

7. NEW APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

FAP/04/1213 RESOLVED That:

- i) **Buglawton Community Group**
That a grant of £500 be awarded.
- ii) **Congleton Disabled Access Group – Congleton Independent Living Centre**
To be deferred to the next meeting, the Clerk to seek further clarification on the application for a grant.
- iii) **Congleton Disabled Access Group – Disability Access Audits**
To be deferred to the next meeting.
- iv) **St Peter’s Churchyard**
That a grant of £650 be approved to pay for one cut. The Clerk to write to Cheshire East Council to recoup this cost.
- v) **Congleton Museum Trust**
That a grant of £250 be approved.
- vi) **Congleton Harriers**
That a grant of £250 be approved on the proviso that if there are surplus funds being donated to charity, the Town Council has the opportunity to select which charity £250 is being donated to.

8. CONGLETON COMMUNITY PROJECTS

The committee considered a request from Congleton Community Projects to cease paying rent on the room the Town Council provides.

FAP/05/1213 RESOLVED That:

- 1. That Congleton Community Projects be provided with a room rent free.
- 2. That Community Projects be asked to move to the office at the rear of the Town Hall.

9. SEARCH AND RESCUE DOG

A letter from the National Search and Rescue Dog Association be considered by the committee.

FAP/06/1213 RESOLVED: That the request for a grant be refused.

10. LETTERS OF THANKS

The letter of thanks from the Sol Theatre School was received and noted.

11. ANNUAL RETURN, ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT AND ANNUAL ACCOUNTS 2011-12

- a. The Annual Governance statement for the year ended 31st March 2012 was presented to the committee for consideration.

FAP/07/1213 RESOLVED: That the Annual Governance Statement for the year ended 31st March 2012 be received and approved.

- b. The Annual Accounts for 2011-12 were considered by members.

FAP/08/1213 RESOLVED: That the Annual Accounts for 2011-12 be approved.

12. INSURANCE REVIEW

The Insurance Schedule for 2012-13 which sets out the insurance terms and policy schedule for the next 12 months was considered.

FAP/09/1213 RESOLVED: That the Insurance Schedule for 2012-13 be approved.

13. INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT

The Internal Audit Report 2011-12 produced by Auditing Solutions Ltd was presented to the committee. It was noted that there was one recommendation made by the Auditor which had already been actioned.

FAP/10/1213 RESOLVED: That the Internal Audit Report and accompanying recommendation be received.

14. APPOINTMENT OF EXTERNAL AUDITOR

Correspondence from the Audit Commission confirming that BDO LLP will audit the Annual Return of Congleton Town Council for 5 years from 2012-13.

FAP/11/1213 RESOLVED: That the correspondence be received and noted.

15. CHEQUE SIGNATORIES

FAP/12/1213 RESOLVED: That the addition of Councillor D Murphy as a cheque signatory be approved.

16. ASSET REGISTER

The Asset Register & Inventory which sets out all of the various assets owned by the Town Council was presented for scrutiny by the members.

FAP/13/1213 RESOLVED: That the Asset Register be received and approved.

17. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

There was no resolution to exclude the press and public.

G R Edwards
Chairman