

**COMMUNITY & CIVIC RESOURCES COMMITTEE**  
**11 NOVEMBER 2008**

Present: Chairman: Councillor Evans  
Councillor Mrs Burton, Town Mayor

Councillors: Beinhorn                      Gagen                      Hopkins  
                  Leighton                      Nash                      Mrs Taylor  
                  Mrs Winchcombe

Officers: Simon Fisher, Deputy Town Clerk  
            Heather Bond

Members of the Public: Three

**338. MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on the 30 September 2008 having been circulated to all Members were amended at minute number 272 to read; Councillor Mrs Winchcombe asked if members were aware that Wiltshire PCT has now preferred the Green Lane site and that works had commenced *for the treatment centre* they were then confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

**339. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Councillor East.

**340. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

Councillor Mrs Burton declared an interest in minute number 352 as a member of the Devizes Guardians.

Councillor Mrs Taylor declared an interest in minute number 347 as a member of the Police Authority; she did not leave the Council Chamber.

**341. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were three members of the public present.

**342. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS PAID**

The committee received and noted the report.

**343. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT**

The committee received and noted the report.

**344. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – 200<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY EVENTS**

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Taylor, seconded by Councillor Hopkins and agreed

The committee received and noted the committee.

**345. REPORT FOR DECISION – RECRUITMENT TO POST OF ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE MANAGER**

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Taylor, seconded by Councillor Hopkins and agreed

THAT the Council agrees to recruit to the post of Administration & Finance Manager on the existing job description and terms and conditions. The Council also asked that a vote of thanks be given to Mr Anderson for his hard work and dedication.

**346. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – BUDGET; 6 MONTH OUTTURN**

Councillor Hopkins asked what the EU Grant was for; the Town Clerk replied that it was a Meeting of Citizens Grant. A payment was made to the host town and travelling expenses for other towns involved.

**347. REPORT FOR DECISION – FREE USE OF CORN EXCHANGE BASEMENT FOR THE BLUEZ AND ZUZ DISCO**

It was proposed by Councillor Leighton, seconded by Councillor Mrs Winchcombe and agreed

THAT the Council agrees to continue to allow Wiltshire Police to use the Corn Exchange Disco free of charge to host the Bluez and Zuz disco.

**348. REPORT FOR DECISION – COMMUNITY GRANT AWARDS OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2008**

It was proposed by Councillor Hopkins, seconded by Councillor Nash and agreed

THAT the Council agrees to support the recommendations as set out by the working party and outlined in the list below;

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Brief Description of application</b>	<b>Amount of grant recommended</b>
<b>St JOHN AMBULANCE</b>	To assist with funding a replacement ambulance	<b>£100</b>
<b>WILTSHIRE MUSIC</b>	Seeks up to £250 to cover	<b>£100</b>

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<b>CENTRE</b>	shortfall of income generated and cost of the Music Centre overheads	
<b>DEVIZES &amp; DISTRICT LINK</b>	To assist with costs for transporting local residents to and from hospitals, surgeries, dentists etc	<b>£300</b>
<b>RELATE MID WILTSHIRE</b>	Seeks up to £500 to provide counselling for up to two adult clients through bursary and/or two young people needing support through Talk Zone	<b>NIL</b>
<b>BATH &amp; DISTRICT SAMARITANS</b>	Not returned their application yet	<b>NIL</b>
<b>SPLITZ SUPPORT SERVICE</b>	To continue to provide services in the town; and also, when applying for larger grants from trusts they can show that they have some support towards the project	<b>£100</b>
<b>VITALISE</b>	To assist with cost of subsidising care breaks	<b>NIL</b>
<b>VICTIM SUPPORT WILTSHIRE (VSW)</b>	To help recruit, train and support volunteers working in Devizes and to reimburse their travel and phone expenses. 7 volunteers live in Devizes	<b>£100</b>
<b>SPLASH</b>	The grant will go towards engaging and support venerable young people form Devizes to attend Splash projects locally.	<b>£200</b>
<b>DEVIZES &amp; DISTRICT BLIND &amp; PARTIALLY SIGHTED CLUB</b>	To provide social outing for members who would otherwise be housebound.	<b>£100</b>
<b>WILTSHIRE FIRE &amp; RESCUE SERVICE</b>	To assist with the purchase of a horse manikin needed to train crews to ensure that a professional service is maintained for the people of Devizes and district.	<b>NIL</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY CLUB</b>	To help the cub keep operational i.e. assist with overheads	<b>£100</b>
<b>DEVIZES &amp; DISTRICT TUESDAY ELDERLY HANDICAPPED CLUB</b>	To provide social outings for members.	<b>£100</b>

