

**Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting held at  
Beechen Hall, Wildfell Close, Walderslade on Monday 21 May 2018 commencing  
at 7.44 p.m.**

Councillors present: Mr I Davies (Chairman), Ms L Clarke, Mr V Davies, Mr P Dengate, Mr B Hinder and Mrs W Hinder together with the Clerk Mrs P Bowdery and Assistant Clerk Mrs M Fooks.

**1. Apologies and non-attendance**

Cllr Hayday

**2. Declaration of Interests, Dispensations, Predetermination or Lobbying.**

There were none.

**3. Beechen Hall Extension and Toilet Refurbishment**

Members were informed that tenders and an independent cost plan indicated that the potential cost for this project is likely to exceed the budget set by the Parish Council by approximately £30,000. After lengthy and in-depth discussion Cllr Dengate proposed, seconded by Cllr Vic Davies

*"That this committee, having received an updated cost forecast for extending the small committee room, refurbishing the toilets and replacing the main doors in Beechen Hall, agrees to impose a revised cap of £210,000 on expenditure on this project, to request full council to release a further £30,000 (maximum) from general reserves to fund the projected shortfall within this amount, and to urge the Extension Working Group to take all necessary steps to trim costs as far as possible within the project parameters".*

The motion was defeated (2 in favour, 3 against with 1 abstention)

**4. Date of Next Meeting**

Tuesday 22 May 2018 at Beechen Hall, Wildfell Close, Walderslade commencing at 7.30 p.m.

Meeting closed at 8.05 p.m.

Signed as a correct record of the proceedings.

Chairman.....

Date.....