MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

12th NOVEMBER, 2013

At a Meeting of the Management Committee held on 12th November, 2013:

PRESENT The Mayor (Councillor E.S. Jones) and Councillors, D.J. Barrett, C.S. Biggs, A.J. Canning, S. Hosford, T. James, F.E. Kent-Ledger, T. Loakes, A.J. Lyall, R.B. Potter (Chairman), M.E. Rennie and D. Taylor.

In attendance: Two local residents from Armada Way in respect of Minute No. 30.

APOLOGY for absence was received from Councillor K.E. Armitage.

25. <u>MINUTES</u>

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 10th September, 2013, adopted by Council on 24th September, 2013, were taken as read and were confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

26. PANEL MINUTES

(a) <u>Arts Panel</u>

The Committee considered the Minutes of the Arts Panel held on 5th November, 2013 (for Minutes see Appendix I). Members supported the outcome of the reviews in respect of Maumbury Rings and Borough Gardens events and noted that the Dorchester Youth and Community Centre had agreed to take all of the old PA equipment and would also loan the equipment to other organisations if it was needed.

It was

RESOLVED

That the Minutes be approved so far as this Committee is concerned.

(b) <u>Community Activities Panel</u>

The Committee considered the Minutes of the Community Activities Panel held on 7th November, 2013 (for Minutes see Appendix II).

It noted that a letter had also been written to the previous Mayor of Holbæk regarding re-establishing the twinning link but there had also been no response to that correspondence.

It was

That the Minutes be approved so far as this Committee is concerned.

(c) <u>Grants Panel</u>

The Committee considered an oral report of the Grants Panel held on 12th November, 2013 (for Minutes see Appendix III) and it was

RESOLVED

That the Minutes be approved so far as this Committee is concerned.

27. MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS

The Committee considered the schedule of work for the Outdoor Services Team. It was reported that the tree at Salisbury Fields which had to be felled following recent bad weather was to be replaced with a Sycamore tree. Members requested that Officers continue to look at opportunities for reduced grass cutting in order to help create wildflower 'strips'.

It was noted that Dorset County Council was reviewing its highway verge cutting policy for next year.

It was

RESOLVED

That the schedule of work for the Outdoor Services Team be noted.

28. **DOG FOULING**

Members were reminded that there had been an ongoing issue of dog fouling at the Great Field. West Dorset District Council's Dog Warden had previously undertaken some targeted work in the area and was still monitoring it as time permitted.

West Dorset District Council had indicated that it might be possible for the part time Dog Warden to work on behalf of the Town Council to target particular problem areas with the aim of catching and prosecuting offenders subject to the Town Council covering the additional costs incurred. Members noted that the Town Council would specify exactly what service it required from the dog warden as a part of the contract.

The Mayor reported that additional signage would also be helpful and proposed that the signs be designed by first school children so as to be more eye catching. The Mayor confirmed that she could arrange for the designs to be drawn up after Christmas.

It was also reported that the young people who attended the Youth Council training day at Thomas Hardye School recently had all suggested that free pick up bags should be provided in the location.

Members also put forward a number of other proposals for consideration.

The Committee felt that a programme of action should be developed with a view to implementing in the Spring 2014. It was felt that the provision of free dog waste collection bags should be undertaken straight away.

It was

RESOLVED

- (1) That the proposed programme of action in respect of reducing dog fouling at the Great Field be presented to the March 2014 Committee.
- (2) That investigations be made into the possibility of introducing free dog waste collection bags at the Great Field.

29. FREE RUNNING EQUIPMENT – SANDRINGHAM SPORTS CENTRE

The Committee considered whether to locate Free Running equipment at Sandringham Sports Centre in the location where the fitness trail had previously been located. The proposed design of the equipment had been put together following meetings with experts in the discipline and would be the first purpose built facility in the county. The cost of the proposal was approximately £20,000 and initial enquiries had indicated that this could be funded from Section 106 monies.

Members were informed of concerns raised by the school adjacent to the proposed site and some Members felt that a better site would be Kings Road playing fields. The Committee felt that it would be useful to get the views of some young potential users of the equipment regarding the location.

It was

RESOLVED

- (1) That the principle of purchasing free running equipment be agreed.
- (2) That young potential users of the equipment be asked their views regarding its location.

