

Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee
of Saddleworth Parish Council held at
The Civic Hall, Lee Street, Uppermill on **Monday 28th January 2008**

There were present Cllr. Mrs. A. McInnes - Chairman
Cllr. Mr.P.Davenport – Vice Chairman

Dr. D. Atherton	Mr. D. Heffernan
Mr. P. Bagley	Mr. J. Hudson
Mrs. B Beeley	Mr. K. Hulme
Mr. K. Begley	Mr. B. Lord
Mr. R. Birse	Mrs. P. Lord
Mr M. Buckley	Mrs. A. Parry
Mr. B. Cullen	Mrs. D. Shaw
Mr. R. Franklin	

- 591 Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs. Mrs M. Bingley & Mr. A. Hodgkiss
- 592. Declarations of Interest – None**
- 593. Dog Control orders –** individual councillors will contact Oldham MBC directly.
- 594. Peak Park update –** The Council needs to progress the issue, the Clerk up-date the members of the current position at the next meeting.
- 594. Shrubs over-growing pavements –** some poor quality work has recently been carried out in Diggle, concerns have been raised with Oldham MBC who are investigating. Councillors should contact Oldham MBC when they identify any problems with over-growing shrubs. If the plants are on private land Oldham MBC write to the land owner asking them to cut them back.
- 595. Saddleworth Flag –** The White Rose Society has produced a design for a Saddleworth Flag and are requesting the support of local organisations, some organisations have supported the flag, others have raised no objection to the flag. It was agreed that the White Rose Society should be informed that there was not an unanimous view from the Parish Council.
- 596. One Extreme to the other –** The Clerk submitted a request from a Theatre group to stage a performance of “One Extreme to the other” at the Civic Hall. The project is supported by Oldham MBC, there will be no cost to the Parish Council. Members who have seen the production, said that it was excellent. It was agreed that the Clerk make the necessary arrangements for a performance at the Civic Hall.

- 597. Internal Audit arrangements** – The Clerk informed the meeting that the Council is required to review the effectiveness of its Internal Audit on an annual basis. It was agreed that the Clerk submit a report to the February meeting of this committee.
- 598. Accounts for Payment** – The list of Accounts for Payment was approved by the Committee. The total expenditure being £35,998.40 and income being £8,956.06. There were no payments made in accordance with Section 137 and 139 of the Local Government Act 1972