

**AYLESFORD PARISH COUNCIL
FINANCE ADVISORY SUBCOMMITTEE**

**TUESDAY 28 JANUARY 2014
Commenced 8.10pm**

MINUTES

Present: Cllrs Mrs Gadd (in the Chair), Ambrose, Elvy, Smith, Winnett

In attendance: Mr Harris, Clerk Mrs Collier, Deputy Clerk
Two Members of the Public observing

Apologies: Cllrs Balcombe, Base, Mrs Brooks, Gledhill, Homewood, Ms Hurley, Tiller, Wright

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1. Apologies - Noted.

2. Donation requests

3. Hall Grants

Blue Bell Hill Village Hall – Request for grant/microgrant for floor works - £2448. **Agreed.**
Clerk to calculate payment from remaining 2013/14 grant, balance to be equally divided between three
BBH Members microgrants. **Clerk**

4. Micro Grants

Blue Bell Hill Village Hall – See 3. above.

Eccles Over 50s Club Coach Trip – £520 **agreed** to be equally divided between two Eccles Members
microgrants. **Clerk**

5. Financial Comparison/Allocations Summary/Latest Income Report – to date.

Distributed to all Members and attached at **Appendix A** to the bound copy of these minutes.

6. Authorisation for Personal Credit Card Expenditure on behalf of Parish Council

Janet Collier, Deputy Clerk

Black sacks - £157.76
Toilet bin - £18.95
Laptop battery - £47.49
Christmas cards - £17.50

This expenditure and repayment was **agreed**. It was noted that an account has now been set up for the purchase of black sacks. The other items are all one-offs.

7. Matters arising from P&R 7 January and Council 21 January 2014

No matters arising.

8. Cemetery and Hire Fees for 2014/15

Allotments – As allotment charges are not meeting all costs incurred and charges have been frozen for the past three years, it was proposed by Cllr Mrs Gadd, seconded Cllr Winnett that charges for 2015/16 be increased from £3.50 per rod to £3.75 per rod – **agreed.**

It was proposed by Cllr Elvy, seconded Cllr Winnett that all other charges for 2014/15 be frozen at 2013/14 rates. **Agreed.**

2014/15 Cemetery and Hire Fees schedule attached at **Appendix B.**

Clerk was asked to carry out a review of charges for the future with a view to establishing a Policy for future increases in charges. **Clerk**

9. Cleaner and Gatekeeper Rates 2014/15

2013/14 Rates: Cleaner - £7.50 per hour (2 hours per week)

Gatekeeper - £5.00 per day

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Gadd, seconded Cllr Winnett, that with effect from 1 April 2014 the cleaner rate be increased to £8.00 per hour and the Gatekeeper rate to £5.50 per day. **Agreed.**

10. Any Other Business

There being no further business, meeting closed at 8.50pm.