



currently being sought so as to not inconvenience the Council's tenants. Noted.

#### **ITEM 7. REVIEW OF FEES**

The Committee considered a tabled written report prepared by Cllr. Bastiman regarding a review of annual fees and charges made by the Town Council. In addition, the Committee considered a letter dated 24<sup>th</sup> January 2012 from Mr. Godwin Johnson, the Council's agent at The Oval Tennis Courts asking the Council to consider not increasing the fees for the hire of tennis courts at The Oval, due to the current economic climate.

The Committee were reminded that in order to freeze the 2012/2013 Precept at 2011/2012 levels, the Town Council had recognised the need to increase revenues from annual charges and fees.

After a full and lengthy discussion it was

RESOLVED that the fees and charges made by the Town Council for the hire of tennis courts at The Oval, hire of Council Chamber for weddings, civil ceremonies etc. and the fee for hire of the Council Chamber for meetings, be increased by a figure of 10% with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2012. With regard to hire of football pitches at Wooburn Green Lane, then the fees be increased by 10% with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2012.

(Note: Regular hirers of the Council Chamber such as Slimming World, Weight Watchers and National Childbirth Trust continue to be allowed a discounted rate on their hire fees, due them having regular bookings).

**Action**

#### **ITEM 8. MALHOUSE SQUARE GOAL POSTS**

The Committee were reminded that at the Open Spaces Committee meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> January 2012 it had been agreed to request the Resources Committee to consider providing funding to purchase a pair of 5 a-side goalposts and nets to be concreted into place at Malthouse Square Recreation Ground. The Town Clerk had obtained an estimate of £570 (net) for the supply of a pair of 5 a-side goalposts and nets, but pointed out that installation of them was not included.

A discussion took place on this matter and it was agreed that the 5 a-side goal posts should be installed at the same time as the outdoor fitness equipment at Malthouse Square Recreation Ground, and that the Town Clerk be authorised to ask Proludic if they could concrete in the 5 a-side goalposts when they were carrying out installation of the all age fitness equipment. The Chairman requested confirmation that the five a-side goal posts would fit within the relevant area of the Malthouse Square Recreation Ground where the all age fitness equipment was to be located.

Discussion also took place on the possibility of perhaps providing a pair of 5 a-side goalposts at other open spaces which were owned by the Town Council in Holtspur and the Old Town. It was agreed that this matter be included on the agenda for the next Open Spaces Committee meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2012.

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk be asked to make enquiries of Proludic to see if they would be able to install the pair of goalposts at the same time as the installation of the outdoor fitness equipment was taking place.

**Action**

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#### **ITEM 9. REQUEST FOR GRANTS**

##### **Festival of Lights 2011**

The Committee noted that an email had been received from Mr. Richard Chandler, Chairman of the Festival of Lights Committee, stating that there would be a shortfall of income over expenditure for the 2011 event. When the Festival of Lights (FoL) accounts had been finalised by their Auditors, a copy would be sent to the Town Clerk, as the Committee's previous offer to meet any shortfall of upto £250 was likely to be needed. Noted.

**Action**

#### **ITEM 10. BEACONSFIELD TOWN OLYMPIC & QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS**

The Leader reminded the Committee that the sum of £1,000 had been included in the Council's budget for the Community Safety Committee for 2012/2013 for the Olympic celebrations. It had also been agreed that the sum of £1,000 would be taken from the Council's Reserves, this sum to be used for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Celebrations.

He also reported that following discussions at the Open Spaces Committee on 5<sup>th</sup> January 2012, the Town Clerk had written to Anita Khan at Bucks County Council, asking for consideration to be given to

**Action**

