

# NEW EARSWICK PARISH COUNCIL

## Finance Committee Minutes

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2014

Present: Cllr Richard Revell (Chairman) (RR)  
Cllr Tony Baker  
(TB) Cllr Lorraine Frankland  
(LF) Cllr Carol Runciman  
(CR)  
Minute-taker: Richard Revell

FC.14.09.01 Introduction and Apologies

Members were informed of the expected visit to the meeting of a representative from St. Andrew's Church. There were no apologies.

FC.14.09.02 Declarations of Interest

CR declared an interest in item 4 (i) in respect of her position as Chair of Governors at New Earswick Primary School and took no part in the decision.

FC.14.09.03 Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes of 12<sup>th</sup> June 2014 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

FC.14.09.04 Grant Applications

(i) *New Earswick Primary School* - £4,350 was requested to install an automatic winder for the school clock. As the school clock is also a village asset the committee felt that the Council should consider making a grant to cover the full cost of the installation - £4,350 plus VAT (£870), plus the cost of the small amount of electrical work required (a new double socket).  
(ii) *St. Andrew's Church* - £2,220 was requested for the refurbishment of the Hall floor. Prior to our discussion Mr. Blanshard from St. Andrew's addressed the meeting and gave a full and interesting account of the work at

the church. The committee were impressed with both the pastoral care and the efforts being made to renovate the building. They recommend that the Council make a grant of £3,700 ( £2,220 for new flooring for the lobby, etc., plus £1,480 for restoring the Hall’s wooden floor.

FC.14.09.05 Assets Register  
 Following an explanation from SB regarding the listing of several new items purchased in the last few months the committee were agreed that no further changes were required.

FC.14.09.06 Financial Risk Assessment  
 The Council’s Financial Risk Assessment was examined in detail and no alterations were considered necessary.

FC.14.09.07 Transparency Code  
 Members were informed of the Government’s decisions regarding various aspects of the new Code following a period of consultation. It was noted that the Code, which will replace the external audit, is not due to come into force until the year 2017.

FC.14.09.08 Next Meeting  
 It was agreed that the next meeting of this committee should take place at 9.30 a.m. on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2014.

N.B.

Following the meeting RR and SB carried out an inspection of the “street furniture” assets of the Council - two bus shelters, three benches, four salt bins and a notice-board. All were found to be in a satisfactory state of repair, although some of the salt bins require minor attention.

Signed.....(Chairman).....2014.

