

**DURSLEY TOWN COUNCIL**

MINUTES and REPORT of the MEETING of the POLICY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE of the Council held in the **Methodist Church Rooms, Castle Street, Dursley** at 7.00 p.m. on Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> September 2014 for presentation to the Council on the 7<sup>th</sup> October 2014.

PRESENT

Chairman: Councillor C Nelmes

Councillors: S Creswick, N Grecian, M Laybourne, L. V. Patrick, A Stennett

In Attendance: Town Clerk

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence had been received and were accepted from Councillors J. A. Ball (personal), R Blackwell-Whitehead (personal), F. Firth (personal), T.G. Frankau (personal).

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Grecian declared a personal interest in Item 7 as a member of Dursley Welcomes Walkers.

3. REQUEST FOR DISPENSATIONS

There were no requests for dispensations.

4. REPRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

No representations had been received from the public.

5. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 19<sup>th</sup> August 2014 were approved and signed.

6. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman reported that the Our Place launch event would be held on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2014 and that confirmation had been received that a full cost benefit analysis would be required by Locality.

7. SMALL GRANTS

The COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS that the following small grants be paid in October 2014:

Breakheart Community Project	Provision or replacement of essential maintenance equipment	£500.00
ConnectAT	To provide activities for young people	£200.00
Churches Together in Cam, Dursley & District	Friends at Christmas Lunch	£100.00
Dursley & District Association for the Transport of the Disabled and Elderly	Minibus running costs	£500.00
Dursley & District Good	Administration costs and	£500.00

Neighbours Scheme	volunteer driver expenses	
Dursley & District Old Peoples Welfare Committee	Everyday running costs	£500.00
Dursley Out of School Club	Replacing decking area	£500.00
Dursley Welcomes Walkers	Promoting activities in Dursley	£500.00 from Towns Team grant
Friday Lunch Club	A coach outing and lunch at a golf club.	£200.00 recommendation to adopt an Equality policy
Home-Start Stroud District	Travel expenses for volunteers	£600.00
Kingshill House LTD	Urgent & essential repairs needed to repair lift.	£450.00 recommendation to seek advice from GRCC on fundraising
Vale Vision	Support the sculpture trail development. Fund publicity material for Health walks. Support the provision of "What's on"	£500.00

8. LARGE GRANTS

The COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS that the following large grants be paid in April 2015:

GL11 Community Project	Salary cost of the manager for the next three years	£2,000.00	Agreed
Dursley Festival	Costs relating to promotional material, activities, the band, facilities, equipment, first aid cover and insurance.	£1,500.00 including £500 from Towns Team grant	Subject to confirmation of accounts
Stroud District Foodbank	General running costs.	£2,000.00	Agreed
Twinberrow Foundation	Woodland management	£3,000.00	Agreed

Decisions on the following applications were deferred:

Dursley & District Community Association	General maintenance, re-decoration, insurance & running costs	Clerk requested to write to the trustees regarding progress against the agreed action plan.
Transition Cam & Dursley	Building the infrastructure in the Garden.	Clerk requested to seek more information

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.15 p.m.

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