

Girton Parish Council

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Minutes of the Budget Committee meeting held on Wednesday 10th December 2008 at St Vincents Close Community Centre at 7.40pm.

Present: Cllrs Hiley (Chairman), Ford-Smith, Wilson, Clift (PC Vice Chairman)
In attendance: Robert Stone (Clerk), and Mrs N Stone (RFO)

ACTION

08/09 Apologies for absence

Cllrs de Lacey, & Martin

08/10 Members' declarations of interest for items on the agenda

None.

08/11 That Standing Orders be suspended for an open session for the public

No members of the public were present.

08/12 That Standing Orders be reinstated and the Council meeting resumed

No members of the public were present.

08/13 That the Minutes of the Budget Committee meeting of 30th October 2008 be received.

Proposed Cllr Wilson, seconded Cllr Ford-Smith

Signed by Cllr Hiley as an accurate record following an amendment at the beginning of line 2 of Item 08/08. The years "2008/09" were replaced by "2006/07".

08/14 To consider the additional budget bid for Feast Week for 2009

The Chairman noted that a total budget of £2930 was requested. The aims of the event were to: provide the focus for a week of activities in Girton village; that these should be diverse as possible; to provide fund raising opportunities for local organizations; and raise funds for two charities: MAGPAS; and the East Anglian Air Ambulance. It would be free of charge to all residents.

The event had already been allocated £1000 within the GPC budget for 2009/10. However, the additional bid of £1930 would raise the precept for the next financial year. During a difficult economic period this should not be recommended without consideration by the Parish Council. Members agreed that no decision could be taken at Committee, and to refer this community issue to the full Council for consideration.

Clerk

08/15 To propose to the Parish Council a precept for the financial year 2009/2010

Proposed Cllr Hiley, seconded Cllr Ford-Smith, unanimous.

In view of Item 08/14 it was agreed to submit two figures to the Parish Council.

Option A £72,910 which represented an increase of 2.19% from 2008/09 (*no additional monies for the 2009 Feast Week*); and

Option B £74,840, an increase of 4.90% that included the additional £1,930 bid for Feast Week.

Clerk

The meeting closed at 19.55hrs.