

## BARCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

### **Minutes of a Meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held at the Sports Pavilion, Barcombe on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2008 at 8.45 p.m.**

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**921. Present:** Councillors R Hepple, A J MacGillivray, N C Lear and D J Lloyd.

**922. Apologies for absence:** Received from Cllr J C Cornwell.

**923. Confirmation and Signature of the Minutes of the Last Meeting:** The minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> September 2008 were approved at the Parish Council meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2008.

**924. Declarations of Interest:** None were declared

**925. Urgent Business pursuant to Standing Order No. 16:** Expenditure and grant issues covered in Recreation Ground Committee minutes 894(i) and 897 were approved.

**926. Budget and Precept for 2009/10:** The financial summary and budget prepared by the Clerk was considered. It was agreed to accept the budget recommendations, subject to adding potential expenditure of up to £3,000 over the next 2 years to fund the Parish Action Plan, and to recommend to the next Parish Council meeting that the Precept for 2009/10 be increased by 5% to £24,350

**927. Administration:** The following accounts were approved for payment:

M Austen - £14.25 – mops and trays for pavilion

M Wilson - £134.59 – clerks expenses and administration costs.

Barcombe Landscapes - £417.13 - first part on maintenance contract

Clerks Pay: SALC has reported a 2.45% pay rise for Clerks is being implemented wef 1<sup>st</sup> April 2008, although the negotiating parties have not agreed a pay deal. It was agreed that back pay of £88.79 should be paid and the Clerks monthly payment should rise to £463.54 wef 1<sup>st</sup> December 2008.

SALC/NALC: Subscriptions for 2009/10 will be 23p and 5.14p respectively. Section 137 expenditure limit will be £6.15 per elector

**928. Correspondence:**

**Mazars** – the Clerk reported that the external auditors were happy with the Annual Return but before giving final approval had asked for full details including all minutes, tender details, invoices, grants etc of the playground refurbishment project. These, including the minutes of 10 committee or council meetings, have been sent as required.

**929. Outstanding action points:** Most issues were covered and the Clerk will update

**930. Close of Meeting:** There being no further business to discuss the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.02 p.m.

