

MINUTES of the FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE held 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept, 2013.  
**PRESENT:** Cllrs R.D.Willimott (Chairman), Mrs M.Barry, P.Chambers, Mrs B.Willimott, R.Wing, Mrs J.Layton, Mrs M.Handley, J.Handley, M.Brown.  
**APOLOGIES:** The apologies of Cllrs I.Coupland, A.Limb and Mrs M.Fletcher were accepted.

**(21) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** Cllr Chambers declared a possible interest in agenda Item 6.

**(22) MINUTES:** The minutes of the meeting held 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2013 were signed as a true and correct record.

**(23) WINTER SERVICE:** It was AGREED to take up the Notts CC offer of 5 free grit/salt bags plus the purchase of as many extra bags as could be stored at the centre.

**(24) TRIBUTE TO CLLR J.D.TAYLOR:** A number of suggestions were put forward. The Clerk is to contact Mrs Taylor to see if her family has any preferences.

**(25) ACS CONSULTANT:** It was AGREED to take no immediate action for employing a planning professional to present Greasley's case at the hearings. The committee were confident in Cllr Willimott's ability to present the council's case. The structure and timing of the various sessions had been altered and, if necessary, a snap meeting of the council could be called to review tactics.

**(26) DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME:** The Chairman presented a detailed list of the Council's current projects and advised Members of progress to date. The Clerk to draft an agenda for a Muga meeting.

**(27) PARISH EVENTS:** Remembrance Service - Nov 10<sup>th</sup> St Mary's Greasley. Uniform organisations to be invited. Existing wreaths to be re-used. Light refreshments served afterwards in church hall. Christmas Event - Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> December. Entertainers to be contacted. Lights and installation to be reviewed. Travelling Theatre - offer approved in principle. Decision needed on production and date.

**(28) INSURANCE:** It was AGREED that another Long Term Agreement should be entered into with the existing broker to ensure favourable terms for the Council.

**(29) UPDATES:** University on Tour - a selection of topics had been forwarded to the University and the outcome was awaited. Path repairs - storm damage to the Beauvale recreation ground stone path had been repaired. News was still awaited on the Greenhills Road open space replacement pedestrian bridge. Play area - in addition to a quarterly professional audit and safety check weekly checks were also being carried out by Broxtowe BC. Tree works - routine maintenance had started and the tree surgeon had been asked to liaise with the Centre Manager when pollarding of the larger trees was planned.

**(30) EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC & PRESS:** The Committee RESOLVED that, under Section 100A of the Local Government Act, 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1 and 3 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

**(31) CENTRE MATTERS:** The Manager reported on the introduction of cost saving merchant services - it was hoped a direct debit facility would be ready for the start of the new financial year. A water assessment had shown a negative result and recommendations for an improved storage facility had been made. The Manager was seeking quotes from plumbers. Quotes were also being sought for the flat roof repairs. The meeting closed at 9.42pm.

Chairman