

**WIRKSWORTH TOWN COUNCIL – TOWN AND FINANCE COMMITTEE  
MONDAY 12 APRIL 2010**

**TF134/09 Present:** Cllr A Clamp (Chairman), Cllrs D Haspel, I Ratcliffe, C Whittall. In attendance – Cllr F Bark, Mrs J Walls (Town Clerk).

**TF135/09 Apologies:** Cllrs K Frith, A Pollock, M Ratcliffe.

**TF136/09 Members' Interests in Agenda Items:**

None declared.

**TF137/09 Minutes:**

The minutes of the meeting of the Town and Finance Committee dated 8 March 2010 were confirmed as a correct record.

**TF138/09 Monthly Balance Sheet & Bank Reconciliation:**

The monthly balance sheet and bank reconciliation was circulated for information.

**RECOMM:** That this be noted.

**TF139/09 Monthly Budget Balance:**

The monthly budget balance was circulated for information.

**RECOMM:** That this be noted.

**TF140/09 Planning & Environment Recommendations to Full Council:**

The Planning & Environment Committee had recommended that the Town Council replaces the old bus shelter at Oat Hill, with a modern cantilever design. DCC would meet 50% of the costs, and it was expected that the Town Council's contribution would not exceed £2625.

**RECOMM:** That the Town Council replaces the bus shelter at Oat Hill, subject to DCC meeting half the costs, and that a bus shelter review takes place.

**TF141/09 Town Hall/Memorial Hall Improvements – Update:**

It was reported that the order has now been placed for the staging, lighting and curtaining, and removal of the stage and associated electrical work is in hand. A meeting had been arranged for the following week, to explain the proposed improvements to local user groups. Although reductions had been made to the original lighting specification because of the cost implications, it was now felt that the sixth lighting bar could now be ordered.

**RECOMM:**

- a) That the Clerk liaises with the Project Manager with regard to the removal of the stage;
- b) That Anthony Gell School be offered the removed flooring from the stage if it cannot be reused in the Town Hall;
- c) That the purchase of the sixth lighting bar be approved.

**TF142/09 Request for Financial Assistance towards cost of electric screen for Wirksworth Film Club:**

An email had been received from the Wirksworth Film Society advising that they were shortly to replace their screen. It was hoped that the Town Council would give permission for an electric screen to be mounted on the wall at the back of the stage, which could then be available to other users. Whilst the Film Society had raised sufficient funds for the purchase of the screen, they wondered if the Town Council might be in a position to fund the installation, bearing in mind the potential benefit to the Council. It was expected that the installation costs would be in the region of £500.

**RECOMM:**

- a) That the Town Council agrees in principle to the erection of an electric screen, subject to the design integrating with the improvement proposals;
- b) That the Town Council agrees to meet the installation costs, in the region of £500;
- c) That the Town Council investigates the costs and suitability of a loop system or an infra-red system to aid hearing-impaired users.

**TF143/09 Radon Remedial Work, Memorial Hall:**

Cllrs were advised that the remedial work in the Memorial Hall cellar had now been largely completed. It was expected that this would reduce the levels of radon in the Memorial Hall to an acceptable level. Further monitors were to be installed to measure the levels.

**RECOMM:** That the information be noted.

*The meeting closed at 7.05 p.m*

.....Chairman