

**FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING****Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2013 at 7.02pm****The Studio, Haverhill Arts Centre, High Street, Haverhill CB9 8AR**

**Present:**      **Chair: Town Councillor: P Hanlon**  
                          **Town Councillors: R André, M Byrne, B Hawes,**  
    **and G Stroud**



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**12 members of the public were present.**

**MINUTES****1. Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs Ager, Carr and Turner.

**2. Declarations of Interest**

No Members declared an interest in items on the agenda.

**3. Minutes of the Last Meeting held 12<sup>th</sup> February 2013**

The minutes of the meeting held 12<sup>th</sup> February 2013 were agreed as a true record.

**4. Matters Arising**

The Town Clerk reported that:

- A misallocation of salary costs for Hartseats, reported at the previous meeting, had been corrected
- The administration costs of the ONE Haverhill grants fund had been deducted prior to paying out £32,943 in awarded grants

**5. Current Financial Position**

The Committee noted the financial position as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2013. The Town Clerk also outlined work that had begun with the aim of relaunching the Bistro to improve its appeal and profitability. The following issues were raised:

- Whether more income was expected in relation to the Olympic Torch Relay event. The Town Clerk agreed to check this
- Whether there had been a problem with filling grit bins. The Town Clerk reported that there had been no specific problem with grit bins, but that filling was part of the wider gritting rounds and the very inclement weather might have affected these
- Whether an external consultant would be used for proposed changes to the Bistro. The Town Clerk said that this would be in-house
- Whether the WRVS kitchen would be used as part of a relaunched Bistro. The Town Clerk reported that this formed part of the changes under consideration

**6. Closure**

The meeting was closed at 7.19pm.

**Action**

**TOWN CLERK**