

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE
HELD ON 21st MAY 2003**

PRESENT

Mrs. Harrison, Messrs. Wren, Leith, Gray, Mackin and Steeples

1. APOLOGIES

None.

2. DITCH AND FOOTPATH OFF TIPPETT DRIVE

Letter from George Wimpey regarding the position of a culverted ditch. The Council said they were quite happy to have the access chamber installed but it should be made clear to Wimpey's that STC do not own the land.

3. GRANT - SHEFFORD BASKETBALL GOAL

Letter from Lisa White stating enquiring that as the Council have only claimed 59% of their grant will they be making a claim against the balance outstanding or is the remaining money to be returned to the grant fund. Clerk to check the fund account.

4. PEDESTRIAN CROSSING - BEDFORD ROAD

Letter received from Applied Quality Assurance of 25 Bedford Road, Shefford raising objections to the proposed pedestrian crossing being placed outside their premises. It was stated that the siting was outside the Council's remit but they would forward all the enclosed correspondence from AQA to County Councillor, Robin Younger.

5. ADDITIONAL LANDSCAPING – BARRATT DEVELOPMENT

Copy of letter addressed to District Councillor Brown. STC agreed that the completed development is of a poor quality and the developer should have brought the area up to a far better standard at the time and it was strongly felt that any future developers should fulfil their obligations .

6. FLOODPLAIN- TWIGDEN / WILSON CONNOLLY DEVELOPMENT

Phone call from Wilson Connolly enquiring about adoption of the play area. Clerk to ask for a map to define exactly what area is in question.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 Mr. Wren informed the Council that the Golden Jubilee accounts are nearly complete and should be ready for the next Finance & Policy Committee meeting.

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7.2 Suggestion of old Lower School being used as a museum but it was thought that the purchase price and maintenance would be too expensive.

The meeting closed at 8.45 p.m.
