

HARBERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance Committee of Harberton Parish Council
7.30pm on Tuesday 7th July 2015, Harbertonford Village Hall Meeting Room.

In attendance: Cllr Beamish, Broom, Camp, J. Hockings, Janes, Williams
Clerk: Ms Radford

Agenda

1. Apologies

2. Approval of minutes from the last meeting.

The minutes of the meeting 07/04/15 were signed as an accurate record.

3. Report on actions from the minutes There were none.

4. Consider signatories for Community Benefit Fund bank account.

It was **RESOLVED** that all members of the Finance Committee and the Parish Clerk be signatories to the Community Benefit Fund bank account.

5. Receive budget report from the Clerk

Councillors received a report on expenditure to date. It was noted that the budget for 'Office Expenses' may have been under estimated and may need to be increased in the next year's budget.

6. Clerk's annual appraisal

It was agreed that the Clerk and Chairman arrange a one-to-one meeting for appraisal.

7. Consider Parish Council response to Hazard Community Benefit enquiry

The Clerk reported that a resident of Hazard had been in touch to suggest the Community Benefit Fund contribute retrospectively to the cost of screening the solar development. Following discussion **it was RESOLVED** that the clerk write to the resident stating that all applications submitted to the Community Benefit Fund will be considered, but it was suggested that retrospective applications would be viewed cautiously.

8. Consider applications to the Community Benefit Fund

The Finance Committee considered two applications to the Community Benefit Fund received in the third round (deadline for applications 30th June 2015).

The Chairman declared an interest in the Totnes Caring application and did not participate in discussion. The chair was handed to the Vice Chairman during discussion.

It was **RESOLVED** to make the following recommendations to the Full Council:

Project Summary	Amount Requested	Finance Committee Recommendation	Conditions or Reason for Objection
Harberton Dog Show: Purchase of 3 heavyweight gazebos to be used for village events to be used in isolation or joined together to create one large area. The application is for the full cost.	£1317.00	Offer £1317.00 with conditions	1. That the application comes from a constituted group (e.g. the Harberton Playing Field Association) or from an individual person, not from 'The Dog Show'. 2. That following the Dog Show the gazebos purchased are made available as a community asset parish wide (throughout both wards of Harberton and Harbertonford) for community events, stored in an accessible location (i.e. the Harberton Playing Field Association container). The Parish Council would require evidence that the community asset is widely advertised within the whole Parish.

			3. That if the application to the Community Benefit Fund is made by an individual, that the loaning of the community asset is managed by a community group (e.g. The Harberton Playing Field Association).
Totnes Caring: Totnes Caring in Harberton To recruit and support more volunteers for Totnes Caring in Harberton and the surrounding area to be better placed to meet the needs of the increasing number of clients in the area. The grant will be spent on publicity, venue hire, required checks on volunteers.	£900	Offer £900 with conditions	Totnes Caring are asked to keep the Parish Council informed of the dates of planned events and, on completion, asked to report to the Parish Council about project successes and challenges.

Meeting closed at 20.45