

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Rye Relief in Need charity held on
Monday 8 May 2017 at Rye Town Hall**

PRESENT Councillors Sam Barnes, Mike Boyd (**Deputy Mayor**), John Breeds, Jonathan Breeds (**Mayor**), Cheryl Creaser, Justin Erswell, Bernardine Fiddimore, Rebekah Gilbert, Charlie Harkness, Pat Hughes, Jo Kirkham, Ian Potter, Ray Prewer, Andi Rivett, Andy Stuart

IN ATTENDANCE Richard Farhall – Secretary; Jessica Neame – General Assistant

The meeting commenced at 7.37pm.

1 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence – and the reasons as lodged with the Clerk - were accepted from Councillor Shaun Rogers.

2 CODE OF CONDUCT

There were no declarations of interest.

3 ACCURACY OF THE MINUTES

AGREED To adopt the Minutes of the meeting held on 30 January 2017.

4 MATTERS ARISING

20 Application for a Grant (Mr B – provision of a reliable water supply and hot water) The Secretary advised that Southern Water would be digging the trench on 10 May, allowing Plumblin to renew the main and carry out the remainder of the work.

5 FINANCE

Members noted the Finance Update as at 2.5.17. The total uncommitted funds were £66,203.47 – of which £6,162.03 was available for distribution.

6 EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

There was no need to consider excluding the public and press - in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (1)(2) – from the item following because no members of the public or press were present.

7 APPLICATION FOR A GRANT

Members considered an application from Mr W for a grant of £473 to fund a cooker (£95), washing machine (£95), bedroom carpet (£165) and hallway carpet (£118).

Cllr Creaser gave a brief report on her visit – together with Cllr Erswell – to the applicants' home.

7.47 Cllr Hughes arrived

Members noted the action the landlord, AmicusHorizon, had taken in respect of the applicants concerns – and that it had provided them with advice on minimising condensation within the bedroom.

It was considered generally that – particularly given the limited resources available to the charity - having access to a functioning cooker and washing machine was more important to a household than carpeting.

AGREED To award a grant of £190 to allow the applicants to obtain a cooker and functioning washing machine. Secretary

The meeting ended at 7.51pm

Date Chairman