

## **Malmesbury Town Council**

Minutes of the Extraordinary meeting of the Town Hall Management Committee held in the Town Hall, Malmesbury on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2009 commencing at 6pm.

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**Present:** Councillors: Mrs C C Doody, P J Goldstone, J R Lawton, and C M Vernon.

**Also present:** Councillor S Killane

**Public and Press:** No members of the press in attendance but several representatives from the Cross Hayes Pre-School were present.

### **Public Question Time**

A question was raised by the Chair of Cross Hayes Pre-School concerning the level of hire fees for use of the Town Hall. The Chair of committee indicated that the question would be answered by the item on the agenda and invited and relevant information to aid debate.

### **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

#### **21. Request to reconsider hire charges.**

The committee considered a report from the Town Clerk, previously circulated as Report No.1. The Cross Hayes Pre-School had previously outlined their financial position and the funding stream received to allow them to continue in operation. The committee RESOLVED that in future the revised hire fees will be communicated to the hirers as soon as possible after the end of the Council's financial year. It was further RESOLVED that the agreed increase in fees for 2009/10 would be implemented in two stages from 1st December and 1st April.

#### **22. Lease for Pre-School**

The committee considered a report from the Town Clerk, previously circulated as Report No.2 outlining the request from the Pre-School that they be granted a lease for use of the Old School Room in order to release grant funding. The committee considered the options available and invited comments from the representatives of the Pre-School in order to aid debate. It was RESOLVED that the Town Council would take no further action, the Pre-School being unable to meet the anticipated costs involved.

#### **23. Malmesbury Carnival**

The Town Clerk reported to the committee on the numerous events that had been held in the Town Hall by Malmesbury Carnival Committee and the damage caused. It was RESOLVED that the deposit bond would not be returned and that whilst the Carnival would be encouraged to use the Town Hall next year a higher level of bond would be required. It was also agreed that a meeting be arranged between the Chair of the Malmesbury Carnival and the Town Clerk to resolve any potential difficulties.

#### **24. Furniture for the Malting Hall**

The Chair had made extensive enquiries concerning replacement furniture for use in the Malting Hall that would be capable of easy transport, storage and be multi-functional. The Town Clerk had previously circulated details to all members of the Town Council

explaining the need for the furniture to be capable for use in training sessions, meetings and wedding ceremonies. In addition, it required to be easily stored and transported. It was resolved to RECOMMEND to the Town Council that the furniture identified by the Chair of this committee be purchased for use in the Malting Hall.

**Meeting closed at 7.05pm.**