

# Wickham Bishops Parish Council

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I S F MacGregor (Chairman)  
 Mrs A Mickelsen (Vice Chairman)  
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 P J Bates  
 Mrs R Johnson  
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<b>MINUTES</b>	
<b>Of Finance Committee Meeting held on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November at 10.00 am in the Village Hall Boardroom</b>	
<b>14F/010</b>	<p><b>Those Present and Apologies for Absence</b></p> <p><b>In the chair:</b> Cllr Wardrop</p> <p><b>Present:</b> Cllrs Johnson and MacGregor; the Clerk</p> <p>Apologies for absence were accepted from Cllr Mickelsen. Cllr Wardrop was duly elected Chairman for the meeting.</p> <p>There were no members of the public present.</p>
<b>14F/011</b>	<p><b>Declaration of Interests and Compliance with the Ethical Framework</b></p> <p>There were no Declarations received.</p>
<b>14F/012</b>	<p><b>Progress Against Budget</b></p> <p>The Clerk provided a year-end estimate of expenditure by category and the reasons for over- and under-spend in each category were discussed and agreed. The overall progress against the budget was noted to be on track.</p>
<b>14F/013</b>	<p><b>Review of Planned Spending 2014-2015</b></p> <p>The status of each item was discussed and progress updated, giving a current £1,200 reduction in reserves due to planned spending and a projected £5,100 reduction in reserves once all projects are complete.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> <i>The Clerk to review projected trestle bridge spending.</i></p>
<b>14F/014</b>	<p><b>New Items for Consideration 2014-2015</b></p> <p>There were no new items for the 2014-2015 financial year.</p>
<b>14F/015</b>	<p><b>Budget 2015-2016</b></p> <p>The following were agreed for approval at a Full Council meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the 2015-2016 precept request would be £12,000</li> <li>- additional funds would be drawn from reserves to cover 2015-2016 projects</li> <li>- new projects for 2015-2016 would include:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cleaning of War Memorial</li> <li>• Information board illustrating local walks and points of interest</li> <li>• Updated local walks booklet and booklet sales</li> <li>• Replacement of Parish Council laptop</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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	<p>It was also agreed that the Amenity Fund would be available on application to local initiatives that benefit Wickham Bishops' parishioners. A budget of £1000 was suggested. Other Section 137 expenditure would continue to cover Parish Council-initiated projects.</p> <p><i><b>Action:</b> The Clerk to obtain budgetary costings for the new projects and to circulate the updated 2015-2016 projection prior to the December 2<sup>nd</sup> Full Council meeting.</i></p>
<b>14F/016</b>	<p><b>Dates of Future Meetings</b></p> <p>- Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2014 General Meeting at 7.30pm</p>
<b>14F/017</b>	<p><b>Close of Meeting 11.25am</b></p>