FCM/M/27.06.06 FULL COUNCIL MEETING

<u>Tuesday 27th June 2006 at 7.30 pm</u> In Haverhill Arts Centre, High Street, Haverhill



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Present: Chair: Ann Thomas (items 1-3 only) Town Councillors: L Ager (items 1-3 only), S Fanning, T Marks, S Martin, E Morton, K Richardson (items 1-3 only), L Samples, E Trebble and R Warwick

Also present:

Eight members of the public

MINUTES

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs Brown, Goody, and McManus.

2. Declaration of Interests

Cllr Thomas declared an interest as member of St Edmundsbury Borough Council. Cllr Marks declared an interest as a member of Suffolk County Council.

3. <u>Co-option of Councillor</u>

The Council agreed to co-opt Paul McManus.

Cllrs Ager, Richardson and Thomas left the meeting. Cllr Trebble took the Chair.

4. <u>To confirm Minutes of Meeting held 6th June 2006</u>

The minutes of the meeting held 6th June were confirmed as a true record. Cllr Fanning asked for and was given confirmation that her letter had been presented at that meeting

5. <u>To deal with any urgent matters arising from the Minutes not covered by this agenda</u>

Cllr Fanning asked if there had been any further correspondence regarding the complaint of alleged disability discrimination and was advised that there had been no further correspondence from the Disability Rights Commission.

6. Inspector Bruce Gent, Suffolk Police

Inspector Gent advised that additional Police were on duty for the World Cup, and that Officers now had the power to issue fixed penalty notices for offences in the street, including criminal damage. There were exceptions to the fixed penalty notice scheme, including the fact that the recipient must be aged 17 or over and must be sober, but the first such notice had already been issued.

There was an on-going issue with anti-social and nuisance behaviour centred around the Cambridge Way/Cambridge Close area, and ASBO's were being obtained.

The Police were focussing on criminal damage and with the support of Pubwatch were seeking to have a Pubwatch ban imposed on those who committed criminal damage whilst under the influence of alcohol.

Complaints had been received regarding mini-motorbikes on Puddlebrook and the Borough Council were repairing and replacing damaged fencing.

Cllr Trebble advised Inspector Gent that the Clements Residents Association would welcome a visit from their local Beat Officer. Cllr Morton reported an incident involving mini-motorbikes on Sunday morning near to his home address and Inspector Gent advised regarding the force directive on pursuits.

The meeting was adjourned for the Public Forum

Two members of the public complained that the Town Council had not yet been able to hold a meeting on health issues in the Town. The Town Clerk advised of the difficulties in finding a representative who was able to talk authoritatively on the services to be delivered by the yet-to-be-formed Suffolk Primary Care Trust, and those to be delivered from the yet-to-be-formed Regional Health authority.

The meeting was resumed after the Public Forum

7. Adoption of Committee Reports

Planning Committee

The Council agreed the adoption of the minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held 6th June 2006. Cllr Fanning again gave her reasons for not wanting to be on this Committee.

Finance Committee

The Council agreed the adoption of the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held 20th June 2006.

8. <u>To Receive The External Auditor's Comments on the 2004/2005 Accounts</u>

The Clerk reported that the comments of the External Auditor on the accounts for 2004/2005 had not been received in time for the meeting. Members expressed concern at the time taken to audit the Accounts.

9. <u>To Receive The Internal Auditor's Notes on the 2005/2006 Accounts</u>

The Clerk reported that the comments of the Internal Auditor on the accounts for 2005/2006 were not ready for the meeting but would be available following completion of the audit on the Town Hall Charity and Hartseats Limited on 29th June.

To Agree the 2005/2006 Accounts

The Council is agreed the accounts. Cllr Fanning voted against.

11. School Organisation Review

The Council agreed to circulate the consultation document for members to respond with their comments to the Clerk by 28th July in order that a response could be prepared and dispatched.

12. <u>Correspondence</u>

- a) Suffolk County Council Local Transport Plan
 - The Council noted references to Haverhill in the Plan.

13. <u>To authorise payments.</u>

The Council agreed to authorise the following cheque lists:-

Date	Cheque No.s	Value
25.05.06	002284-2299	£18,710.07
30.05.06	002300	£300.00
30.05.06	002301-2305	£2,269.82
06.06.06	002306-2326	£35,594.67
15.06.06	002327-2350	£459,627.98
15.06.06	002351-2352	£546.05

14.

<u>To receive urgent correspondence</u> There were no urgent items of correspondence.

15.

<u>Closure</u> The meeting was closed at 8.50 p.m.