

ADDINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE
HELD AT THE OLD SCHOOL, ADDINGHAM
ON TUESDAY 9th November 2021 AT 6.00PM

Present

Cllrs: Sutcliffe (Chairman), Tennant, and Jerome

Absent

Cllrs: Smith

In Attendance

Parish Clerk – S Lloyd

Members of the Public - 1

20/21 Apologies for Absence

Received from Cllr Smith; reasons for absence approved.

21/21 Disclosures of Interest

Pursuant to the Council's Code of Conduct, Members were invited to disclose any additional interests (not already listed in the Register of Interests), and to note in the Declarations of Interests Book any previously disclosed interests, relevant to the business of the meeting.

Relevant interests noted: None

22/21 Public Consultation and Question Time

A member of the public requested clarification of a date noted in the previous minutes. This was found to be a typing error.

No other matters were raised by the members of the public

23/21 Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th September 2021

Resolved: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 7th September 2021, having been taken as read, be approved and signed as a true and correct record by the Chairman.

24/21 Review of Regular Payments

A schedule of regular payments made by the Council on an annual basis, and by Standing Order and Direct Debit (excluding salaries) was reviewed and updated. It was noted that the list of ongoing payments would be used in preparing the draft Budget for revenue expenditure in 2022/23.

25/21 Action Plan 2022 – 2025

The draft Action Plan 2022 -25, highlighting levels of expenditure potentially required for service provision in 2022/23, was discussed. It was noted that potential expenditure estimates, as proposed for planned actions, had been used to inform the discussion draft of the Budget Statement 2022/23 to be considered under Agenda item 7.

26/21 Draft Budget and Precept 2022/23

The monitoring statement for period ending 30th September was discussed.

The draft budget proposals for the next financial year were then received and considered, and, taking account of levels of expenditure during the current financial year, as well as spending requirements likely to be carried forward during the next, a number of amendments were proposed. It was proposed to maintain the precept at current year levels to ensure adequate provision.

The council Tax Base and the calculations for band D equivalent properties are not yet available from CBMDC.

The intention of the committee is to maintain the charge to residents at the same rate as the previous year.

27/21 Exclusion of Press and Public

Resolved: That the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the consideration of the next items on the agenda (minutes 28 & 29 below) on the grounds that they relate to confidential contractual matters.

28/21 Review of Salaries & Contractor Costs

The schedule of salaries and contractor costs was presented and discussed.

Resolved to Recommend(1): That Council be invited to consider the Committee's proposals as regards salary and contractor arrangements in 2022/23.

29/21 Clerk Probation Review Meeting

This meeting to be conducted by Cllr Tennant at a mutually agreeable time and date before the end of the year.

30/21 Date of Next Meeting

The next Meeting of the Committee would be held 8th December 2021 at 6pm.

Meeting closed at 6.50pm.

Chairman