

PRESENT: Cllr. Paul Harries (Chairman) Cllrs. Byron James, John Rowe Lewis, James Davies, Ann Hollyfield and Sue Hutchinson.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllrs. Robert Vaughan, Daron Paish and Dilys Evans.

MINUTES: The Minutes of the previous Committee Meeting held on the 17th October 2008 were approved at the Council Ordinary Meeting held on the 27th October 2008.

The main item for consideration at this Committee Meeting was the Council's Precept for 2009/2010.

The Chairman had prepared detailed information of the Council's Income & Expenditure, Reserves etc. for 2008/2009 plus proposed expenditure for the coming year 2009/2010 and copies were circulated to Councillors.

It was unanimously agreed that in view of the present economic climate every effort should be made to keep our Precept at the same level as the present year. Councillors agreed to amend several items of proposed expenditure for 2009/10 - the main item being - hopefully for one year only - our annual £2,000 contribution to the Parrog Yard fund for a purpose built Youth Facility and Library etc.

Cllrs. Sue Hutchinson and James Davies proposed and seconded that the County Council be informed that our Precept for the forthcoming financial year April 2009/March 2010 will be £17,646.00 the same figure as 2008/2009.

The following invoices were unanimously agreed for payment:

3rd and final annual payment to Cemetery Caretaker for 2008/9 £1,226.27.  
British Legion Poppy Wreath £15.  
Council's contribution for MUGA maintenance <sup>NOV</sup> December 2008 £24.68.  
Audit fee for 2007/8 BDO Stoy Hayward LLP £188 inc. £28 VAT  
C.B.M. typewriter supplies £51.18 inc. £6.68 VAT  
Town Christmas Lights Mr. N. Wilmott £2,000 inc. electricity.  
Tree felling Liam Morris £100.  
Disposal of tree £50.  
Newport Winter Festival - Dingle Marquee Hire £3047.50 inc £397.50 VAT  
JJ & PT Williams generator hire £445.02  
inc £58.04 VAT  
Siop Anrhegion Gwaun Father Christmas presents  
£940.69 inc £122.70 VAT

The Spring Bay Festival Committee presented the Council with a cheque for £3,854.97 from the Newport Winter Festival.