HARBERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting of the Finance Committee of Harberton Parish Council

7.30pm on Tuesday 5th January 2016, Harbertonford Village Hall Meeting Room

In attendance: Cllrs Broom, J. Hockings, Janes, Williams, Apologies: Cllrs Beamish, Camp Clerk: Ms C Radford

Agenda

1. Apologies - received as above

2. Report on actions from the minutes

<u>Community Benefit Fund Bank Account</u> It was reported that a Barclays Bank Account has now been opened to separate Community Benefit monies from other Parish Council accounts. Signatories are Cllr Camp, Cllr S. Hocking and the Clerk Ms Radford.

The Chair and the Clerk agreed to meet to discuss transfer of funds from the Llloyds Current Account to the Barclays Account as this will require to be done in person.

3. Receive budget report from the Clerk.

The Finance Committee received the third quarter budget report as received from the clerk. It was discussed that some expert advice on how to separate the Community Benefit Fund from the working budget would be advantageous in order to more clearly see the Parish Council actual balance more clearly.

It was noted that some expenditure budgeted for in the 2014/15 financial year would be paid in the 2015/16 financial year. The clerk commented that invoices and payments will be wrapped up at the March meeting of the Parish Council in future to prevent this occurring again.

It was agreed to write to Highways to request an invoice for the Parish Council's contribution to the Toll House Cycle Path so that the amount would not be retained in the accounts into the next financial year.

4. Consider budget for 2016/17 to prepare precept demand

The Finance Committee reviewed the 2015/16 spending to date, the proposed spend at the end of the financial year and made proposals for the 2016/17 budget.

The Finance Committee agreed to recommend to the Parish Council that the 2016/17 precept be set at $\pm 10,529.00$ which would be an increase of ± 1.87 per household per year.

5. Review applications to the Community Benefit Fund and consider grant recommendations

The Committee reviewed an application from the Harberton Parish Hall to the Community Benefit Fund to provide low energy lighting in the Parish Hall.

It was RESOLVED to recommend to the Parish Council to pay the full grant of £1,000 as requested. The Parish Council would pay the amount on receipt of invoices.

6. Confirmation of next meeting date. To be agreed at the next ordinary meeting of the Parish Council.

Meeting closed at 9.30pm