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**Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance Committee, held at the Shire Hall,  
Llandeilo, 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2003, at 7.00pm.**

Present: Councillors: Cllr R. Bellamy Chair, Cllr C. Jenkins, Cllr K. Day;  
Other: R. Huw Griffiths (Technical Officer).

**5930:** Apologies: Colette Paterson (Town Clerk); Councillors: Cllr C. Cooper, Cllr D. A. Jones (Mayor), Cllr D. Williams.

**5931:** Accounts for Payment: All proposed by CJ, seconded KD.

Geraint Price for LBS	Fireworks timber	£52.63
J W Thomas	Fireworks printing	£357.50
M Rees	Shire Hall repair light	£102.81
M Rees	Christmas lights testing	£61.39
DETA	Christmas light bulbs	£521.82
Konica	Office photocopier use	£36.15
Misco	Office printer purchase	£406.46
C Paterson	Office postage (5 months)	£31.68
C Paterson	Office home use (2 months)	£56.00

**5932:** Income: Carmarthenshire County Council Footpath maintenance £207.00

**5933:** Precept 2004-5:

Councillors discussed the precept and compared it to that of similar sized communities in Carmarthenshire. The clerk had provided a spreadsheet showing estimate income and spending to the end of March 2004: Income £48,610, expenditure £51,600. As yet there are no costs for next year's projects, and it is an election year.

CJ proposed and KD seconded that Council freeze the precept at £33,690.05 again as there is a large amount of money in the reserves. Recommended that Clerk should produce a budget allocation for Finance committee in January.

**5934:** Other financial matters:

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Crescent Road railings – there are no funds earmarked for this and the committee are not sure whether a grant application has been made. Finance committee would like to see details of this and any other projects that originate from the Town Council.

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**5935:** Shire Hall window repair –The Technical Officer had 2 quotations for supply only of the new window, at £1380 excluding glass, or £1150 including glass.

The Technical Officer now to get quotes to fit the window. (Quote for supply and fit was £3900). All prices + VAT.

**5936:** Correspondence:

None available.

Section 137 applications referred to January meeting.

Meeting closed and was followed by a brief presentation from Davies Richards Partnership on the housing development at Pencrug. Members raised issues about housing density, provision of a play area for children, footpath and road access to the rest of town, retention of natural features and mature trees.