

**Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council**  
**Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee**  
**held in the Council Chamber, Cowbridge Town Hall,**  
**on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2009 at 7.00pm.**

**Present:** Chairman – Councillor J R Harris  
Vice Chairman – Councillor L E Taylor  
Mayor – Councillor D W Morris  
Councillors G A Cox and A Thomas.

**In Attendance:**  
Town Clerk – Mr Andrew Davies.

**Item 1: Apologies for Absence**  
Councillors Mrs S M Cox, D E Magnay and Mrs S Massey.

**Item 2: Declaration of Interests.**  
None.

**Item 3: Matters arising from the Committee Meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2009.**  
No matters arising.

**Item 4: Matters arising from the Town Council Meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2009.**  
No matters arising.

**Item 5: Receipts & Payments Account/Accounts to be paid**  
Receipts and Payment Accounts for period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2008 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2009 and the statements of bank balances as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2009 were circulated to members and read.  
**Recommended** that these accounts be approved.

A list of accounts to be settled from 18<sup>th</sup> March to 7<sup>th</sup> April was circulated to members and read.

**Item 6: Sewer at the Limes Cemetery.**  
The Chairman advised the Committee that confirmation of the CASH grant has been received in writing from the Vale of Glamorgan Council. It was agreed that a letter should be sent to Mr Punter to ask how to proceed and ask if he is able to provide a timetable of the required steps to be taken.

**Item 7: Grant Aid.**  
7.1 Application received from Cowbridge (Gateway) Monday Club for financial assistance  
**Proposed** by Councillor J R Harris, seconded by Councillor L E Taylor, that a payment of £100.00 be made to the Cowbridge (Gateway) Monday Club to assist with the running of the organisation.  
**Resolved** that in pursuance of the power conferred by section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) and being of the opinion that the expenditure satisfies the requirements of that section, the Committee approves the payment of the sum of £100.00 to Cowbridge (Gateway) Monday Club.

**Item 7: Grant Aid. (Continued)**

- 7.2 Application received from Royal Welsh Agricultural Society. The society has invited Glamorgan to be the Feature County in 2009.  
**Proposed** by Councillor L E Taylor, seconded by Councillor A Thomas, that a payment of £100.00 be made to the Royal Welsh Agricultural Society Glamorgan Feature.  
**Resolved** that in pursuance of the power conferred by section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) and being of the opinion that the expenditure satisfies the requirements of that section, the Committee approves the payment of the sum of £100.00 to Royal Welsh Agricultural Society Glamorgan Feature.
- 7.3 Acknowledgement from Kidney Wales Foundation for the donation of £50.00 made by the Town Council towards the 'Walk for Life' 2009.  
**Noted.**
- 7.4 Application received from Cowbridge in Bloom for a grant towards the floral activities for the town.  
**Proposed** by Councillor J R Harris, seconded by Councillor L E Taylor, that a payment of £225.00 be made to the Cowbridge in Bloom.  
**Resolved** that in pursuance of the power conferred by section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) and being of the opinion that the expenditure satisfies the requirements of that section, the Committee approves the payment of the sum of £225.00 to Cowbridge in Bloom.

**Item 8: Seat in Old Hall Gardens.**

The Town Clerk advised members that he has received confirmation from the Vale of Glamorgan Council that the cost to replace the bench will be £292.00 and that the cost of fitting the bench will be met by the Vale of Glamorgan Council.  
**Recommended** that the purchase of the bench proceeds.

**Item 9: Correspondence.**

- 9.1 To note the non-domestic rates for the Town Hall and Limes Cemetery for 2009/10, which are £11,491.50 and £146.70 respectively.  
**Noted.**
- 9.2 Received from Welsh Local Government Association, Employers' Organisation Advisory Bulletin (Employment Relations No. 549 March 2009 update).  
**Noted.**
- 9.3 Letter received from the Vale of Glamorgan Council regarding the Roman Road, which advised that landowners adjacent to the lane are being identified that will enable growth to be cut back and allow pedestrian access.  
**Noted.**
- 9.4 Letter received from the Vale of Glamorgan Council in respect of the Cowbridge with Llanblethian Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan. The Conservation Officer, Mr Nick Lloyd would like to meet with the Town Council to brief it on the approach that the Vale Council Planning would like to take.  
Members agreed that this is a matter that all Council members should be aware of and be involved in and suggested that Mr Lloyd should be invited to meet with them before the next Town Council meeting.

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**Item 10: Matters to be discussed at the discretion of the Chairman.**

10.1 Members of the committee **recommend** that the Town Council explore the possibility of providing a prize at future Comprehensive School 'Annual Prize Giving' Ceremonies.

**Item 11: Date and Time of next Meeting.**

Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> May 2009 at 7.00pm.

Councillor J R Harris  
**Chairman.**