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<b>THE CROWN CENTRE</b>	To maintain current service and assist with refurbishment of premises (H&S requirement).	<b>£300</b>
<b>KENNET CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU LTD</b>	To assist with funding of volunteer support services within Devizes	<b>£100</b>
<b>BATH &amp; DISTRICT BRANCH OF CRUSE BEREAVEMENT CARE</b>	To help ensure that they can continue to offer a free confidential service to Devizes people	<b>£50</b>
<b>WILTSHIRE ARCHAEOLOGICAL &amp; NATURAL HISTORY MUSUEM</b>	To continue providing a service to Devizes towns folk & to attract visitors to the town who will contribute to the economic wellbeing of the town	<b>MAJOR GRANT TO BE CONSIDERED WITH 2009/10 ESTIMATES</b>

**349. REPORT FOR DECISION – BANK; SAFE DEPOSITS OF RESERVES**

It was proposed by Councillor Nash, seconded by Councillor Hopkins and agreed

THAT this committee delegates officers' authority to transfer significant reserves from the Barclays instant access premium business accounts to Barclays treasury accounts.

**350. REPORT FOR DECISION – LIGHTING ON THE GREEN**

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Evans, seconded by Councillor Mrs Winchcombe and UNANIMOUSLY agreed

THAT the committee agrees to the installation of lighting on the Green to form a safe walking route from the school gates to the crossing on Southbroom Road.

**351. REPORT FOR DECISION – TOWN CENTRE ONE STOP TRAVEL SHOP**

The Chairman thanked Kate Freeman from Community First for attending the meeting and speaking to the Council.

Much discussion took place and it was generally agreed that the committee supported the initiative. It was proposed by Councillor Evans, seconded by Councillor Nash and agreed

THAT the committee puts forward an elected member to sit on the wider working party; the member would be Councillor Callow.

Councillor Mrs Burton left the Council Chamber.

**352. REPORT FOR DECISION – POLICY ON ITEMS WHICH CAN BE DISPLAYED ON TOW COUNCIL NOTICE BOARDS**

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Winchcombe, seconded by Councillor Hopkins and UNANIMOUSLY agreed

THAT the committee do not allow any political notices to appear on the Town Council notice boards.

Councillor Mrs Burton returned to the Council Chamber.

**353. REPORT FOR DECISION – RAILINGS ON AVON TERRACE**

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Winchcombe, seconded by Councillor Nash and UNANIMOUSLY agreed

THAT the committee decided not to part fund the repairs to the ornate railings on Avon Terrace that are the responsibility of British Waterways, however the Council was still resolute in the opinion that the works need to be carried out.

**354. REPORT FOR DECISION – BRITTOX WORKING PARTY**

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Winchcombe, seconded by Councillor Mrs Taylor and UNANIMOUSLY agreed

THAT Councillors Mrs Burton and Nash is nominated to represent the Council on the Brittox working party.

**355. REPORT FOR DECISION – AGE DEBTORS**

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Burton, seconded by Councillor Nash and UNANIMOUSLY agreed

THAT officers are requested to pursue the debts.

**356. QUESTION TIME**

Councillor Mrs Winchcombe asked if an agenda item could be brought to committee regarding the future of the Kennet and District Twinning Joint Management Committee once the Unitary Authority takes effect.

CHAIRMAN