Item No 5

Extract from Hawick Common Good Fund WG Minute of 18 September 2012:-

## **COMMON HAUGH CAR PARK**

With reference to paragraph 4 of the Minute of 17 June 2010, the Property Officer gave an update about resurfacing work they felt was required to the Common Haugh Car Park. Members were reminded that although the car park site was owned by the Common Good this was on Scottish Borders Council's list of car parks that were "adopted for maintenance purposes". However the Legal and Licensing Manager confirmed that Environment and Infrastructure officers had decided that re-surfacing this car park was well down on the list of priorities and that therefore the Council would not be carrying out resurfacing work in the near future. Three quotes for resurfacing had been passed from the Roads section to the Property Officer, the cheapest of which was £14,250. The Property Officer pointed out that any work carried out should take place before the onset of winter weather if possible. There were differing views expressed by Members as to whether the Common Good should fund this work. It was felt that there was pride for the town in this free car park and that, as owner, the Common Good should stop its deterioration so that it would continue to be well used. However Councillor Turnbull believed that if the Common Good funded the repair work the future maintenance may also fall to the Common Good.

## **DECISION**

AGREED to continue the discussion on funding the resurfacing of the Common Haugh Car Park to the next meeting.