

## **BRIXWORTH PARISH COUNCIL**

*Minutes of the Special Council meeting to consider grant applications held on Tuesday, 9 November 2010 at 7.30p.m. Brixworth Library/Community Centre, Spratton Road, Brixworth*

**Present:** Councillors: I Barratt (Chairman), C Bament, R Chattaway, R Monk, Mrs E Nunn, S Pointer, F Wiig and Mrs E Wiig

**In Attendance:** Mrs J Macken – Parish Clerk  
Mrs K Phillips – Brixworth & Scaldwell Scout Group  
Mr M Parsons – Brixworth Cricket Club  
Mr M Fletcher – Phoenix Rose Events Ltd

### **10/1202 Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr M Lacey.

### **10/1203 Declaration of Interest on Agenda Items**

Cllr E Wiig declared a personal interest – Member of another Local Authority and Member of the District Council Planning Committee

Cllr F Wiig declared a personal interest - Member of another Local Authority and Chairman of District Council Planning Committee

The Clerk declared an interest as a member of the Brixworth and Scaldwell Scout Group.

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the ‘second round’ for the consideration of the Grant Applications for the financial year. It was confirmed that there is currently £2,500 left in the budget for Community Grants.

### **10/1204 Neighbourhood Watch – Funding to Purchase Signs**

*Applicant:* Mr John Haywood

*Amount of grant sought:* £150

*Any previous grant:* £150 2010/11

*Purpose of application:* To purchase neighbourhood watch/smartwater signs for the village. To request that Parish Council’s staff erect signs on lamp posts etc.

Following a discussion it was resolved that there was no support for providing a grant for the ‘You are now entering a Smartwater/Neighbourhood Watch Area’. Concerns were raised that these additional street signs would have an affect on the street scene within the village. Therefore the application was unsuccessful.

### **10/1205 Daventry Citizens Advice Bureau – Donation towards running costs of Daventry Office**

*Applicant:* Anne Bamfield

*Amount of grant sought:* £250.00

*Any previous grant:* £250 07/08

*Purpose of application:* Towards general running costs of the Daventry Citizens Bureau.

The Daventry & District Citizens Advice Bureau (C.A.B.), an independent charity, was established in 1995 to provide free and impartial advice, guidance, support and information to the citizens of Daventry and District. During the last year 86 residents from Brixworth used its services

Following a vote, with all in favour, it was resolved to award a grant of £200.00, under the Local Government Act 1972 s142.

*The Clerk left the meeting and Cllr Monk took over the minutes.*

**10/1206 Brixworth & Scaldwell Scout Group – Funding to Purchase New Tents**

*Applicant:* Mrs Kim Phillips – Group Scout Leader

*Amount of grant sought:* £310.00

*Any previous grant:* £600 2008

*Purpose of application:* To purchase six new four person tents

Following a vote, with all in favour, it was resolved to award a grant of £310.00, under the local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 s19 Recreational Facilities.

*The Clerk returned back to the meeting.*

**10/1207 Brixworth Cricket Club – Funding towards Coaching Courses and Indoor Nets for Junior Winter Programme**

*Applicant:* Chris Timm - Chairman

*Amount of grant sought:* £1,055.00

*Any previous grants:* £350 10/11, £3,000 09/10, £1,000 08/09

*Purpose of application:* Financial Support towards the cost for Coaching Courses and Indoor Nets for Junior Winter Programme

Following a vote it was resolved to award a further grant of £350.00 for this year under the local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 s19 Recreational Facilities.

**10/1208 Phoenix Rose Events Ltd – Funding towards the Merry Tom Music Festival 2011**

*Applicant:* Mark Fletcher – Festival Chairman

*Amount of grant sought:* £2,500.00

*Any previous grants:* None

*Purpose of application:* Financial support towards the Merry Tom Music Festival to be held in 2011.

Phoenix Rose Events Ltd is a not for profit Company Limited by Guarantee, set up to develop a new festival (Merry Tom Music Festival), based at Brixworth Country Park, based on the successful format of the Spratton Folk Festival. The estimated expenditure for the festival is £55,000. The festival would attract tourism to the area and generate business for local businesses. The accounts will be made available for public inspection. There may be an opportunity to provide reduced tickets for Brixworth residents.

Following a lengthy discussion, it was resolved for the matter to be deferred to the Full Council meeting, to consider whether or not to provide an unsecured loan to the company instead of a grant. In the meantime the Clerk was asked to establish whether or not the Council could provide an unsecured loan to the company.

**10/1209 Urgent Matters for Report**

None

There was no other business discussed therefore the meeting closed at 8.15pm.