

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Okehampton Town Council Policy and Resources Committee  
held on Monday 30 November 2015 at the rising of the Property Committee  
in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Okehampton**

**Committee Members Present:** Councillor B Stephens (Chairman)  
Councillor Mrs J Yelland  
Councillor Mrs V Cushing  
Councillor Mrs C Marsh  
Councillor B Tolley  
Councillor D Weekes  
Councillor P Vachon (Town Mayor)  
Councillor Mrs J Goffey (Chairman, Property)

**Other Members Present:** Councillor Mrs J Carpenter  
Councillor Miss C Holt  
Councillor Dr M Ireland  
Councillor R Rush

**In Attendance:** P R Snell (Town Clerk)

	<b>Action</b>
<p><b>314. <u>Apologies for Absence</u></b> - Apologies for absence were presented on behalf of Councillors Cummings and Leech.</p>	
<p><b>315. <u>Deferment of Business</u></b> - No members of the public present.</p>	
<p><b>316. <u>Budget 2016/2017</u></b> - The Chairman explained that the Policy &amp; Resources Committee had oversight of the Administration and Democratic budget pages. Questions were answered concerning the refund on insurance, the Civic Dinner, a provision for marketing and an explanation of the provision for various grants, both specific provisions and the small grants scheme as operated by the Council. The Clerk explained that a new provision had been made for the Rail Resilience Project, in addition to the earmarked fund which the Council was currently able to draw upon. After discussion, it was agreed to include an additional provision of £500 for the weekend event to follow the Battle of the Bands event in August, and it was noted that the sum of £5,000 budget provision had been placed under the heading of Locality in order to support the progress of the Neighbourhood Planning process. It was agreed to take the amended draft forward to the next stage to the Policy &amp; Resources Committee on the proposition of Councillor Weekes, seconded Councillor Yelland.</p>	

The meeting was closed at 8.00 pm.

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**Councillor B Stephens**  
Chairman