

AYLESFORD PARISH COUNCIL
FINANCE ADVISORY SUBCOMMITTEE
TUESDAY 22 JULY 2014 (Following ESC)

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Declarations of Interests**
- 3. Donation requests**

DEFIBRILLATOR FOR ECCLES

Residents in Eccles led by the 1st Eccles Brownies are looking to raise funds for a defibrillator for the village of Eccles. They have come to the Parish Council for help and funding for this new initiative.

Whilst researching this idea it has become apparent that a community approach for providing a defibrillator is not uncommon. Many local residents, organisations and Parish Councils have already started doing this and the most common way of providing this is through an organisation called Community Heartbeat (www.communityheartbeat.org.uk). Many different ways of providing these have been found such as old telephone boxes but the key in all is that the location needs to be central and accessible and also have access to electricity. The cost of providing this facility is £2500 with community heartbeat putting in £500 leaving £2000 to be raised. It is also possible that the location found could have a cost. In addition community heartbeat will provide training for the community.

The Council needs to determine its approach to this request as it possible that it could receive others. The following are the main options to the Council:-

- 1) Take no action and leave individual Members to decide if they wish to use their micro grants
- 2) Offer a donation of up to £500 in addition to any micro grant contribution and accept that this is its approach to future requests
- 3) Take a lead in providing and funding such an initiative here in Eccles and elsewhere across the Parish.

In considering these options the Council should remember that it is a community initiative and that this request has come from the residents of Eccles who are happy to lead on this initiative.

2. Hall Grants

Response from Tunbury Hall re grant/maintenance payment

3. Micro Grants

Cllr Mrs Gadd – Football Club request

Cllr Mrs Hurley – Eccles Pre-school request

5. Statement On Internal Control

Each year the Parish Council has a requirement to review the effectiveness of its internal controls and to agree a Statement on Internal Control. The Statement is **attached** for your consideration and approval.

6. Banking Arrangements

Clerk report progress with on-line banking arrangements and bank transfer payments.

7. 2014/15 Financial Budget Comparison

Income and Expenditure Report to 15 July 2014 – to be tabled.

8. Matters arising from P&R 1 July and Council 15 July 2014

9. Any Other Business/Correspondence