

Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee
of Saddleworth Parish Council held at
The Civic Hall, Lee Street, Uppermill on **Monday 22nd March 2010**

There were present

Cllr. Mr K. Begley - Chairman
Cllr. Mrs. A. McInnes – Vice Chairman

Cllrs.	Mrs. B.A. Beeley	Mr. K Hulme
	Mr. R. Birse	Mr. B. Lord
	Mr. M. Buckley	Mrs. P. Lord
	Mr. B. Cullen	Mrs. D.M Shaw
	Mr. J. Hudson	

- 930. Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs. Dr. D. Atherton, Mr. P.W. Bagley, Mrs. M. Bingley, Mr. P.H. Davenport, Mr. R.G. Franklin, Mr. A. Hodgkiss, Mr. D. Heffernan, Mrs. A.C. Parry & Mr. P. Renold
- 931. Declarations of Interest – None**
- 932. Provision of Information to the Public –** David Wadsworth from Cornerstone Design & Marketing gave a presentation on the proposed web-site, it was agreed that Cornerstone will be commissioned to design the web-site.
- 933. Dovestone –** Roy Taylor from RSPB gave members an up-date on the initial consultation, two public meetings will be held in the Civic Hall in late April.
- 934. Peak Park –** a meeting had been held earlier in the day involving the Peak Park, RSPB, Oldham Council and the Parish Council to look at improved working together. Oldham Council is currently consulting on the proposed Tourism budget for 2010 – 2011, any comments should be passed to the Clerk or directly to Imogen Fuller at Oldham Council.
- 935. Community Toilet Scheme –** The Pilot Community Toilet Scheme will start on Monday 29th March and initially include seven premises across Saddleworth. A request has been submitted to the District Partnership to provide additional funding to extend the pilot.
- 936. Tourist bus –** the service will operate on Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holiday Monday from 19th June to 26th September. Funding has been secured from Peak Park, Pennine Prospects, RSPB and the Saddleworth & Lees District Partnership. A supervised Park and Ride facility will be provided at Saddleworth Rangers during the bus operating times. Members thanked Councillor Franklin for all his work in setting up the service.
- 937. Civic Hall Modernisation Phase 2 –** Tenders have now been issued.

- 938. Oldham Council LDF – Review Statement of Community Involvement** – the Planning Policy sub-committee will draft a response to the document. It was agreed that the sub-committee will approach Oldham Council to discuss which of their suggestions will be incorporated in the Core Strategy document.
- 939. Parish Plan** – a number of the actions are being progressed.
- 940. Rights of Way** – a database is being created to record details of problems, this information will then be passed to the Oldham Council Rights of Way Officer. He will also be asked to investigate the possibility of removing the Temporary Closure of part of the Delph Donkey path until the building works start.
- 941. South Pennine Forum** – nothing to report
- 942. Transport** – nothing to report
- 943. Fuel Poverty** – the next meeting will be on 31st March.
- 944. Pennine Prospects** – the application process has been improved for all grant applications.
- 945. District Partnership** – the next meeting will be on 28th March.
- 946. Water Power** – the project is progressing.
- 947. Saddleworth & Lees Information Network** – nothing to report
- 948. Accounts for Payment** - The list of Accounts for Payment was approved by the Committee. The total expenditure being £10,039.02 and income being £1,715.00 There were no payments made in accordance with Section 137 and 139 of the Local Government
- 949. Exclusion of Press and Public** – members voted for the exclusion of the Press and Public from the meeting for the following item.
- 950. Staff salaries 2010 – 2011** – members considered a report from the Clerk on the staff salaries for 2010 – 2011, the proposed salaries were approved.