

Minutes of the Meeting of the **FINANCE COMMITTEE** held in the Four Clocks Centre, Bishop Auckland on **TUESDAY, 24TH MAY 2011 AT 4.00 P.M.**

Present: Councillor Anderson (in the Chair) and Councillors Laurie, Lethbridge and Lesley Zair.

Also Present: Linda Goldie (Town Clerk)

FIN 135/10 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Lee and Wilson.

FIN 136/10 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

FIN 137/10 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public in attendance.

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK. The Town Clerk reported as follows:-

**FIN 138/10 DEPOSIT ACCOUNT –
BALANCE AS AT 24TH MAY 2011**

The balance of the Deposit Account as at 24th May 2011 was £96,826.70. The Chair pointed out to members that some of this balance was to be transferred into a high interest account in the near future

RECOMMENDED: That the information be noted.

**FIN 139/10 CURRENT ACCOUNT –
BALANCE AS AT 24TH MAY 2011**

The balance of the Current Account as at 24th May 2011 was £13,874.94.

RECOMMENDED: That the information be noted.

**FIN 140/10 ALLOTMENTS ACCOUNT –
BALANCE AS AT 24TH MAY 2011**

The balance of the Allotments Account as at 24th May 2011 was £13,866.25; this balance had increased due to the income of rents for the new year.

RECOMMENDED: That the information be noted.

**FIN 141/10 MAYOR'S CHARITY ACCOUNT –
BALANCE AS AT 24TH MAY 2011**

The balance of the Mayor's Charity Account as at 24th May 2011 was £4,125.29.

RECOMMENDED: That the information be noted.

FIN 142/10 AUTHORISATION OF CHEQUES – DELEGATED POWERS

In accordance with Minute TC 54/09, the Mayor and Chair of Finance had authorised payment of cheque nos. 574 - 577 from the Current Account .

RESOLVED: That the action taken be noted.

Signed: 1 - 2
Chair

FIN 143/10 CHEQUES PRESENTED FOR AUTHORISATION

Cheque nos. 578 - 584 from the Current Account and cheque no. 48 from the Allotments Account were presented for authorisation.

RECOMMENDED: That the above-mentioned cheques be authorised for payment.

FIN 144/10 DONATIONS – APPLICATIONS

**(a) The Durham Amateur Football Trust
(Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 – Section 19)**

An application for a donation had been received from the Durham Amateur Football Trust towards their promotion around the district of memorabilia and past football history including visits to local schools and exhibitions such as the Bob Hardisty Exhibition held in the Town Hall recently.

RECOMMENDED: That a donation of £250 be given to the Durham Amateur Football Trust for this purpose.

**FIN 145/10 DONATIONS/COMMUNITY FUND GRANTS –
LETTERS OF THANKS**

Letters of thanks for donations and Community Fund Grants given by the Council had been received from:

- Butterwick House Children’s Hospice
- Great North Air Ambulance
- Victim Support
- Samaritans

RECOMMENDED: That the information be noted.

FIN 146/10 MATTERS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION

There were no matters for future discussion.

Signed:
Chair