



## Oulton Broad Parish Council

### Finance Committee Minutes

The Pavilion

5.30pm Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2025

**Present:** Councillors Benvenuto Falat (Chairman), Christine Ashdown, Brian Keller and Sandie Keller.

**Also, in attendance:** Michaela McGoun (Clerk)

**F1. Welcome:**

**F2. Announcement on Reporting:**

Councillors and members of the public will be reminded that in the interests of openness and transparency, the law permits filming, recording or other means of reporting of meetings.

**F3. To receive and consider acceptance of apologies for absence:**

No apologies received. Cllrs. Bromley and Munro did not attend.

**F4. Declarations of Interest and dispensations:**

F4.1 To receive Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary interests from councillors on items on the agenda. NONE

F4.2 To receive and consider written requests for dispensations for Disclosable Pecuniary Interests. NONE RECEIVED

F4.3 To note any dispensations previously granted.

**F5. To agree the minutes from the previous finance meeting 9<sup>th</sup> January 2025**

Proposed by Cllr. B Keller, seconded by Cllr. S Keller, all in favour.

**5.1 Matters arising**

None

**F6. Public Forum:**

An opportunity for members of the public to make comments on any matters on this agenda.

**F7. To note the balance on accounts**

OBPC General Account £5,120.01

OBPC Savings / Reserves £302,041.08

**F8. To note the bank reconciliation for January 2025:**

This was noted.

**F9. To approve the payments for February 2025**

<b>Monthly</b>			
<b>MC Cleaning</b>	<b>Office / pavilion</b>		<b>£144.00</b>
<b>Norfolk Copiers</b>	<b>Copy costs</b>		<b>£101.59</b>
<b>Daisy</b>	Phone/internet		<b>£124.64</b>
<b>ADHOC</b>			
<b>TCV</b>	Events and task day	<b>£</b>	<b>1,668.00</b>
<b>Suffolk Arb</b>	Traffic control for removal of dead tree	<b>£</b>	<b>1,320.00</b>
			<b>-£3,358.23</b>
<b>INCOME</b>			
<b>P Petty</b>	Rent		<b>£180.00</b>
<b>OBWS</b>	Rent		<b>£1,250.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>£1,430.00</b>

**F10. To discuss quotes to the Boulevard amusements**

The quotes were discussed, and it was agreed to go with the resin to the front, the tarmac repairs to the rear, and removal of the return wall and make good and leave the main wall was discussed and it was agreed to ask for a fencing quote and remove the wall.

**F11. To discuss the requests from Christmas Lane Residents**

The residents have asked for support with the road closure on the switch on evening. This was discussed, and it was agreed the Parish Council would support them with this.

The next request - would the Parish Council pay for festoon lighting. It was discussed and agreed to get them to get some quotes for the lights and request the permissions and the Parish Council would consider it when they have all the information.

The final request was for lighting on the tree on the corner, due to H & S this was unanimously objected to.

It was also raised that they must have a group bank account for us to be able to give them a grant.

**F12. To discuss a figure for signage for Slaters Pit**

Clerk to get a cost for the sign. It was agreed to spend up to £700.00 on the two signs.

**F13. To discuss Kesgrave Field**

Soil samples were discussed, and it was agreed that the Clerk will investigate soil sample companies and get a quote.

**F14. To discuss updating the standing orders for grant awards**

On reading the policy, it states it is the discretion of the Parish Council to award higher grant amounts, so there is no need to change the policy.

**Any other Business**

Cllr. Falat advised the Committee that Security had struggled the previous weekend when a single Security Guard had to deal with over 100 youths who were drunk. To have two guards on duty Friday and Saturday for 8 weeks would be £1,800.00. It was agreed for safety to increase the guards to two for the 8 weeks.

Proposed by Cllr. S Keller, seconded by Cllr. Ashdown, all in favour.

**To note the date of the next Finance and Projects Committee meeting,**  
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2025 at 5.30pm.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 18.18pm.

Singed by the Chairman ..... Date.....