

ALSAGER TOWN COUNCIL

**FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSE COMMITTEE**

MEETING HELD IN THE ALSAGER INSTITUTE  
ON TUESDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> FEBRUARY 2011

Present: Councillor W H Stevenson (Chairman)

Councillor C V Burgess  
Councillor Mrs D Burgess  
Councillor Mrs M Camm  
Councillor W Howell  
Councillor R Tyson

Mr. T Fitton (Town Clerk)

1 member of the press

11/12 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs J Burgess and A Snape.

11/13 Minutes of the Meeting – 11<sup>th</sup> January 2011

Resolved: That, the Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance and General Purpose Committee held on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2011 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

11/14 Public Participation Period

There were no matters raised by members of the public.

11/15 Local Service Delivery

Further to Min. 11/05 dated 11<sup>th</sup> January 2011, the Chairman reported on the first meeting with Cheshire East Council held on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2011.

He reported the original list of transferred services was:

Civic Hall  
Public Conveniences  
Alsager Allotments  
Street Nameplates  
Street Furniture  
Bus Shelters  
Alsager Market  
Christmas Lights/Tree

In addition CEC were now offering the ownership/maintenance of Northolme Gardens, Coronation Gardens and 5 Play Areas in the town and the Negotiating Team had asked for the Offices currently under lease from CEC to be considered for transfer.

The Negotiating Team was meeting weekly and had held its first meeting with CEC Project Team on 4<sup>th</sup> February 2011.

The Consultant Architect had prepared his reports identifying the costs for replacement of the roof of the Civic Hall and a priority list of planned maintenance and repair work

The Consultant Accountant was to meet with CEC Accountants to assemble financial information on which to update the original report prepared in 2009 on the financial viability of the Civic Hall.

Details of the Transfer Timetable were circulated and a Press release would be considered at the Town Council meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2011.

Finally it was noted that the Negotiating Team was working towards a formal presentation and recommendations on which the Town Council could then make an expression of interest to meet CEC's May 2011 deadline

Resolved: That, the report be received and noted.

11/16 Budget Monitoring Statement to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2011

Resolved: That, the Budget Monitoring Statement of estimated income and expenditure to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2011 be received and noted.

11/17 Accounts for Authorisation

Resolved: That, the report be received, the income noted and the payments authorised. (Appendix A)

The meeting commenced at 7.35pm and concluded at 7.45pm.

Councillor W H Stevenson  
Chairman