

**HPC Finance Committee Meeting**  
**31st January 2013**

Present: MJ in Chair, DP, TR, LH, CH NG, RT, HW and WS.

Apologies: SRW

MJ said that the Rural Liaison grant would be likely to cease as from 2014/2015 and that Parish Council precepts would be capped in accordance with Government wishes. This should be borne in mind when setting the precept for next year.

**Office Rent**

MJ has received an email from The Community Centre indicating that they wish to increase the monthly rent of £200

After discussion it was proposed by DP, seconded by HW, that we get back to the C/C saying that as we have had no notice in writing, no proper figures and that the precept has to be fixed now we cannot agree to an increase at this time. The Parish Council are prepared to discuss this with the C?C when a proper case is made.

**Parish Council Budget**

Estates/footpaths increase	to remain at	£8000
Marsh Road (ring fenced)	to remain at	£2500
General Admin	to remain at	£7500
Halling View	to increase to	£3000 from £2400
Wages	to increase from	£7500 to £8000
Contingency fund	to increase from	£1000 to £1650
FW13	to remain at	£2500

It was agreed that last year's one off budget item of £3000 for the Diamond Jubilee should be used next year for refurbishment of play equipment together with Ray Maisey's ward fund contribution of £2000 already received.

TOTAL an increase from £34400 to £36150 (5%)

It was proposed by DP, seconded by LH, that the budget for 2013/2014 be accepted. This was agreed unanimously.

**Halling View**

WS agreed to send out the 2012 invoices asap and the invoices for 2013 in April or May 2013.