

CALNE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held in the Large Hall on Monday 28 November 2005

PRESENT: Councillor Mrs C J Bowyer - Town Mayor – **Chair**
Councillor C J Viner – Deputy Town Mayor
Councillor P R Atkinson
Councillor Mrs M J Baggs
Councillor D A Bland
Councillor Mrs E M Bland
Councillor T A Briggs
Councillor P Dolman
Councillor R Golding
Councillor Mrs L E Hammond
Councillor L F Jones
Councillor R J Stigwood
Councillor A J Trotman

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr G Simpson – Gazette & Herald

OFFICERS: Mrs A Kingdon – Town Clerk
Mrs L Wakefield – Deputy Town Clerk
Mr M Wilkins – Community Development Officer
Mrs A Cawkwell – Committee Clerk

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present.

40/05 APOLOGIES

Apologies had been received from Councillor J Ireland and Councillor Mrs C O’Gorman. Councillor Mrs O’Gorman had submitted the following statement to explain the reason for her absence “In my role as Chair of Wiltshire and Swindon Sports Partnership I am interviewing at Urchfont Manor from 4 o’clock Monday afternoon through to the evening and all day Tuesday. Interviews are being held to recruit a Chief Executive – when this position has been allocated, funds can be drawn for various projects including Beversbrook” “Due to the high number of applicants the interviewing process has been brought forward to include Monday afternoon/evening in addition to the Tuesday.”

41/05 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on 3 October 2005, having been previously circulated, were signed by the Town Mayor as a correct record.

42/05 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

43/05 MINUTES OF FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- 43.1 *Minutes of Finance Sub-Committee Meeting Re: Planning & Economic Regeneration Committee Budget*** – The Minutes of the Finance Sub-Committee meeting held on 10 October 2005 were noted.
- 43.2 *Minutes of Finance Sub-Committee Meeting Re: Amenities Committee Budget*** – The Minutes of the Finance Sub-Committee meeting held on 24 October 2005 were noted.
- 43.3 *Minutes of Finance Sub-Committee Meeting Re: Policy & Resources Committee Budget*** – The Minutes of the Finance Sub-Committee meeting held on 7 November 2005 were noted.
- 43.4 *Minutes of Finance Sub-Committee Meeting held on 21.11.05*** – The Minutes were noted.

43.4.1 CAIAC

The Community Development Officer's Report is attached to and forms part of these Minutes.

It was proposed by Councillor P R Atkinson, seconded by Councillor T A Briggs and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that

- 1) the budgeted grant of £2,000 be retained in the budget.
- 2) CAIAC continue to be given free use of the Corn Exchange for community activities up to a maximum of 5 weeks per year.
- 3) CAIAC be given free use of the Council's pop up shelters, generators, old tables & chairs & PA equipment.
- 4) Continued Officer support to the organisation subject to other Town Council duties.

43.4.2 Capital Requirements 06/07

It was agreed that this item would be discussed with the draft budget 2006/07.

44/05 DRAFT BUDGET 2006/07

Councillor P Dolman presented the Draft Budget, which is attached to and forms part of these Minutes. He expressed thanks to the Town Clerk, Deputy Town Clerk for their part in producing the budget and the members of the Finance Sub-Committee, together with Councillor Mrs Baggs who attended as Chair of Amenities due to the situation with the playgrounds. There were no questions raised concerning the budget and Councillor Dolman stated that he had no hesitation in recommending the budget as he considered it prudent and provided for the needs of residents. He confirmed that the Finance Sub-Committee would be producing a medium/long term financial plan as soon as possible.

It was proposed by Councillor P Dolman, seconded by Councillor R J Stigwood and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the Precept for 2006/07 be set at £631,000.

It was proposed by Councillor P Dolman, seconded by Councillor R J Stigwood and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the difference between the actual revenue budget requirement and the Precept, totalling £24,000, be set aside to part fund replacement children's play areas at Anchor Road and North End.

It was proposed by Councillor P Dolman, seconded by Councillor Mrs M J Baggs and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the balance of funding, totalling £11,000, for the replacement of the Anchor Road children's play area be taken from the General Reserve available at 31 March 2006.

It was proposed by Councillor P Dolman, seconded by Councillor Mrs E M Bland and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the Capital and Earmarked Reserves available at 31 March 2006, be consolidated to fund the replacement childrens' play area at North End at a total value of £35,000.

It was proposed by Councillor P Dolman, seconded by Councillor Mrs L E Hammond and

RESOLVED that the remaining consolidated Capital and Earmarked Reserves be allocated to the Planning and Economic Regeneration Committee and the Amenities Committee as follows:

PLANNING & ECONOMIC REGENERATION COMMITTEE -	£34,179
AMENITIES COMMITTEE	£9,179

The Chair thanked Councillor Dolman for his input to the Finance Sub-Committee and for his wealth of financial knowledge. The Town Mayor continued by saying that this meeting progressed very smoothly which showed how well the Finance Sub-Committee works. She stated that attending meetings can be very time consuming and thanked members and the Officers for attending such meetings.

45/05 CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

It was

RESOLVED that in view of the Confidential Nature of the business about to be transacted, concerning legal and financial matters, that the public and press be excluded and they were instructed to withdraw.

46/05 CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES

The **Confidential Minutes** of the Town Council Meeting held on Monday 3 October, having been previously circulated, were signed by the Mayor as a correct record.

The meeting closed at 7.15 pm.