

HERNE & BROOMFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting of Herne & Broomfield Parish Council Finance & Resources Committee held at Wootton Room, Herne Mill, on Tuesday 27th January 2015 at 7.30pm, for the purpose of transacting the following business.

Present: Cllr Harvey, Cllr Hobbs, Cllr Taylor, Cllr Day and Cllr Blatherwick.

Not present: Cllr Robert Jones, Cllr Moore

01/15	Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Robert Jones and Moore.
02/15	Declarations of Interest and dispensations requested. None
03/15	The minutes of the meeting held on 6th November 2014 were approved.
04/15	Matters Arising. The clerk reported that she had asked for an updated quote to replace the office computer and laptop. It is hoped this can be done by the end of February. This was budgeted in the current year.

Public adjournment

To allow members of the public to speak about items on the agenda.

Name and address to be given

05/15	To discuss the auditor's quarterly report. All members had received a copy and the accounts were in order. The clerk raised the issue of registering the Community Centre as a Charity and how it might impact on reclaiming the VAT. Following discussions with Kevin Funnell the clerk has contacted a VAT consultant who will come and discuss the situation. The first visit is Free of charge. Members agreed to re appoint Kevin Funnell as auditor for another year.
06/15	To discuss expenditure against budget to Dec 14 and look at reserves. All figures were looked at and the overspends were discussed and explained. An up to date list of earmarked reserves was distributed and discussed.
07/15	To discuss draft Model Finance Regulations A copy of the updated Finance Regulations had been distributed and members agreed to recommend to full council for approval.
08/15	To discuss changes to LGPS. (Local Government Pension Scheme) The clerk reported on the pension meeting that she had attended and an issue that had been raised by another parish council regarding exiting employers. If the clerk is the only employee and leaves and the new clerk does not want to go into the scheme, the employer is then classed as an exiting employer. This could mean that there is a deficit and the employer will then be asked to make up the amount. The clerk has asked for the figures and currently the parish council as the employer has a surplus. It was agreed that it would not be necessary to take any action at present.

Meeting closed 8.10pm