30. SANDRINGHAM SPORTS CENTRE - TREES

The Committee considered a report by the Town Clerk on the future approach to be taken to tree management at Sandringham Sports Centre following receipt of representations from neighbours.

Local residents then addressed the Committee in respect of the detrimental impact the trees were having on their properties and urged the Committee to take action. Members noted that the Ash dieback disease had reached Dorset and it was likely to infect the Ash trees at Sandringham at some stage in the future which would mean the Council would have to fell the trees quickly.

It was also reported that one tree had been earmarked for crown thinning in the proposed management plan but it was very likely that this tree's roots had invaded at least one adjacent property and that if the tree management plan went ahead it would be necessary to investigate root invasiveness which might change the approach proposed for that tree.

The Committee reluctantly agreed that the best way forward would be to introduce a new screening scheme over the next two years, by removing those trees which, in the opinion of the Council's tree consultant, posed the greatest risk to property, and thinning the crown of many more trees. This would result in the removal of at least nine, mainly ash trees, to be replaced by a similar number of hazel, dogwood and laurel trees.

It was noted that before any action could be taken the proposal would need to be discussed with the Tree Officer at West Dorset District Council.

It was

RESOLVED

- (1) That, subject to consultation with West Dorset District Council's Tree Officer, a new screening scheme be introduced at Sandringham Sports Centre over the next two years by removing those trees which, in the opinion of the Council's tree consultant, posed the greatest risk to property, and thinning the crown of many more trees.
- (2) That the Mayor, Chairman and an East Ward Member be consulted prior to any action in respect of the timing and exact nature of the work to be undertaken.

31. DORCHESTER COMMUNITY PLAY

The Committee considered a request for a grant for the next Community Play for Dorchester – Drummer Hodge and for use of Council premises for occasional rehearsals subject to there being no cost to the Council and also some storing of scenery at Louds Mill depot.

It was

RESOLVED

 That a cultural activities grant of £2,000 be made toward the sixth Community Play for Dorchester – Drummer Hodge. (2) That occasional rehearsals be agreed on Council premises subject to there being no additional cost to the Council and also that permission be given to store some scenery at Louds Mill depot subject to room being available.

(Councillor R.B. Potter declared an interest in respect of the above matter.)

32. <u>ALLOTMENT CHARGES</u>

The Committee reviewed the charges for allotments to be effective from 1st January 2014. Members noted that a general review of all the Council's charges, including allotment charges for new tenancies, would be undertaken during 2014.

It was

RESOLVED

(1) That the allotment charges for 2014 be as follows:

<u>Half Plots</u> Frome Terrace Other Sites	£16.90 £17.40
<u>Full Plot</u> All Sites	£32.50
<u>Green Waste Removal</u> Full Plot Half Plot	£5.20 £3.20
Administration Fee All Sites and Plots	£40.00

(2) That the existing arrangement to charge double rent to those people resident within a four mile radius of the Municipal Buildings who would not qualify for an allotment under the normal criteria be confirmed.

33. <u>CEMETERY MATTERS</u>

(a) <u>Exclusive Right of Burial</u>

The Committee had before it a report which detailed the Grants of Exclusive Right of Burial for grave spaces in Dorchester, Poundbury and Fordington Cemeteries since the last meeting of the Committee and it was That the report on the Grants of Exclusive Right of Burial for grave spaces in Dorchester, Poundbury and Fordington Cemeteries since the last meeting of the Committee be noted.

(b) Interments and Burial of Ashes

Members considered a report which listed the dates and times of interments and burials of ashes together with South Chapel usage at Dorchester Cemetery since the last meeting of the Committee and it was

RESOLVED

That the report listing the dates and times of interments and burials of ashes together with South Chapel usage since the last meeting of the Committee be noted.

(c) <u>Headstones and Inscriptions</u>

The Committee received and noted applications for the design of headstones and inscriptions and it was

RESOLVED

That the action of the Town Clerk in approving designs numbered 3992 to 4000 be confirmed and the Register of Memorials be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

(d) <u>Weymouth Avenue Chapels - Insurance</u>

Members were informed that a recent reinstatement valuation of the Chapels had indicated that they should be insured for a sum of $\pounds 1.5m$ instead of the present $\pounds 370,000$. The additional cost to the insurance premium would be approximately $\pounds 1,500$ per year. The Committee discussed the options available and felt that it was unlikely that the Council would rebuild like for like should there be an incident which involved total loss of both chapels. It was noted that the Council did carry general reserves for unforeseen incidents.

