

Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee  
of Saddleworth Parish Council held at  
The Civic Hall, Lee Street, Uppermill on **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2010**

There were present

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

Cllrs.	Dr. D. Atherton	Mr. D. Heffernan,
	Mrs. B.A. Beeley	Mr. J. Hudson
	Mrs. M. Bingley	Mr. K Hulme
	Mr. R. Birse	Mr. B. Lord
	Mr. M. Buckley	Mrs. P. Lord
	Mr. B. Cullen	Mrs. A.C. Parry
	Mr. P.H. Davenport	Mrs. D.M Shaw
	Mr. R.G. Franklin	

Members paid tribute to Mr. Brian Mather, a former Saddleworth ward councillor and Mayor of Oldham, who died recently.

- 951. Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs. Mr. P.W. Bagley & Mr. A. Hodgkiss.
- 952. Declarations of Interest** – None
- 953. Provision of Information to the Public** – The web-site design and building is underway. David Wadsworth will be providing a preview of the site at 7 p.m. on 10<sup>th</sup> May, the site will be launched and go live at the end of the A.G.M. on 24<sup>th</sup> May. Members considered two possible new logos, they unanimously chose the second one.
- 954. Community Toilet Scheme** – There are currently seven premises in the pilot scheme, another application has been received from a pub in Uppermill, which will be inspected shortly with a view to adding it to the pilot. The District Partnership has agreed to provide some funding for the pilot.
- 955. Tourist Bus** – the service will start on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> June, the bus will be on display at the Saddleworth Show on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> June.
- 956. Civic Hall Modernisation Phase 2** – The Tenders have been returned, work is now taking place to analyse the two lowest tenders and make changes to the proposals to reduce the cost.
- 957. Oldham Council LDF – Core Strategy – preferred options** – the Planning Policy sub-committee will draft a response to the document highlighting deviations from the Parish Plan.
- 958. Parish Plan** – progress has been made on a number of the actions, the working group will meet to review the action plan.
- 959. Rights of Way** – work is progressing on the data collection,

- 960. Peak Park** – nothing to report
- 961. South Pennine Forum** – nothing to report
- 962. Transport** – sign cleaning has been carried out on the six main roads in the area. The sub-committee will be involved in the gritting review, including the provision and location of grit bins. It was suggested that Oldham Council should make greater use of contractors to assist in snow clearing. There is a need for a train to Manchester Airport or Manchester Piccadilly from Greenfield.
- 963. Fuel Poverty** – a training session will be held at the Civic Hall at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June to help identify people in Fuel Poverty, the training is aimed at people who visit vulnerable people. Invitations have been sent to the pharmacies for their delivery drivers, Community Associations, Churches Together and the Patient Participation group.
- 964. Pennine Prospects** – The Heritage Lottery bid has been successful, Leader funding is available for small and larger projects. A local food workshop was recently held at the Museum in Uppermill focusing on growing your own food and sourcing local food.
- 965. District Partnership** – a number of joint projects have been funded including the Tourist bus and Community Toilet scheme. Sub groups have been set up to look at Health issues and the facilities at Churchill Playing Fields.
- 966. Water Power** – nothing to report
- 966. Saddleworth & Lees Information Network** – nothing to report
- 967. Accounts for Payment** - The list of Accounts for Payment was approved by the Committee. The total expenditure being £30,742.43 and income being £91,394.00 There were no payments made in accordance with Section 137 and 139 of the Local Government