



ATTLEBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL

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GENERAL PURPOSES & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting of the General Purposes & Finance Committee Held on Monday 15 September at 7.30pm in the Town Hall

Present:

	Cllr J Taylor – presiding	
Cllr N Thomas	Cllr T Crouch	Cllr G Ellis
Cllr T Perkins	Cllr T Ashby	Cllr K Pettitt
	Cllr J Blyth	
In attendance – Gina Lopes – Clerk to Attleborough Town Council		
2 x public		

26.14) Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received and accepted as below:-
Cllr R Bond – family commitment

27.14) Declarations of Interest

- a) To receive declarations of interest in agenda items – None received
- b) To receive and consider dispensations in relation to Disclosable Pecuniary Interests – None received

28.14) Public Participation

RESOLVED to suspend the meeting to allow members of the public to speak – None

29.14) Minutes of the General Purposes and Finance Committee meeting held on 18 August 2014

RESOLVED to accept the minutes of the General Purposes and Finance Committee meeting held on 18 August 2014 as a true and accurate record of the meeting and the Chairman duly signed the minutes

30.14) Renewal of gas supplier contract EON

The renewal of EON contract ending 23 December 2014 was discussed and additional correspondence from “UtilityWise” and the Energy Rewards Programme noted. On the motion of Cllr Blyth, seconded by Cllr Ashby, it was **RESOLVED** to compare dual fuel price plans with EON and contact Breckland’s “U-Switch” scheme

31.14) BT agreement

The current BT agreement was discussed and correspondence from BT noted. On the motion of Cllr Blyth, seconded by Cllr Pettitt, it was

RESOLVED to compare alternative price plans

32.14) Purchase of new computer for Tourist Information Office

The purchase of a new computer for the Tourist Information Office and the usage by the current staff was considered.

On the motion of Cllr Ellis, seconded by Cllr Blyth, it was

RESOLVED not to take any further action at this time

33.14) Accounts software

The Clerk requested that members consider the future use of accounts software in the council office and outlined the differences in the two packages for which quotes had been obtained and this was fully discussed.

On the motion of Cllr Crouch, seconded by Cllr Pettitt, it was

RESOLVED to accept and approve the quote from RBS Software Solutions and return to using this system in the council office as soon as training of staff was completed

34.14) Request for donation

a) To consider request for donation (S137) from Norfolk Accident Rescue Service – Deferred

b) Request for reduction in hire charge for Christmas Party –

RESOLVED to agree to 50% reduction in hire charge providing the room was available

35.14) Next Meeting

Monday 20 October 2014 at 8.00 p.m.

36.14) Exclusion of Press and Public

RESOLVED to exclude the press and public from the meeting under the Local Government Act 1972 (section 100 (A) (4) given the sensitive nature of the business to be discussed.

37.14) Replacement of certificate of competence

On the motion of Cllr Pettitt, seconded by Cllr Blyth, it was

REOLVED to approve the payment of £44 for the replacement of the necessary staff certificate of competence

38.14) Request for pension transfer for staff member

On the motion of Cllr Pettitt, seconded by Cllr Ashby, it was

RESOLVED to approve the pension transfer requested by Mr Briggs

Meeting closed at 8.15pm

Chairman

Date