FINANCE COMMITTEE

You are hereby summoned to attend the meeting of Haverhill Town Council Finance Committee to be held in The Studio, Town Hall, High Street, Haverhill, on Tuesday 20th November 2007 commencing at 7.00 p.m., for the purpose of transacting the following business

Town Councillors:

Chair:



HAVERHILL TOWN COUNCIL

T Trebble L Ager, M Byrne, A Gower, P Hanlon, G Price, and K Richardson,

AGENDA

CONSTITUTION:

1. Apologies for Absence

Please give any apologies to the office by 5.00 p.m. on the day of the meeting.

2. Declaration of Interest

For Members to declare interests in matters on the agenda.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

To approve the Minutes of Meeting held 25th September 2007.

4. Current Financial Position

To note the financial position as at the end of October (attached)

5. Draft Committee Budget 2008/2009

To agree the draft Committee budget (attached)

6. <u>Closure</u>

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Draft Committee Budget 2008/2009

The major changes to the Committee budget proposed for 2008/2009 are as follows:-

Members Training

It is proposed to reduce this sum to £2,000. Most Members received the New Councillor training, and currently the only identified needs are training for Committee Chairs and New Councillor Training for those Councillors due to be elected.

Members Other Costs

It is proposed to increase this sum to £600 to allow for the production and purchase of Past Mayor's badges.

Electoral Expenses

It is proposed that the balance in this account at the end of 2007/2008 be rolled forward as an earmarked reserve and that in 2008/2009 a further £8,000 (estimated to be the costs of the two current elections) be placed in this budget head.

Clothing/Safety Equipment

It is proposed that this budget be increased to provide for renewal and possible upgrading of the present Arts Centre uniform.

Travel/Subsistence

It is proposed this sum be increased to £2,350 to cover the travel expenses incurred in representing the Town Council at meetings outside Haverhill.

Telephone

It is proposed that following the end of the lease period and transfer of title, the telephone budget be reduced to £4,000.

Insurance

The proposal is to reduce the budget for insurance to £7,000.

Audit Fees

2008/2009 will probably see the Town Council's projected income budget exceed $\pounds 1$ million, which is the threshold for the production of more detailed accounts, and a higher audit charge. Consequently the proposal is to increase the budget to $\pounds 6,000$.

		Actual Last Year 2006/7	Actual Year To Date to 31 Oct 07	Current Annual Bud 2007/8	Proposed Annual Bud 2008/9
<u>Town Council</u>					
<u>102</u>	Democratic Representation				
4300	Members Travel/Subsist.	£327	£146	£300	£350
4301	Members Training	£439			
4302	Members Other Costs	£13	£13		
4310	Mayoral Allowance	£775	£850	£850	£1,155
4311	Civic Expenses	£3,213	£239	£3,370	£3,500
4400	Electoral Costs	£0	£0	£11,000	£8,000
	Democratic Representation:-Expenditure	£4,767	£2,173	£18,820	£15,605
	Net Expenditure over Income	£4,767	£2,173	£18,820	£15,605
<u>105</u>	Central Administration				
4000	Salaries	£98,010	£60,459	£106,888	£111,150
4001	Employer National Insurance	£6,912			
4002	Employer Pension	£13,798			
4006	Training	£2,068		,	,
4007	Recruitment	£617			
4009	Clothing/Safety Equipment	£188	£296	£618	£3,550
4010	Travel & Subsistence	£1,621	£1,303	£1,333	£2,350
4011	Hospitality	£278	£151	£0	£300
4013	Bevan House - maintenance	£2,753	£0	£1,500	£1,500
4014	Bevan House - security	£0	£0	£50	£0
4015	Rent Payable	£888			
4016	Window cleaning	£765			
4020	Postage	£1,771	£72	,	
4021	Stationery	£3,431	£2,027	£4,000	
4022	Telephone	£4,091	£3,500		
4023	Office - Equipment hire	£1,360			,
4025	Office - Equip. maintenance	£669		£300	
4027	Subscriptions	£2,599	£2,115		
4028	Books & Journals	£250			
4029		£7,639			
4030	Sundry Expenses	£331		£200 £250	
4032 4056	Office - Equipment/Consumables Legal & Professional	£341 £5,362			
4058	Audit Fees	£5,302 £5,100			
4059	Bank Charges	£15			
4080	IT Support Contracts	£13 £1,517			
4081	IT Repairs	£5,475			
4082	IT Website Maintenance	£1,060			
	Control Administration: Expanditure	0160.000	000 000	0100 070	0100 400
1060	Central Administration:-Expenditure Other Income	£168,909 £642			
	Central Administration :- Income	642	0	0	0
	Net Expenditure over Income	£168,267	£99,032	£182,870	£192,400

<u>109</u>	Grants to Town Hall Charity				
4505	Grant to Town Hall Charity	£137,449	£65,000	£117,150	£126,650
	Grants to Town Hall Charity:-Expenditure	£137,449	£65,000	£117,150	£126,650
	Net Expenditure over Income	£137,449	£65,000	£117,150	£126,650
<u>115</u>	Other Costs and Income				
4003	Hartseats Rebate	£5,936	£6,292	£6,292	£6,550
	Other Costs and Income:-Expenditure	£5,936	£6,292	£6,292	£6,550
1020	Rents Received Bevan House	£6,083	£4,875	£6,500	£6,500
1050	Grants Received	£13,500	£6,000	£6,000	£0
1060	Other Income	£9	£0	£0	£0
1190	Interest Received	£12,924	£17,448	£13,000	£20,000
	Other Costs and Income :- Income	£32,516	£28,323	£25,500	£26,500
	Net Expenditure over Income	-£26,580	-£22,031	-£19,208	-£19,950
	Town Council :- Expenditure Income Net Expenditure over Income	£317,061 £33,158 £283,903	£172,497 £28,323 £144,174	£325,132 £25,500 £299,632	£341,205 £26,500 £314,705