



MINUTES OF FINANCE MEETING

HELD AT THREE CROSSES COMMUNITY CENTRE ON THURSDAY, 21ST JANUARY 2016 AT 9.00pm

PRESENT:

Community Councillor
Nigel Aubrey (NA)
Belinda Hansford (BH)

Community Councillor
Kevin White (KW)
Warren Smart (WS)

Clerk: Ian Donaldson

Meeting commenced 9.05pm Community Councillor Warren Smart (Vice-Chair of the Community Council) Presiding

ITEM	HEADING	ACTION BY
699	<p><u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u> Apologies were received from Cllrs Hood- Williams, Jones, Prince and Kirsty Hanson.</p>	
700	<p><u>DISCLOSURES OF PERSONAL PREDUDICIAL INTEREST</u> There were no disclosures.</p>	
701	<p><u>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING</u> Cllr White proposed that the minutes from 18th September 2015 be accepted as a true record of the proceedings. Cllr Aubrey seconded this and the motion was carried unanimously.</p>	
702	<p><u>VERIFY BANK & CASHBOOK RECONCILIATIONS</u> Cllr Aubrey, as the appointed councillor, confirmed that the monthly reconciliations produced by the clerk were up to date, were correct and signed accordingly.</p>	
703	<p><u>ACTUALS V BUDGET FOR Q3 AND 2015/16 YEAR END</u> The clerk tabled a document explaining the preparation of the spreadsheets he was about to present. He had totalled up actuals until the end of January and had projected likely income & spend until end March. He explained that these were then used as a basis for the draft 2016/17 budget he tabled. This projection showed that the council was on course to be within total budget for 2015/16, this despite not receiving any payments back from LHCC.</p>	

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704	<p><u>TO APPROVE THE 2016/17 BUDGET AND SET THE PRECEPT</u></p> <p>The clerk presented a balanced draft budget and explained the changes from 2015/16. There were provisions for Fete Week and the Banc event, for potential legal fees and capital spend. Cllr Hansford asked if the communications budget could be increased by around £300 to add extra pages and allow for any printing cost increase. This was agreed unanimously with savings made in the S137 budget.</p> <p>After a short discussion it was decided to keep the precept at the same level as last year, and the two previous years, namely £42.24 per Band D equivalent properties (711).</p> <p>The motion that the 2016/17 Budget be approved on this basis was proposed by Cllr Aubrey, seconded by Cllr White and carried unanimously.</p> <p>Cllr Aubrey kindly proposed a vote of thanks to the clerk, complimenting him on his preparation of the budget and accounts. This was seconded by Cllr Hansford and carried unanimously.</p>	ID
705	<p><u>DATE OF NEXT FINANCE MEETING</u></p> <p>It was agreed that the next meeting would be on 16th June 2016 after the normal Council Meeting. The full 2015/16 Accounts would be presented and ratified prior to external audit.</p> <p>The meeting closed at 9.30pm</p>	

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