



FINANCE COMMITTEE
Local Government Act 1972 section 101
Committee members:
Cllr Baker Chairman,
Cllr Stewart Vice Chairman,
Cllr Johnson,
Cllr Mitchell Committee Chairman
Cllr Wilson

EPWORTH TOWN COUNCIL

Cemetery Lodge
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Minutes of a Finance Committee meeting of Epworth Town Council held on **Tuesday February 28th at 7pm at Cemetery Lodge.**

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The following statements were taken as read:

Public Participation session: Residents are invited to give their views and question the Town Council on issues on this agenda or, issues for future consideration. **(Members of the public are reminded that each presentation should take no more than three minutes).**

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1. **To record** the names of members present. Cllr Mitchell Committee Chairman, Cllrs Baker, Johnson and Wilson.
2. Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Stewart.
3. **To receive** declarations of interest (*existence and nature with regard to items on the Agenda Localism Act 2011*). Cllr Mitchell personal interest in the Imperial Hall as the council representative on the Imperial Hall Committee.
4. **To receive notification of dispensations** approved by the clerk with reference to items on the agenda (*Code of Conduct and Localism 2011*). None requested.
5. **To receive** a copy of the January 2017 account sheet prior to presentation to full council. The clerk had corrected two items of VAT which were pointed out to the Committee, a corrected sheet would be presented to full council.
6. **To receive** a copy of the budget sheet to January 2017 to discuss and note items over budget for presentation to full council. Noted that insurance works to Cemetery Lodge following flooding in the kitchen were part paid for by insurance (£771.11) the remainder having been paid for from financial reserves. This was noted on the budget sheet which was also corrected to take note of the VAT adjustment.
7. **To review the grant application from “Epworth Imperial Hall”** (updated accounts information) prior to presentation to full council. Proposed by Cllr Baker seconded by Cllr Wilson and **RESOLVED** to recommend to full council a grant of £1815.60 (section 133 Local Government ACT 1972) conditional on the money being spent on improvements to the small hall (1 abstention).
8. **To review grant application from “The Isle Community Choir”** (additional letter of explanation) prior to presentation to full council. Proposed by Cllr Mitchell seconded by Cllr Baker and **RESOLVED** to recommend to full council a grant of £150.00 (Section 137 Local Government Act 1972) conditional on the money contributing to the “wish upon a star” event to be held in Epworth.
9. **To receive a discussion documentation** on the “Review of the community grant scheme”. Amendments to the document discussed for re-presentation to the next Committee meeting.
10. **To receive** an update from the clerk on other relevant financial matters. Clerk advised the committee that the new electricity contracts were a cause of concern because the paperwork which was difficult to obtain bears little resemblance to the DD payments

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on the bank statements, clerk to liaise with Black Sheep Utilities and directly with the electricity providers.

11. To discuss “items for facebook” Items to include “Grant scheme information” with a referral to the web-site and Precept information.

12. To record the closure of the meeting at 8.05pm.

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