

# BRIDLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held on 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2008 in the Town Hall, Quay Road, Bridlington

**Present:** Councillors R Allerston, P Austin, L Chambers, M Charlesworth, S Finlay (Chairman) and A Padwick  
Councillors A Charlesworth, L Taylor and W Taylor attended as observers; plus three members of the public.  
The Clerk recorded the minutes.

**59/07 Apologies for absence:**

Councillor C Marsburg.

**60/07 Code of Conduct declarations of interest in items on the agenda:**

Councillor L Chambers declared an interest in the grant applications from the Bridlington Arts Festival and the Earth Centre. It was further noted that several members were associated with or are known to a number of the grant applicants.

**61/07 The Internal Auditor's interim audit for the period ending 30<sup>th</sup> November 2007:**

**RESOLVED:** *To receive the Internal Auditor's report for the period ending 20<sup>th</sup> November 2007.*

**62/07 The month nine budget report:**

**RESOLVED:** To vire the £500 Jubilee Fountain budget to the Civic Travel heading.

**63/07 The following grant applications were considered:**

a) Belleza in the Community Ltd – 1,000.00 towards new equipment for children's after school training.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

No grant was awarded at this time.

b) Bridlington (Area) Railway Modellers and Train Enthusiasts Society - £300.00 towards materials & tool purchase, refurbishment of a new block and purchase of notice board.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

No grant was awarded at this time.

c) Bridlington & District Branch of the Multiple Sclerosis Society - £265.00 towards cost of arranging parachute jump to raise funds.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

No grant was awarded at this time.

d) Bridlington and District Scouts - £500.00 towards costs to publish book to commemorate 100 years.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

No grant was awarded at this time.

e) Bridlington Arts Festival – 1,250.00 towards the production of leaflets, posters, programmes, distribution and marketing.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

In accordance with the power granted under section 145 of the LGA 1972 the Council offers a grant of 1,000.

f) Bridlington Blades Fencing Club - £1,500.00 towards purchase of equipment.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

No grant was awarded at this time.

g) Bridlington Deaf Society - £500.00 towards yearly rent payment and balance for facilities, equipment, outings and trips.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

No grant was awarded at this time.

h) Bridlington Dukes Park Bowling Club - £1,000.00 towards improvement of toilets and replace fascia.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

No grant was awarded at this time.

i) Bridlington in Bloom – 2,000.00 towards the continuing enhancement of the Image of Bridlington.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

In accordance with the power granted under section 144 of the LGA 1972 the Council offers a grant of £500.00.

j) Bridlington Lions Club – 1,000.00 towards the funding of bonfire & firework displays and Christmas Project 2008 in the Spa.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

In accordance with the power granted under section 145 of the LGA 1972 the Council offers a grant of £500.00.

k) Bridlington Millau Petanque Club - £250.00 towards running costs.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

No grant was awarded at this time.

l) Bridlington Women's Walking Group - £500.00 towards bus travel to and from walks.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

No grant was awarded at this time.

m) Bridwatch – 2,000.00 towards the Reach Out Centre.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

In accordance with the power granted under section 31 of the Local Government & Rating Act 1997 the Council offers a grant of £375.00.

n) British Cactus & Succulent Society - £250.00 towards funding of a screen or digital projector.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

No grant was awarded at this time.

o) East Yorkshire Citizens Advice Bureau - £1,500.00 towards providing essential advice to the people of Bridlington.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

No grant was awarded at this time.

p) Environmental & Recycling Training Hub Ltd - £500.00 – towards developing a wind based electricity generator for reducing carbon footprint.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

No grant was awarded at this time.

q) ERICA - £1,000.00 towards funding of premises, continuing promoting service, training and publications.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

No grant was awarded at this time.

r) Friends of the Elderly – 2,392.00 towards funding of a post to run and maintain current services.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

In accordance with the power granted under section 1 of the Recreational Charities Act 1958 the Council offers a grant of £375.00.

s) GHEC Mums & Tots Group - £300.00 towards the conversion of church garden into a safe play area.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

No grant was awarded at this time.

t) New Pasture Community Pre-School - £321.48 towards the provision of a hot water drink boiler.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

No grant was awarded at this time.

u) Royal Engineers Association Bridlington Branch – £250.00 – towards attendance, travelling and standard-bearer costs.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

In accordance with the power granted under section 137 of the LGA 1972 the Council offers a grant of £250.00.

v) Sewerby Cricket Club - £20,000.00 for numerous activities including construction of a second cricket ground with facilities.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

No grant was awarded at this time.

w) Sewerby Village Residents' Association - £500 towards the purchase and erection of a village noticeboard.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

No grant was awarded at this time.

**64/07 Consider the Council's administration accommodation requirements:**

The Clerk presented a further report on a vacant property in King Street, Bridlington. The report included an estimate of the refurbishment costs and an offer to lease from the vendor.

**RESOLVED:** i) To decline the offer of a lease on the vacant King Street property;

ii) To appoint Councillors P Austin, L Chambers and A Padwick as a sub-committee to investigate and advise the Committee on alternative office accommodation for the Council.

**65/07 The Council's 2008-09 Budget:****RECOMMENDATIONS:**

i) *The Council's 2008/09 Budget is set at £184,368 and is appended to these minutes.*

ii) *£184,368 is recommended as the Council's 2008/09 Precept on the principal authority.*

Signed: *Raymond Allerston*

Date: 26<sup>th</sup> February 2008

Mayor of Bridlington