



MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the **POLICY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE** held in the Stable Block Meeting Room, Stone House, Corve Street, Ludlow on **MONDAY 26th SEPTEMBER 2011 at 7.00PM**

PF/58 PRESENT

Chairman: Councillor Aitken

Councillors: Newbold; Parry; Pound; Smithers; Wilcox

Officers: Veronica Calderbank, Town Clerk;
Lucy Morgan, Secretary

PF/59 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Leyton-Purrier and McCormack.

PF/60 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

Following the resignation of Councillor Pope the Town Clerk requested nominations for Vice-Chairman of Policy and Finance Committee.

Councillor Parry proposed Councillor Smithers. This was seconded by Councillor Aitken. There were no other nominations.

RESOLVED (Unanimous)

That Councillor Smithers be elected Vice-Chairman of Policy and Finance Committee for 2011/12.

PF/61 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

In accordance with the terms of the Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) (England) Order 2007 issued under Section 51 of the Local Government Act 2000 Members declared interests as follows:

Personal Interests

<u>Member</u>	<u>Item</u>
V. Parry	Ludlow in Bloom Queen's Diamond Jubilee Group
J. Smithers	Ludlow in Bloom Queen's Diamond Jubilee - RBL
J. Aitken	Queen's Diamond Jubilee Group

Prejudicial Interests

No prejudicial interests were declared.

PF/62 PUBLIC OPEN SESSION (15 minutes)

There was one member of the public present.

PF/63 PUBLIC OPEN SESSION FEEDBACK

All questions posed at the previous meeting had been answered during the meeting.

PF/64 MINUTES**RESOLVED (3:0:1)**

That the minutes of the Policy and Finance Committee meeting held on 25th July 2011, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

PF/65 ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

Members considered the minutes of the Accounts Committee.

Councillor Newbold entered the meeting at 7.11pm

Members considered that following the resignation of Councillors Glaze and Pope, both members of the Accounts Committee, the membership and scope of the Committee needed to be reconsidered at the next Council meeting.

RESOLVED (unanimous)

That the membership and scope of the Accounts Committee be reconsidered at the next Council meeting.

PF/66 RESOLVED (unanimous)

That the minutes of the Accounts Committee meetings held on the 3rd August, 24th August and 14th September 2011, be received.

PF/67 STREET TRADING SUB-COMMITTEE

Councillor Parry asked when the new Street Trading Policy would be adopted by the Council. The Town Clerk stated that the policy covered many complex issues which had delayed the decision but that the matter would be considered further in October 2011 by the Street Trading Sub-Committee.

RESOLVED (unanimous)

That the minutes of the Street Trading Sub-Committee meetings held on the 18th August, 24th August and 14th September 2011, be received.

PF/68 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM SERVICES COMMITTEE

Weyman Road

RESOLVED (unanimous)

That a fully costed reported be brought to a future Council meeting with regards to installing a slide and two swings at Weyman Road, to be called the “Jubilee Play Area”.

PF/69 Wheeler Road

RESOLVED (unanimous)

That full costs be sought with regards to Veolia being employed to remove the graffiti on the skate park.

PF/70 QUEEN’S DIAMOND JUBILEE

The Mayor informed the Committee that the next meeting of the Queen’s Diamond Jubilee Group would be held tomorrow and that following this meeting he would have more information to present to the Council. He added that he wished to make the celebrations as inclusive as possible though concerns had been raised by the fire brigade with regards to holding the fireworks display at Gallows Bank Millennium Green rather than on Whitcliffe Common.

RESOLVED (unanimous)

That the Town Clerk write to the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Group requesting a programme of all events that would take place within the town.

PF/71 QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE MARKET

The Town Clerk advised the Committee that she had attended the last Ludlow Market Traders meeting where it was proposed that an extra market be held on the Tuesday of the Jubilee bank holiday weekend. The Market would be run by the Market Traders and rented for the whole market fee of £400 therefore no staff costs would be incurred as rent would not need to be collected on the day.

RESOLVED (unanimous)

That the whole market be rented to the Ludlow Market Traders on Tuesday 5th June 2011 for a Jubilee market barring any clash with other Jubilee Events.

PF/72 BANK MANDATE

That Town Clerk informed the Committee that the Mandate had not yet been received from the bank and she asked that the matter be deferred to the next Policy and Finance Committee.

PF/73 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC: PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

The Chairman moved that the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item(s) of business pursuant to section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

RESOLVED (unanimous)

That the public be excluded and the meeting continue in closed session.

The meeting closed at 7.30pm.

Chairman

Date

N.B. Confidential Minutes will be issued.