

**MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE OF HILTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 29 OCTOBER 2013 IN THE VILLAGE HALL**

**Present:** Cllrs P Balicki (Chairman), G Barradell, J Perez, S Whyte, W Wilson.

**In Attendance:** 2 Parishioners

**1. To note Apologies for Absence.**

Apologies for absence were received from LGS Clerking Services

**2. Declarations of Interest**

No declarations of interest

**Parishioners Open Session**

Parishioners were invited to participate stating to which item on the agenda they wish to comment. Andy Bush complained that the agenda was only available on the website at short notice. The Chairman apologised. The agenda had been on the notice boards in time and every effort was to be made to get these on the website in good time in future..

**3. To approve the Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Meeting held on 1st October 2013.**

The minutes of the 1st October 2013 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

**4. Matters arising or carried forward from the last meeting for discussion and decision**

**4.1 Cambridgeshire County Council Minor Improvement Scheme – to receive update on the proposed crossing on Potton Road**

Ross / Project Manager from CCC contacted and he confirmed that O/Design was under way and Balfor Beatty have been contacted regarding uprating lighting scheme and would update/revert ahead of the next meeting. Suggested that Ross be contacted ahead of next full Council meeting on 4 November 2013. GB to put drawings of proposed scheme on notice boards.

**5. Preparation of budget**

Initial document showed possible increase of 6% for precept to allow budget to be maintained. Items to be clarified ahead of next meeting:

What other interest bearing/savings accounts available to Parish Councils

Check to see if the cost of elections can be amortised or have a contingency amount set aside for.

Insurance position to be checked now outside the "LGS Group".

Check position re street lighting payment + electricity cost.

**6 Preparation of Precept for FY 2014/15**

PB to report to main council on 4 November 2013 that precept not finalised but should be recommended to the full council meeting on 2 December 2013.

**7 Agree schedule of future meetings.**

Next meeting 19 November 2013 at 19:30.

Meetings agreed then for 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each quarter starting January 2014.

**8. Meeting Closed**