

Minutes of the Special Projects & Grants Sub-Committee  
held at the Civic Hall, Uppermill on  
**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2010**

There were present            Cllr. Mrs. P. Lord – Chairman  
   Cllr. Mr. R. Franklin – Vice Chairman

Cllrs: Mr. K. Begley, Mr. R. Birse, Mr. B. Cullen, Mrs. A. McInnes & Mrs. D. Shaw

- 240. Apologies for Absence** Cllrs Mr. P. Bagley, Mr. A. Hodgkiss, Mr. K. Hulme & Mr. B. Lord
- 241. Update of previous Minutes – Minute 229 Festival of Arts** – the Chairman of the Parish Council and Clerk have met with representatives of the Festival of Arts they have requested an increase in their grant to £4,500.
- 242. Christmas Trees and Illuminations** – the judging of the Illuminations was cancelled due to the weather conditions. A total of 59 trees were purchased for premises across Saddleworth.
- 243. Letters of thanks**  
Letter of thanks have been received from Winter Wonderland and Siobhan Moore, these were received and noted.
- 244. Requests for Financial Assistance**  
Diggle Blues Festival - members considered a request for assistance with the cost of the Diggle Blues Festival in June. It was agreed that a grant of £200 would be made.  
Jacob Ragan – a request for assistance with the cost of Jacob defending his title of the National Omnium Track Champion was considered by members, it was agreed to make a grant of £200. Members requested that Jacob keeps the Council informed of his progress.  
Gemma Dunbill – members considered a request for assistance with the cost of her entry at the Pony of the Year show. It agreed to make a grant of £200. *Councillor McInnes declared an interest.*  
Diggle & Uppermill Ecumenical Youth Project - a request for a contribution to the cost of a Fort Rocky residential weekend was considered by members. It was agreed to make a grant of £450. *Councillor McInnes declared an interest.*
- 245. Notice boards**  
The noticeboard has now been installed in Grotton. Councillor Beeley has identified a suitable site for a noticeboard in Lydgate. It was agreed that a noticeboard will be provided in Lydgate subject to Planning approval.