It was

RECOMMENDED

That the Council no longer insures for full like for like reinstatement in respect of the two chapels at Weymouth Avenue Cemetery.

34. MONITORING REPORTS

The Committee received the monitoring reports for the Weymouth Avenue Pavilion, Borough Gardens Community Room and the Municipal Buildings which included additional detail regarding forthcoming projects, scheduled maintenance and urgent repairs.

Members noted that the Municipal Buildings bookings had declined and that serious consideration needed to be given to a strategy to promote and market all of the Council's facilities in the future. Members also felt that the Council's own use of the Municipal Buildings should be included within the monitoring report.

It was

RESOLVED

That the Weymouth Avenue Pavilion, Borough Gardens Community Room and Municipal Buildings Monitoring Reports be received.

35. **INFORMATION REPORTS**

The Committee considered the various reports which had been submitted for information and it was

RESOLVED

That the various information reports be noted.

36. **PAID INVOICES**

The Committee inspected the cheque list and supporting vouchers in respect of payments made between 1st September, 2013 and 31st October, 2013 totalling $\pounds 182,293.56$ (net) together with direct debits for the same period totalling $\pounds 107,251.56$ (net).

It was

RESOLVED

That the cheque transactions and direct debit payments lists be approved and signed accordingly.

37. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

It was

RESOLVED

That in view of the fact that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the following matters the public and representatives of the press be excluded from this meeting during their discussion.

38. CHANGING FACILITIES – THE GREAT FIELD

The Committee received a report by the Deputy Town Clerk on the progress being made in respect of the proposed new first school to be built at the Great Field. It was noted that the project was at the feasibility stage and the Town Council needed to have input with regard to its preferred way forward in respect of changing rooms for users of the sports pitches. The Town Clerk and Deputy Town Clerk would be attending a meeting on this matter in the near future. Members indicated that their preferred way forward was to have a facility that was built within/attached to the school but which the Council would own, maintain and be able to manage bookings (the Sandringham model). Members also requested that safeguards be in place should the new school, at some stage in the future, seek academy status.

It was

RESOLVED

That the Council's preferred way forward for the introduction of changing facilities at the Great Field be as set out above.

Chairman

ARTS PANEL

5th NOVEMBER, 2013

At a Meeting of the Arts Panel held on 5th November, 2013:

PRESENT The Mayor (Councillor E.S. Jones) and Councillors V.J. Allan, C.S. Biggs and A.J. Lyall (Chairman).

In Attendance: Councillors S.C. Hosford and M.E. Rennie.

APOLOGIES for absence were received from Councillors F.E. Kent-Ledger and T. James.

4. MAUMBURY RINGS EVENTS – AUGUST BANK HOLIDAY - 2013 REVIEW

Members had before them a report by the Deputy Town Clerk reviewing the events held in Maumbury Rings over the August bank holiday. The Panel noted that the events held on the Saturday and Sunday – Anonymous Youth Festival and Love Parade, both received an indirect grant to the value of £1,100 which was a third of the infrastructure costs paid for by the Council. Additionally Anonymous received a £1,300 cash grant from the Council.

The Panel felt that Anonymous was a well organised festival which was growing in size and Dorchester Youth Extra had indicated that it wished to continue with its organisation.

The Panel noted that there had been some issues with regard to the Love Parade event this year. Initial discussions had taken place with the organiser who accepted that some of the acts were inappropriate for a family audience but that he did wish to continue with the event in the future. He had been informed that the Council was reviewing the weekend events and a further meeting had been scheduled to discuss the matter further. Members expressed concern about the organisation of the event and felt that if it was to continue an officer from the Council should be in attendance during the day, the cost of which should be passed on to the Love Parade Committee and that the Council's approval be given to any acts that were to be performing. Members also felt that it would be beneficial to maximise the use of the Rings for that day.

With regard to the Council's music day the Chairman reported that he had felt isolated during the day and that improvements were necessary for the event to continue. It was noted that the event was again very well attended and Members felt that it should continue in its present format subject to the improvements proposed in the report. Members also volunteered their help for future events and it was reported that Waitrose volunteers had also indicated that it was something that they would like to help at. The Panel felt that it was a good idea to purchase a Town Council branded gazebo that could be erected by one person and used as a focal point at any Council event. It was noted that the Round Table had recently purchased a large gazebo and it was considered that a facility like this might be useful for the Council's community events. It was also reported that there was a possibility that Dorchester Arts might wish to hold an event on the Friday evening.

