

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Tuesday 24th January 2006
in The Studio, Haverhill Arts Centre, High Street
Commencing at 7.20 p.m.



HAVERHILL
TOWN COUNCIL

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Present: **Chair Town Councillor:** **T Marks**
 Town Councillors: **Ed Morton, and Ted Trebble**

By Invitation: Town Councillors: **Les Ager and Gary Crane**

MINUTES

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs Thomas and Warwick.

2. Declaration of Interest

Councillor Tim Marks declared an interest as a member of Suffolk County Council.

3. Minutes

The minutes of Meeting held 22nd November 2005 were agreed as a true record.

4. Budget Review

The Committee noted the current situation. The Committee agreed to recommend to Full Council that, in the event that the Arts Centre achieved an excess of income over expenditure, that any balance be carried over to a special reserve to provide for any future deficit.

5. 2006/7 Budget

- a) The Committee considered and agreed to recommend to Full Council the Finance Committee budget.
- b) The Committee considered and agreed recommend to Full Council the Personnel Committee budget.
- c) Following the continued failure of the Arts & Leisure Committee to meet to agree its budget, the Finance Committee considered a draft budget and agreed to recommend to Full Council the Arts & Leisure Committee budget. The Committee asked that a presentation be made to Council of the work of Multiarts.
- d) The Committee considered and agreed to recommend to Full Council the Community First budget. The Committee considered a request from St Edmundsbury Borough Council that £10,000 of the proposed Masterplan Opportunity Fund be used to support the post of Market Town Project Officer, but this was rejected by the Committee.

6. Closure

The meeting was closed at 9.00 p.m.