

37. End of Year Internal Audit 2007/2008. (agenda item 8)

Members considered and approved the Internal Audit Report 2007 – 2008 (Final). Members noted the issues arising and the action to be taken. The Chairman of the Finance and Administration Committee, Cllr Mrs Pat Scott re-iterated the Auditor's commendation of the previous Clerk of the Council, the present Clerk of the Council and the staff for the quality of documentation being maintained.

38. Grant Aid to Parish Councils (Concurrent Functions 2009/2010). (agenda item 9)

Member's considered projects for Concurrent Grants for 2009/2010. Any suggestions to be submitted to the Finance and Administration Committee Meeting to be held 22 September 2008.

39. Washer Drier Public Conveniences – Ash Recreation Ground. (agenda item 10)

Members considered the repair or replacement of the Wallgate Washer Drier in the gentleman's public conveniences at Ash Recreation Ground:

- a) Model RSA 25 Unit cost £1312.00+ VAT + installation costs of £1828.00 + VAT.
- b) Model FSA 25 Unit fully installed £2086.00 + VAT

and it was:

Recommended upon consideration that Quote B in the sum of £2086.00 + VAT be agreed.

40. Colour Printer Quotes. (agenda item 11)

Member's considered the purchase of a new A3 colour printer:

- a) £1536.81 + VAT
- b) £1591.01 + VAT
- c) £1571.99 + VAT

and it was:

Recommended upon consideration that comparative quotes be sought for an A4 colour printer. Cllr Mrs Pat Scott and Cllr Nigel Manning were given delegated powers by the Committee to decide on the model to be ordered.

41. Replacement of BT Telephone Lines. (agenda item 12)

Member's considered the replacement of the BT analogue lines with a digital system at a quarterly saving of £11.87 (excluding calls) and it was:

Recommended upon consideration that the costs/savings for four digital lines be investigated before proceeding with the installation.

**42. Resurfacing of Ball Courts/Tennis Court
Carrington Recreation Ground.** (agenda item 13)

Members agreed to defer this item to the meeting to be held 22 September 2008 as the requested quotes had not been received.

43. IT Support. (agenda item 14)

Members considered a letter received from the current IT support provider advising of changes to his business. Alternative IT support was considered and it was:

Recommended upon consideration that Smallworldit.com be used on a 'pay as you go' system for a trial period.

44. Correspondence. (agenda item 15)

Correspondence had been received from:

a) First Ash Vale Scout Group thanking Ash Parish Council for the donation of £463.00 from funds raised at Christmas Fantasia 2007.

b) Worplesdon Parish Council requesting a donation towards the cost of running a Flood Information Fair on 12 September 2008. The committee declined to make such a donation.

45. Next Meeting. (agenda item 16)

The date of the next meeting is Monday 22 September 2008 commencing at 7.30pm.

46. Public Bodies (admission to Meetings) Act, 1960. (agenda item 17)

To consider and if deemed necessary, pass the following resolution in accordance with the provision of Section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960:

“That the Press and Public be excluded from this meeting during the discussion of any matters arising in connection with the remaining items in the Agenda, on the grounds that by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest.”

47. Staff Matters (agenda item 18)

This item was deferred to the Council Meeting to be held on Monday 8 September 2008.

The meeting concluded at 8.52pm

Chairman _____

Date _____