

Date: 15 October 2007

TO: All Members of the Abingdon Area
Committee
FOR ATTENDANCE

TO: All Other Members of the Council
FOR INFORMATION

Dear Sir/Madam

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the **ABINGDON AREA COMMITTEE** to be held in the **GUILDHALL, ABINGDON** on **THURSDAY, 25TH OCTOBER, 2007** at **7.00 PM**.

Yours faithfully

Terry Stock
Chief Executive

Members are reminded of the provisions contained in Part 2 of the Local Code of Conduct, and Standing Order 34 regarding the declaration of Personal and Prejudicial Interests.

A G E N D A

A large print version of this agenda is available. In addition any background papers referred to may be inspected by prior arrangement. Contact Carole Nicholl, Head of Democratic Services, on telephone number (01235) 547631 / carole.nicholl@whitehorsedc.gov.uk.

Please note that this meeting will be held in a wheelchair accessible venue. If you would like to attend and have any special access requirements, please let the Head of Democratic Services know beforehand and she will do her very best to meet your requirements.

Open to the Public including the Press

Map and Vision

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A map showing the location of the venue for this meeting, together with a copy the Council Vision are attached.

1. **Apologies for Absence**

To receive apologies for absence.

2. **Minutes**

(Pages 6 - 12)

To adopt and sign as a correct record the Minutes of the Meeting of the Abingdon Area Committee held on 25 July 2007 (attached).

3. **Declarations of Interest**

To receive any declarations of Personal or Personal and Prejudicial Interests in respect of items on the agenda for this meeting.

Any Member with a personal interest or a personal and prejudicial interest in accordance with the provisions of the Code of Conduct, in any matter to be considered at a meeting, must declare the existence and nature of that interest as soon as the interest becomes apparent in accordance with the provisions of the Code.

When a Member declares a personal and prejudicial interest he shall also state if he has a dispensation from the Standards Committee entitling him/her to speak, or speak and vote on the matter concerned.

Where any Member has declared a personal and prejudicial interest he shall withdraw from the room while the matter is under consideration unless

- (a) His/her disability to speak, or speak and vote on the matter has been removed by a dispensation granted by the Standards Committee, or
- (b) members of the public are allowed to make representations, give evidence or answer questions about the matter by statutory right or otherwise. If that is the case, the Member can also attend the meeting for that purpose. However, the Member must immediately leave the room once he/she has finished; or when the meeting decides he/she has finished whichever is the earlier and in any event the Member must leave the room for the duration of the debate on the item in which he/she has a personal and prejudicial interest.

4. **Urgent Business and Chair's Announcements**

To receive notification of any matters, which the Chair determines, should be considered as urgent business and the special circumstances, which have made the matters urgent, and to receive any announcements from the Chair.

5. **Statements and Petitions from the Public Under Standing Order 32**

Any statements and/or petitions from the public under Standing Order 32 will be made or presented at the meeting.

6. **Questions from the Public Under Standing Order 32**

Any questions from members of the public under Standing Order 32 will be asked at the meeting.

7. **Community Grants**

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To receive and consider report 90/07 of the Strategic Director and Monitoring Officer (attached).

Introduction and Report Summary

The purpose of this report is to set out the budget position for this Committee in respect of Community Grants and to invite Members to consider and determine the grant applications received.

The contact officer for this report is Lorna Edwards, Community Strategy Officer (tel: 01235 547626), e-mail address lorna.edwards@whitehorsedc.gov.uk.

Recommendations

- (a) *that Members note that the current budget position for the Abingdon Area Committee is £23,871.63;*
- (b) *that Members consider and determine the grant applications, the agenda and the Council priority in respect of the following: -*
 - (i) *Dorchester Sailing Club, £2,000, towards the cost of building new on-shore facilities, Social Agenda, Access to Services priority.*
 - (ii) *Compass Café, £5,000, towards the cost of employing a part-time youth worker, Social Agenda, Town & Village Vitality priority,*
 - (iii) *Abingdon Concert Band, £700, towards the cost of new banners, Social Agenda, Town & Village Vitality priority*
 - (iv) *Abingdon Performance Arts Group Enterprise (APAGE), £4,000, towards the cost of producing and distributing the 2008 festival brochure, Social Agenda, Town & Village Vitality priority*
 - (v) *Abingdon Festival Music Association, £500, towards the cost of holding a*

concerto class, Social Agenda, Town & Village Vitality priority

- (c) *that Members note the update from the North East Abingdon Community Association and agree that the grant amount previously awarded by the Abingdon Area Committee is still available for the amended project as outlined in the narrative at Appendix B to this report.*

Exempt Information Under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972

None.