Members noted the total cost of providing the events in 2013 and that there would be no significant increase in that cost for running/facilitating them in 2014.

It was

RECOMMENDED

- (1) That the maximum grant to be allocated to Anonymous Youth Festival in 2014 be $\pounds 1,000.$
- (2) That if Love Parade is to continue an officer from the Council should be in attendance during the day (the cost of which should be passed on to the Love Parade Committee) and that the Council's approval be given to the content of any acts that are to be performing.
- (3) That consideration be given to maximising the use of Maumbury Rings particularly with regard to the Friday night and the Sunday.
- (4) That the improvements proposed in the report be implemented in readiness for the 2014 Music Day.
- (5) That the Community Activities Panel look at the possibility of purchasing a larger gazebo/marquee that could be used for the Council's other community events.

5. BOROUGH GARDENS EVENTS - 2013 REVIEW

The Panel considered a report by the Deputy Town Clerk reviewing the events held in the Borough Gardens over the summer. Members noted that the revised arrangements with having a responsible officer present during events and only setting up basic PA had generally worked well, there were however some issues with performers leaving their vehicles by the bandstand etc but these would be addressed for 2014. Members felt that a varied musical events programme should continue in the future but that consideration should be given to the amount paid for acts, which was felt to be too high, and also the number of acts that were staged over the summer with a view to reducing the number for example there was no need to have Council sponsored events on Saturdays and Sundays. The Panel also suggested that DASP Music be contacted with regard to performing in the Gardens. Members also agreed that the more community focussed events such as Teddy Bears Picnic, Love Parks etc should be reviewed by the Community Activities Panel alongside its general review of community events that the Council has some involvement with. In considering the events staged by other organisations it was felt that a booking form should be introduced giving details of the event, responsible person details, a checklist of requirements etc.

In respect of the budget for 2014 it was not anticipated that there would be any significant difference from 2013 expenditure but how that resource was spent would be reviewed and the budget would be split so as to show the money available for the Borough Gardens music events and the community events separately.

It was

RECOMMENDED

- (1) That a varied musical programme continue in the Borough Gardens but that acts should not be booked for both Saturday and Sunday.
- (2) That the Community Activities Panel be asked to review and manage the events other than the Council's music programme such as Teddy Bears Picnic and Love Parks alongside its general review of community events.
- (3) That a booking form be introduced for use by organisations wishing to stage events in the Borough Gardens.
- (4) That the budget be separated so as to identify the money available for the Borough Gardens music events and the community events separately.

6. **DORCHESTER ARTS – JOINT PROMOTIONS**

The Panel considered correspondence from Dorchester Arts which gave a choice of two possible shows to be considered for the last 2013-14 joint promotion. Members felt that 'Pirate Gran' would be a great family show that would be very popular. It was noted that this performance would be staged on Good Friday. It was suggested that raked or partially raked seating be used for this show so that everyone could have a good view. Members felt that joint promotions now being offered by Dorchester Arts were excellent.

It was

RECOMMENDED

That the Council contribute $\pounds 1,000$ towards the production of 'Pirate Gran' as a joint promotion between Dorchester Arts and the Town Council subject to the show not going out to 'Artsreach'.

7. **DISPOSAL OF OLD PA EQUIPMENT**

Members were reminded that the Council owned an amount of PA equipment that it no longer used. The equipment was originally used when 'high level' PA was required at a very limited number (one maybe two) of events over previous summers. The Panel had previously agreed that the Council would no longer provide this 'high level' PA but that the equipment should be retained in case community organisations wished to make use of it at their events. There had however been no requests to borrow the equipment.

The Chairman of the Arts Panel and Deputy Town Clerk had reviewed the equipment and earmarked a number of items for disposal, which included the old white trailer that was used to transport the equipment. The Council would be retaining sufficient equipment so as to have two simple PA systems that could be borrowed or used by the Council plus the new equipment which was agreed to be purchased at the last Management Committee meeting.

