

Committee	FULL COUNCIL
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To consider a 5-user licence for the Rialtas accounts package

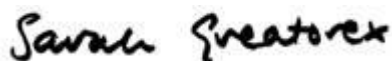
The Rialtas training has proved to be a great success. We appreciated the features which are designed specifically for councils, and we expect it to make the planning of budgets for future years, and the completion of year end procedures much easier than they have been in the past. The trainer was impressed with the professional expertise of our Bookkeeper Wendy, who took the training in her stride and is now keen to get on with the work needed to bring us up to date. We are now in a situation where most of the data for the current financial year is on Sage, but only the first half of April is on Rialtas.

Wendy is planning to do an extra day each week until we are up to date on both packages, and then we can abandon Sage, but may keep on the subscription for a few months until we are sure we have everything we need.

Rialtas offers opportunities which we have not had before, for example to generate efficiently all invoices for all departments, i.e. for car park permits, allotments and Queens Hall bookings, and this is something which we will explore further.

We currently have a one-user licence, but we are considering that it may be more useful to have a 5-user licence – they do not offer anything in between. This would mean that the Clerk could be working on the budget while the bookkeeper is entering monthly data. This would cost only £250 more per year.

Recommendation : that HTC agrees to purchase a 5-user licence for Rialtas for £250 + VAT



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