

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCILS FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD IN THE METHODIST OLD CHURCH HALL AT 19.30 HOURS ON MONDAY 11 JANUARY 2010**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs. P Crawford (Chairman), J. Crowley, Mrs. B. Curry, A. Gardner, W. Gress, & D. Poole

**ALSO PRESENT:** Mrs. K Bell (Clerk)

**APOLOGIES:** Cllr. P Street

Cllr. Crawford opened the meeting and welcomed everyone present.

**1. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS:** Cllrs: Crowley & Gress as members of the East Peckham Playing Field Committee and allotment holders declared interests in the financial matters relating to both the Allotments and the Sports Hall and Playing Fields.

**2. ANNUAL REVIEW OF MEMBERS ALLOWANCES**

Following a discussion, it was:

**RESOLVED:** That members would not claim personal allowances during 2010. The matter would continue to be subject to an annual review.

**3. TO CONSIDER THE PARISH COUNCILS BUDGETARY REQUIREMENT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2010/2011**

As the Parish Council was required to notify TMBC of its precept requirement for the financial year 2010/2011 by 19 January 2010, the Clerk had prepared and circulated to members the following:

- (i) Details of expenditure for 2008/09
- (ii) Details of expenditure for the period up to 30 November 2009
- (iii) Details of anticipated expenditure for the period up to 31 March 2010.
- (iv) Suggested budgetary estimates for the financial year 2010/2011
- (v) Notes to support the suggested budgetary estimates for the financial year 2010/2011.

It was noted that under TMBC's Financial Arrangements with the Parish Council (S136 Concurrent Functions), the Parish Council would receive the following allowances:

	£
1. Village Halls/Playing Fields	6,434
2. Churchyards	
Holy Trinity	£2,662)
St Michaels	£1,915)
	4,577
3. Footway Lighting	1,540
<b>Total Financial Arrangements with TMBC</b>	<b>12,551</b>

Following a discussion the following Parish Council budgetary requirements for the financial year 2010/2011 were **APPROVED**

	£
4. Sports Hall Grant	12,000
5. Sports Hall Repair Fund	5,000
6. PWLB Loan Repayments	5,861
7. NNDR	5,000

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	£
8. Footway Lighting (additional to TMBC funding)	5,152
9. Election Expenses	0
10. Village Grass Cutting	890
11. Churchyard (additional to TMBC funding)	0
12. Administration	10,815
13. Staff Costs	16,320
14. S137 Free Resource	
Litter Clearing	£1,071)
Garden Competition	£350)
2010 Playscheme	£794)
Donations	£656)
	2,871
15. Contingency Fund	5,000
16. War Memorial	1,300
17. CCTV	1,071
18. Allotments	0
19. Garden of Remembrance (additional to TMBC funding)	358
20. Community & Police Working Group	150
21. Chairman's Allowance	165
22. Members Expenses	200
23. Training	500
24. Christmas Lighting	2,142
25. 2010/2011 Village Projects	3,500
<b>Gross Parish Council Precept</b>	<b>£78,295</b>
<b>26. Less Contribution from Reserves</b>	<b>(5,000)</b>
<b>Net Parish Council Precept</b>	<b>£73,295</b>
<b>Plus TMBC Allowance</b>	<b>£12,551</b>
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE FOR 2010/2011</b>	<b>£85,846</b>

Following a discussion, the following were **RESOLVED**:

- (i) The Parish Councils precept for 2010/2011 was fixed at £73,295
- (ii) The sum of £12,551 would be received from TMBC under the Scheme of Financial Arrangements with Parish Councils
- (iii) The total budgetary requirement for 2010/2011 was set at £85,846
- (iv) The Precept of £73,295 would be divided by the 2010/11 council tax base of 1,3345.95 (the number of Band D equivalent properties in East Peckham) and added to Council Tax bills as indicated by the amounts and ratios shown below:

Band A (6/9)	£36.30	Band B (7/9)	£42.35	Band C (8/9)	£48.40	Band D (9/9)	£54.46
Band E (11/9)	£66.56	Band F (13/9)	£78.66	Band G (15/9)	£90.76	Band H (18/9)	£108.91

**5. Matters for Future Discussion:** There were none

**6. Urgent Items:** There were none

**7. Matters for consideration in private:** There were none

**8. Date of Next Meeting:** 24 May 2010

The Clerk was thanked for her work in preparing the estimates. There being no additional business, the meeting was closed at 20.35 hours.