

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES
COMMITTEE HELD ON 9th JUNE 2010 AT 9.30 a.m.
AT HARTLEY LIBRARY, ASH ROAD**

Present: Cllr L Abraham
Cllr R Coates
Cllr J Gaywood
Cllr J Minns
Cllr B Ramsay

In attendance: Mrs J Hoad (Clerk)

1. Apologies

Apologies had been received from Cllr C Alford, Cllr A Barnett, Cllr Mrs J Burns, Cllr Mrs Cole, Cllr Mrs A Oxtoby and Cllr V Sewell.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Minutes

RESOLVED: That, the minutes of the meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 19th May 2010 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

4. Parish Office Lease

The Committee considered the terms of the draft lease in respect of the Parish Office in Hartley Library and noted that the drawing referred to therein was still awaited from Kent County Council. The Committee was advised that the solicitor had yet to comment on the document. The Committee raised a number of comments in relation to the draft lease.

RESOLVED: That,

(1) the Council's solicitor be advised of the comments raised by the Finance & General Purposes Committee; and

(2) the solicitor's comments in relation to the draft lease be awaited.

5. Hartley W.I. Hall

The Committee was advised that the Council's solicitor had sent a list of enquiries to the solicitor acting on behalf of the Hartley W.I. as part of a due diligence exercise.

The Committee was advised that the solicitor acting on behalf of the W.I. would be discussing the changes to the resolution as proposed by the Council's solicitor with the Charity Commission.

It was reported that a further invoice had been raised by the solicitor acting on behalf of the Hartley W.I. and that, despite a request from Hartley Parish Council that all future invoices from the Hartley W.I.'s solicitor should be forwarded to Hartley Parish Council for payment, the invoice had been paid by the Hartley W.I.

RESOLVED: That, the report be noted.

6. DIAL North West Kent

The Committee considered a request for a donation from DIAL North West Kent. The Committee noted that the Charity provided support to disabled people to access benefits and services.

RECOMMENDED: That, the request for a donation from DIAL North West Kent be declined.

7. Date of the next meeting

To be confirmed.

The meeting closed at 10.27 a.m.

Signed:.....

Date:.....

Chairman of the Finance and General Purposes Committee