



**Minutes of Kingsclere Parish Council Finance & Establishment Meeting,
held at 7.30pm on Monday 15th June 2015 at the Village Club**

The chairman welcomed Janet Bond from the Youth Club Trustees who had requested to speak on the subject 03/15.5 i. Janet outlined the history of the Youth Club since the former premises burnt down approximately 13 years ago. Insurance claim for the fire was met and the monies were transferred to the Youth Club bank account. The proposal for a new YC on the holding field fell apart after the 2010 election when a new government was formed and the funding promised was withdrawn. The YC then tried to join forces with the local playgroup which runs out of the Scout Hut but the playgroup were unable to secure funding. As there was no alternative, it was agreed to try the Fieldgate Centre which had previously been discounted. A feasibility study has been sourced and shows what could be achieved with four designs for an extension at the Fieldgate. The YC would have its own entrance, toilets and kitchen and become an arm of the KCA. They are looking to the PC to help with funding of £3000 to help recoup some of the costs of the Feasibility Study (£3600) and enable the trustees to arrange for plans to be drawn and submitted. The estimated cost for the project are £170,000 and the Youth Club do have most of the funds, approximately £160,000. Questions were asked by councillors about exclusive use and who would own the building. A lot of these decisions still need to be made as the project evolves.

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| F&E 03/15 | Present: Cllrs. Sawyer J (chair); Farey; Sawyer F; Price: S Thompson and L Porton – Clerks | Action |
| 03/15.1 | Apologies: Cllr R Peach | |
| 03/15.2 | Declarations of interest: Farey – member of the KCA | |
| 03/15.3 | Minutes:
i. The Minutes of the meeting on 16 th March 2015 signed off at the OM on 30 th March 2015 were reviewed. | |
| 03/15.4 | Matters arising:
None | |
| 03/15.5 | Review of Cash Flow and Budget:
The first quarters figures were discussed and showed the council to be on target compared with Budget.
i) There was a discussion about what funds could be available and whether the council could afford to contribute before FS nominated, AP seconded and the vote was agreed for the F&E Committee to recommend this to the OM. | |
| 03/15.6 | Audit arrangements for 2016:
Current arrangements with BDO have been in place for two years which has now come to an end. We can expect radical changes which may involve submitting our accounts to our district authority for auditing rather than a government appointed agency because we may be too small to require an external audit. The final review by DCLG was on 1 st April 2015 but there has been no news yet.
We will still need an internal audit and Terry Marsh, who has been our auditor for the last few years may not want to continue next year. An alternative quote has been obtained but a decision on this will need to be made in October when we know whether existing auditor would like to re bid. | |
| 03/15.7 | Date of Next Meeting:
19 th October 2015 | |

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8:30pm

Signed:.....
Chairman

Date:.....

Signed:.....
Parish Clerk

Date:.....