(Appendix 2).

(b) **To resolve to set up a Youth Management Meeting** at the next meeting of the Council.

(c) **Thorney Park** – An interest was expressed to Bucks CC. A reply has been received to explain that Bucks CC is currently reviewing the options for the future management of the Council's Country Parks and Open Spaces. Noted.

(d) **105 and 107 High Street** – **Resolved** to approve the design of the bollards in order to finalise the agreement and to pay the invoice for the legal work carried out with regards to 105 High Street.

(e) **Review of Standing Orders and Financial Regulations** – A Working Party was set up to review this. Mr Wilson and Mrs Watkins volunteered to do this and will meet at 10 am on 4<sup>th</sup> February. All councillors are invited to attend if they wish.

(f) **Resolved** the approach the Parish Council should take with regards to the Project Pinewood Inquiry - Iver Parish Council will join forces with Stop Project Pinewood and other local parish councils such as Fulmer and Denham. Iver Parish Council will provide £5000 it has already committed towards the legal fees of this group. Iver Parish Council will use the same response at the Public Inquiry as that given initially. It was also agreed that Mr Wilson will represent Iver Parish Council at the Inquiry in April.

(g) **Community Contingency Plan** – Following the county wide winter bad weather and health related experiences, Bucks CC are seeking to work with parishes and neighbourhood groups to set up a contingency plan. **It was agreed** for the Clerk to provide contacts of local volunteers and facilities in the area to assist in the event of an emergency. (Appendix 3).

(h) **Buckinghamshire Chamber of Commerce** – **Resolved** not to offer to support the Young Chamber network as not appropriate.

**51. PROJECTS**

(a) **Christmas Lights** – **Resolved** to approve **the** date of the ceremony as 26<sup>th</sup> November 2011 and to consider using the surplus Christmas lights at Iver Village Hall or anywhere else which is deemed suitable. It was agreed to ask Mrs Roberts and Mrs Leech if they would be willing to be on the Working Party

(b) **Parish Guide** – **Resolved** to set up a Working Party to organise the contents and design of the new Parish Guide to be published in May. It was agreed to ask Mrs Roberts and Mrs Riley if they would be willing to be on the Working Party.

**52. Press Release:** **Resolved** that there is no information to draw to the attention of the press.

**Agenda (Part 2) Exclusion of the press and public**

**53. Rostrevor Gardens** – **Resolved to review** the offer to purchase the land and an offer was made.

**54. Youth Work in Iver** – **Resolved** to pay two volunteers on a temporary basis to work in the evenings as required at Iver Heath Youth Club on a casual contract of employment from the grant received for youth work.

**55. Hanging Baskets** – **Resolved to offer the** contractor who provided the lowest quote to supply and maintain the Summer Hanging Baskets for 2011.

**Next meeting 6<sup>th</sup> April, 2011**

Meeting closed at 9.43 pm

**Signed .....** (Chairman)

**Date .....**