

**A MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE was held on WEDNESDAY, 5
JANUARY 2011 in the METHODIST CHURCH HALL at 7.30 pm.**

PRESENT: **COUNCILLOR D F PARKER** **Chairman**
 COUNCILLOR D BOWEN
 COUNCILLOR D CARR
 COUNCILLOR G SIMPSON
 COUNCILLOR MRS F THOMPSON
 COUNCILLOR P WHITFIELD

Mrs P D Greenwell **Clerk**

1. APOLOGIES

Cllr. Brian Bell
Cllr. Mrs Megan Taylor

2. APPLICATION FOR GRANT AID FROM PANDA PLAYGROUP

Panda Playgroup have requested a grant of £1,340 which is the amount of their rent for use of the WI Hall for September 2010 to August 2011. The total amount of rent for the previous year was £1,221, towards which the Parish Council made a grant of £1,200. Cllr. Parker **PROPOSED** that we continue to support the Playgroup in this way by awarding a grant of £1,340 this year.
ALL IN FAVOUR.

3. SECOND QUOTE FOR WORKS AT WI HALL, STATION ROAD

As requested, we now have a second quote for work to improve the disabled access ramp at the WI Hall, in the sum of £1,110. Cllr Parker **PROPOSED** that we award a grant of £695, being the amount of the original quotation.
ALL IN FAVOUR.

4. TO SET THE PRECEPT FOR 2011-2012

Cllr Parker **PROPOSED** that we allow for expenditure under the following heads:

Grass cutting - £6,000. This includes the £1,000 which we give annually to the Recreation Centre to help with maintenance of the field, and is an increase from £5,000 last year to allow for inflation and any additional works.

Burial ground – self financing.

Allotments – self financing.

Grants - £3,810 made up as follows:

Good Companions - £500
Yorkshire Countrywomen's Association - £250
Copmanthorpe Cricket Club - £375
Copmanthorpe Horticultural Show - £150
The Occasion Choir - £500
Copmanthorpe WI - £695
Panda Playgroup - £1,340

Clerk's salary and expenses - £6,000 as per last year.

General account - £7,350. This includes an increase of 5% over last year's figure of £7,000.

Cllr. Simpson PROPOSED that we start a special Jubilee Fund to provide for events and/or purchases to mark the Queen's Diamond Jubilee in 2012. It was RESOLVED that £3,000 be included in this year's Precept, with a further £3,000 in 2012-13, with any additional monies required to be taken from our General Reserve. ALL IN FAVOUR.

The Finance Committee therefore RECOMMENDS a Precept of £26,160

Grass cutting	£	6,000
Grants		3,810
Clerk's salary		6,000
General account		7,350
Jubilee Fund		3,000
	£	26,160

This is an increase of £1,940 on last year's Precept of £24,220 – just under 8%.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 8.20 pm.

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