

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Full Council, Yaxley Parish Council
held in the Council Chamber on 16th September 2014.**

Present:- Councillors: K Gulson– Chairman

Councillors G Bellamy, C Bolton, R Lucas, M Oliver, D Porteous, A Rees, M Richardson, D Stafford, C Thorne and J Willis.

In attendance – B Porter and H Taylor

FC85. Apologies

Apologies for absence from the meeting were received on behalf of Councillors R Butcher (personal reasons), S Howell, (personal reasons) and R Metcalfe (personal commitments).

RESOLVED

that the apologies for absence be received and accepted.

FC86. Members Declaration of interest in agenda items

No declarations of interest were given.

FC87. Public Participation

No Members of the public wished to address the meeting.

FC88. Annual Return for Financial Year ending 31st March 2014.

Further to Minute No FC74, Members received a copy of the Financial Statements for the year ending 31st March 2014 together with supporting statements (copies of which are appended in the Minute Book).

Having been advised of an amendment to page 6 to reflect the Council's contribution to the Yaxley Festival and in noting that it was the opinion of the Accountant that the Council was in a healthy position with sufficient funds in the bank, Members

RESOLVED

(a) that the Annual Return and Financial Statements be received and approved; and

(b) that the Chairman be authorised to sign the Annual Return.

FC89. Internal Auditor's Report

Consideration was given to a report from the Internal Auditor for the year ended 31st March 2014 (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book).

In discussing the recommendations arising from the report Members were advised that the status of the Eli Nightingale Charity would be investigated. Having also noted that a number of the other issues identified have already been implemented, the Council

RESOLVED

that the Internal Auditor's Report for the year ended 31st March 2014 be received and the content noted.

FC90. **Appointment of Internal Auditor**

RESOLVED

that the appointment of an alternative Internal Auditor be investigated and a report be submitted to a future meeting of the Council.

FC91. **SAGE**

With the assistance of a report by the Acting Clerk (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book) consideration was given to a proposal to replace the current SAGE Accounting system with the Omega Financial System - RBS Rialtas.

Having been advised of the background to the proposal and in noting the benefits of moving to the Rialtas package, Members

RESOLVED

that the report be received and approval be given for the purchase of the Rialtas package and the phasing out of the current SAGE system.

FC92. **Room Hire – Refund of Deposits**

RESOLVED

that the Clerk be authorised to make refund of deposits received for room hires up to the value of £250 and the deposits be approved by the Council retrospectively.

FC93. **Ride on Zero Turn Mower - Replacement**

With the aid of a report by the Acting Clerk (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book) Members were advised of the need to replace the SKAG ride on mower.

Having considered details of 3 possible replacement machines and in agreeing that every effort should be made to repair the existing SKAG over the winter months to provide a backup grasscutter, the Council

RESOLVED

- (a) that Kubota ZD326 commercial grasscutter be purchased from Chandlers Farm Equipment at a price not exceeding £10,600.00 plus VAT (including road legal lighting kit); and
- (b) that the existing SKAG remain with the Parish Council with a view to repairing it over the winter months. the schedule of payments and list of purchase ledger cheques requiring payment be approved.

Meeting Closed 8.15pm

Signed

Chairman