The Panel agreed that the unwanted PA equipment should be offered free of charge to youth/community organisations who might be able to make good use of it. The Dorchester Youth and Community Centre had already expressed an interest in the equipment. With regard to the old trailer it was believed that this had a small resale value and an offer had been received to purchase it. Members reported that the Dorchester Crime Prevention Panel was looking for some form of trailer.

It was

RECOMMENDED

- (1) That the PA equipment that was no longer used be offered free of charge to the Dorchester Youth and Community Centre and any other youth / community organisations that might be able to make good use of it.
- (2) That old trailer be disposed of to either the Dorchester Crime Prevention Panel or to the establishment that had already made an offer to purchase.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES PANEL

7th NOVEMBER, 2013

At a Meeting of the Community Activities Panel held on 7th November, 2013:

PRESENT The Mayor (Councillor E.S. Jones) and Councillors S. C. Hosford, T. James, P. G. Mann and M.E. Rennie (Chairman).

In attendance: Councillor V.J. Allan Mr A Thorpe – Dorchester Bayeux Society Mr. J.H. Antell, Dorchester-Lübbecke Society

APOLOGY for absence was received from Councillor F.E. Kent Ledger.

1. SOCIETY REPORTS

(a) <u>Dorchester - Bayeux Society</u>

Mr Thorpe informed the Panel that the Society had enjoyed a successful visit to Bayeux in September and thanked the Mayor and the Mayor's Consort for joining them. The Mayor confirmed that the visit had been enjoyable. He reported that the Society had held a Special General Meeting on 10th October at the request of two of the Society's Members who each proposed to change the Society's constitution. It had been agreed that the numbers serving on the Society's Management Committee would be reduced to a minimum of seven and a maximum of ten plus the representative from the Dorchester Town Council. It had also been agreed the Society would continue to be called the Dorchester Bayeux Society.

The Panel noted that the Dorchester Tigers Basketball Club had been invited to Bayeux to participate in a four nation basketball tournament over the weekend of the 14th and 15th June 2014. Although at present the numbers had not been confirmed it was likely that a party from the Dorchester - Bayeux Society would attend the tournament. It was confirmed that the Mayor would be welcome to join them.

Mr Thorpe informed the Panel that he believed that no formal plans as yet had been put in place to mark the 100 year anniversary of WW1 in Bayeux but that they would more likely mark the 70th anniversary of D-Day.

Mr Thorpe confirmed that a party from Bayeux would be visiting Dorchester from the 12th -15th September and that a request for a reception had been made. The Panel Chairman confirmed that the Town Hall and Weymouth Avenue Sports Pavilion had been booked for Friday, 12th September and that the Weymouth Avenue Sports Pavilion had been booked for the afternoon of the 13th September 2014.

(b) Dorchester - Holbæk Society

The Mayor reported that she had written personally to the Mayor of Holbæk but had not received a response. It was agreed that efforts to re-establish links should be regularly made.

Councillor P.G. Mann informed the Panel that the Thomas Hardye School had received an award for its international links and suggested that they may be interested in establishing links with Holbæk. It was agreed that the Mayor would request a meeting with the International Co-Ordinator at the School.

The Mayor informed the Panel that arrangements had been made for a bench to be placed in the Borough Gardens and dedicated to the former Chairman of the Holbæk Society, Dennis Maggs on the 26th April 2014.

(c) <u>Lübbecke Society</u>

Mr Antell reported that there had been a change in the committee and that a new Secretary had been appointed and that the Society was also looking to appoint a new Treasurer and Events Co-ordinator. He reiterated the club's concern that a number of its Members were reaching an age where they would not be able to take an active role. Mr Antell informed the Panel of his intention to step down from the role as Chairman of the Society at the next AGM. Councillor Mann (the President of the Society) and the Chairman of the Community Activities Panel thanked him for all of his hard work over the years.

It was reported that local Dorchester Artist Mike Chapman had completed a sculpture in the town centre of Lübbecke and a request was made that in the future a similar initiative could happen in Dorchester.

A member informed the Panel that students from the Thomas Hardy School had established links with a counterpart school in Lübbecke and that they were regularly in contact via Skype and email.

Councillor T. James informed the committee that 24 Members from Dorchester Choral Society had recently returned from a visit to Lübbecke and confirmed that as part of the WW1 commemorations that the choirs from Dorchester and Lübbecke would be performing together 'A Child of Our Time' in Lübbecke on 24 October 2014 and in Dorchester on 1 November 2014. It was hoped that a choir from Bayeux would also take part but that was yet to be confirmed.

