

**REPORT OF THE FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD ON 6<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2006 AT OLD MILL HALL, GROVE**

Present: Cllr W Evans (Chairman)  
Cllr K R Clarke  
Cllr P L Hadcroft  
Cllr R E Hicks-Greene  
Cllr J Stock

In attendance Cllr D M Hadcroft

Clerk Mr G M Mundy

**1 Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs F Parnell and R Ackers.

**2 Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests in respect of items on the agenda for this meeting.**

There were no declarations of interest.

**3 Sign report of committee meeting held 4<sup>th</sup> April 2006**

It was **MOVED** the chairman and **RESOLVED** unanimously...

**“...that the report be signed as a true record of the meeting”.**

**4 Matters arising from the report of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2006**

a) Item 11 – Subscription of the Local Council Review – The clerk informed the meeting that it appeared that he had incorrectly completed the subscription form last year and apologised to the committee.

**5 Reports from representatives of the following outside bodies**

a) Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils –No meeting had been held. The next OALC meeting is the AGM to be held on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2006.

b) Grove Village Hall Management Committee – The notes from the meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2006 were noted.

c) Wantage, Grove & District Twinning Association – No report had been received.

**6 Old Mill Hall matters**

Cllr D Hadcroft informed the committee that the Old Mill Hall Management Committee held its AGM on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2006. The next meeting is scheduled for 28<sup>th</sup> June 2006.

**7 Millbrook School Car Park**

There had been no recent meeting.

**8 Correspondence from the Vale & Downland Museum**

Following discussion it was **MOVED** Cllr P Hadcroft **SECONDED** Cllr K Clarke and **RESOLVED** 4 in favour and 1 against

**“to grant the Vale & Downland Museum Trust £565 (S137) for 2006/2007.”**

Clerk The clerk is to write to the museum trust and inform them that they will be required to submit a grant application for £500 to receive last year’s money.

**9 Quotation received for a new office computer**

Following discussion it was **MOVED** Cllr R Hicks-Green **SECONDED** Cllr P Hadcroft and **RESOLVED** unanimously

Parnell/  
Clerk **“to delegate the expenditure of up to £650 to the chairman and clerk to purchase a new office computer.”**

**10 Purchase of Arc Welding Equipment**

Following discussion it was **MOVED** Cllr K Clarke **SECONDED** Cllr P Hadcroft and **RESOLVED** unanimously

Clerk **“to purchase arc welding equipment from Machine Mart at a cost not to exceed £129.19.”**

**11 Membership of the OALC**

Following discussion it was **MOVED** Cllr P Hadcroft **SECONDED** Cllr J Stock and **RESOLVED** unanimously

Clerk **“to renew membership of the OALC at an annual premium of £1249.57 (including VAT).”**

**12 Income/expenditure for year ending 31st March 2006**

Following a brief discussion, this was noted.

**13 Health and Safety Officers Report**

Purchase of clothing lockers for the maintenance staff – The clerk read out to members the justification for purchasing clothing lockers for the maintenance staff.

Following a brief discussion it was **MOVED** Cllr P Hadcroft **SECONDED** Cllr K Clarke and **RESOLVED** unanimously

Clerk **“to purchase 3 x individual lockers from Viking at a cost of £84.99 each.”**

**14 Chairman’s urgent communications**

a) The clerk informed members that the Hall Manager, with approval of the council chairman had cause to call out emergency plumbers on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2006 to clear a blocked drain. The cost of the call out was £105 (ex VAT).

b) The clerk informed members that the treasurer of the Grove Newsletter had written to the council informing them that the accounts for the newsletter were in a healthy state, and therefore did not require requesting the grant for this year. The clerk was asked to reply and inform them that the money will be part used elsewhere in the community.

Clerk

c) The clerk informed members that he had received notification of the charges made to the council from Millbrook School for 2006/2007, the charge will be £587, an increase of £17 from last year.

d) The clerk informed members that at the Annual Council meeting of the Vale of White Horse District Council, their members elected the following members to office:

Chair of Council – Cllr Julie Mayhew-Archer  
Vice-Chair of Council – Cllr Jenny Hannaby  
Leader of the Council – Cllr Jerry Patterson

**16 General Correspondence**

There were no items of general correspondence.

**17 Confidential items**

There were no confidential matters to be discussed.

The meeting closed at 8.03 pm

Confirmed 11<sup>th</sup> July 2006

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Chairman