

Malmesbury Town Council

Minutes of the Policy & Resources Committee held in the Meeting Room, Fire Station, Gloucester Road Malmesbury on Wednesday 27th February 2008 commencing at 7pm.

Present: His Worship the Mayor, Councillor J R Lawton,
The Deputy Mayor, Councillor A C R Woodcock
Councillors: J A Bowen, Mrs C C Doody, R F Sanderson, and C M Vernon.

Apologies: Councillor Mrs A Davis.

Attendance: Councillor W G Blake.

Public Question Time

No questions were submitted

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

33. Minutes

Resolved that the minutes of the Policy & Resources Committee meeting held on the 11th December 2008, as circulated, be received and adopted.

34. Report on Level of Income and Expenditure

The Town Clerk had previously circulated a report detailing the situation as at the 19th February 2008 and answered the questions relating to specific areas of expenditure and income. It was **RESOLVED** to note the report.

35. Proposals of the Town Promotion and Tourism Committee

The Town Clerk had previously circulated details of the recent proposals made by the Town Promotion and Tourism Committee as Report No.2. Members of the committee considered the proposal to charge for use of the Market Cross and the issue of attaching a booking fee to tickets sold through the Town Council Offices, including those for performances in the Town Hall.

The committee agreed to **RECOMMEND** to the Council that the proposal to charge a five-pound fee for charities wishing to use the Market Cross be approved.

The committee also agreed to **RECOMMEND** to the Council that, in addition to the fees currently charged for the sale of tickets to major events, from the 1st April 2008 a one pound booking fee be added to any transaction for other tickets sold through the Town Council Offices, with an additional one pound fee if payment is made by credit or debit card.

36. Proposals of the Leisure and Youth Committee

The Town Clerk had previously circulated details of the recent proposals made by the Leisure and Youth Committee as Report No.3. The Town Clerk and the Chair of Leisure and Youth Committee explained the current situation concerning the play area at Newton Grove and the proposals for Reeds Farm.

The committee agreed to **RECOMMEND** to the Council that the proposal to adopt the Newnton Grove play area from North Wiltshire District Council be refused and that no further consideration be given to the subject until such time as all outstanding issues had been resolved to the satisfaction of the Town Council.

The committee agreed to **RECOMMEND** to the Council that the proposal to take over responsibility for the play area to be installed at Reeds Farm be supported subject to a suitable play area being satisfactorily installed and five thousand pounds of the project cost being set aside for future maintenance.

37. Progress of the Town Hall Project

The Town Clerk had previously circulated as Report No.3. detailed information about the progress being made with the Town Hall Project. It was **RESOLVED** to note the report and authorise Councillor J A Bowen to make enquiries about any potential grant funding from the Southern Arts and appropriate other bodies.

38 Town Council Newsletter

The Newsletter prepared by Councillor W G Blake had previously been circulated and it was **RESOLVED** that subject to alterations to some areas of text and suitable photographs being added the Town Clerk and Councillor J R Lawton would seek quotes for printing in colour and in back and white.

The meeting closed at 21.19 hrs.