Mr Antell informed the Panel that the society would be interested to research what life was like for people living in Lübbecke during WW1 as part of the WW1 Commemorations.

2. LÜBBECKE 40TH TWINNING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

(a) The Mayor reported that a Civic delegation from Lübbecke had enjoyed a successful visit to Dorchester from the 29th August – 2nd September as part of the 40th twinning anniversary celebrations. The weekend had included a Civic Reception, a church service and a programme of activities. She thanked the United Church for their hospitality at the farewell supper on the 2nd September. The Chairman of the Dorchester Lübbecke Society said that Members that had attended the Civic Reception had enjoyed themselves

and the opportunity to meet friends old and new. As part of the celebrations the Dorchester Town Youth Under 16's Gladiators visited Lübbecke to play football against local teams.

(b) It was reported that the Town Council had received a request for help with funds from Members of the Dorchester Town Youth Under 16's Gladiators to visit Lübbecke from 25th October – 28th October as part of the 40th twinning anniversary celebrations. The Panel noted that following consultation with the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Panel Members it had been agreed to award a grant of £500 to Dorchester Town Youth Under 16's football team.

It was

RECOMMENDED

That the action taken under delegated powers be noted.

3. TWINNING LEAFLET

Members of the Panel received examples of twinning leaflets and considered the possibility of the Town Council creating a similar information leaflet or working with the twinning societies to create a joint leaflet and it was

RECOMMENDED

- (1) That consideration of the leaflets be taken by each of the Societies.
- (2) That each society reports back if they would like to proceed in creating a joint leaflet.

4. **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

(a) <u>WW1 Commemorations</u>

The Town Clerk reminded Members of the Panel that the 100 year anniversary commemorations would take place over the period of 5 years. He informed the Panel that the Town Council had been in discussion with a number of local organisations and was aware of a number of events that are already in the process of being organised. The Town Clerk suggested that the Town Council assist many of the events by providing infrastructure to event organisers and co-ordination for the public to understand what events will be taking place within the town.

The Panel discussed and considered a number of suggestions of ways to commemorate the Great War and it was

RECOMMENDED

That further consideration be given to ways to commemorate the Great War.

(b) <u>Summer Events Programme</u>

Members noted that the non-music events organised by the Town Council would be the responsibility of the Community Activities Panel. Members requested further information regarding the events currently organised by the Town Council.

It was

RECOMMENDED

That on receipt of further information of events organised by the Town Council further discussions take place.

(c) Dorchester Carnival

The Panel considered a letter received on the 9th October from John Palmer, the Acting Chairman of Dorchester Carnival Committee requesting help in organising the carnival as Dorchester Round Table was no longer able to.

It was

RECOMMENDED

That Councillor E.S. Jones would join the new Dorchester Carnival Committee and represent Dorchester Town Council.

5. CHRISTMAS LIGHTS AND TREES

The Town Clerk informed the Panel that the preparations for the Christmas lights in Dorchester was well underway and that a Christmas tree and lights would also be provided at Queen Mother Square.

GRANTS PANEL

12th NOVEMBER, 2013

At a Meeting of the Grants Panel held on 12th November, 2013:

- **PRESENT** The Mayor (Councillor E.S. Jones) and Councillors C.S. Biggs (Chairman), F.E. Kent-Ledger, P.G. Mann and M.E. Rennie.
- **APOLOGY** for absence was received from Councillor D. Taylor.

2. <u>APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE</u>

The Panel considered grant applications which had been received and it was

RECOMMENDED

- (1) That the application from the Dorchester Chamber of Commerce (Christmas Cracker) be approved in the sum of £269.
- (2) That the application from the Dorchester Strollers be approved in the sum of $\pounds 100$.
- (3) That the application from the West Dorset Community justice Panel be approved in the sum of $\pounds 500$.

(During discussion of this matter Members felt that it was important that the Panel established a permanent system of funding for the future as it was unlikely that the Panel would be able to fund on an ongoing basis, that the people being trained stay working with the Panel and that an annual report be provided to the Council.)

> (4) That the application from the Steve Charles Help a Friend Fund be not approved as the Council had already funded one event for the Fund in this financial year.