

MINUTES of the Special Meeting of **Bodmin Town Council** held on Thursday 24 January 2019 at 6.30 p.m. in the Shire House Suite, Shire House, Bodmin

PRESENT: The Deputy Mayor, Councillor J P Cooper, presiding, together with Councillors J A Bassett, P T Cooper, L L Frost, J R Gibbs, D A Henderson, A M Kerridge, K J Phillips, L F Sanders and K W Stubbs

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr S Facer (Town Clerk), Mrs Anne Banks (Responsible Finance Officer (RFO)), Mr R Davies (Parks and Open Spaces Manager (POSM)) and Mrs Beth Briggs (Senior Administration Assistant).

CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND APOLOGIES:

Apologies had been received from Councillors P Brown, J Gammon, S H Kinsman and P L G Skea.

The Town Clerk informed Members that Revd Canon Graham Minors' funeral would be held at 1.00 p.m. on Wednesday 30 January 2019.

		Action	Date
C/2019/20	<p>Declarations of Interest</p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>		
C/2019/21	<p>Public representation session</p> <p>There were no members of the public present.</p>		
C/2019/22	<p>To consider and, if approved, adopt the Minutes of the Finance, Staffing and Performance Management Committee Meeting held on 3 January 2019 (Budget) Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Draft Budget 2019/20 ➤ Draft Precept form 2019/20 ➤ Draft Earmarked Reserves 2019/20 <p>A copy of the minutes, Draft Budget, Draft Precept form and Draft Earmarked reserves were circulated with the agenda.</p> <p>It was noted that there was a minor error on page 5 of these minutes Line 558 – Parks and Open Spaces – Multi Use Ball Court refers. With the last line of this paragraph reading '<i>Any location rot his type of facility...</i>' where it should read '<i>Any location for this type of facility...</i>' The Town Clerk confirmed that this error would be corrected on the final version of the minutes.</p> <p>The Minutes of the Finance, Staffing and Performance Management Committee Meeting held on 3 January 2019 (Budget) Meeting were approved and passed for signing, subject to the minor amendment above.</p> <p>Councillors J A Bassett and K J Phillips and Bassett abstained</p>	SAA	25.01.19

	from voting on this item.		
C/2019/23	<p>Bodmin Town Council budget and precept 2019/20</p> <p>Following consideration of item C/2019/22 above and the Confidential Minutes of the FS&PM (Budget) Meeting held on 3 January 2019 (item C/2019/26), to formally agree the Council's precept for 2019/20 and to notify Cornwall Council accordingly:</p> <p>The RFO noted that documents (a) to (c) were the documents which had been produced from the FS&PM Committee Meeting (Budgets) held on 3 January 2019.</p> <p>a) Total Expenditure to cover operational costs £1,580,239</p> <p>b) Transfers to and from reserves, including earmarked reserves £84,351</p> <p>c) The Precept for the coming financial year £1,433,125</p> <p>The RFO commented that the precept for 2019/20 represented an increase of 8.72%, the equivalent of 50 pence per week on a Band D property.</p> <p>The RFO also highlighted the 9.4% reduction in the Council Tax Support Grant, equating to £7,602.89, which had an impact on the precept.</p> <p>Members hoped that, based on the objectives the Town Council is looking to achieve over the coming year, the 50p per week increase would be reflected in the delivery of service improvements, a range of projects with the benefits being felt by the community.</p> <p>The Town Clerk noted that the 2019/20 precept came out of six hours of deliberation by Members and had been carefully considered. He also noted that the Town Council precept forms a small proportion of the overall Council Tax paid by residents, who could refer to their Council Tax statement issued by Cornwall Council for more information.</p> <p>The RFO commented that the 2019/20 budget had been made public on the Town Council's website, giving members of the public the opportunity to feed back to councillors, staff, or to attend this meeting. She noted that the draft budget had also been shared before the 3 January Budget meeting.</p> <p>There was a discussion about producing a ball park figure of the cost of vandalism to the Town Council so that this could be communicated with public, as it was felt that this is a cost that the public should be aware of as it forms part of the precept rise and this money and staff time could be better</p>		

	utilised elsewhere across the councils services and other projects. The Town Clerk confirmed that a discussion around the most effective way to capture this information was on agenda for the Properties Committee meeting being held immediately after this meeting at 7.00 p.m.		
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Due to the confidential nature of the next business it was **RESOLVED** to go into Committee. Please see separate page.

MINUTES of the Special Meeting of **Bodmin Town Council** held on Thursday 24 January 2019 – **Continuation Sheet**

C/2019/28	<p>Following consideration of item C/2019/22 above and the Confidential Minutes of the FS&PM (Budget) Meeting held on 3 January 2019 (item C/2019/26), to formally agree the Council's precept for 2019/20 and to notify Cornwall Council accordingly:</p> <p>d) Total Expenditure to cover operational costs £1,580,239</p> <p>e) Transfers to and from reserves, including earmarked reserves £84,351</p> <p>f) The Precept for the coming financial year £1,433,125</p> <p>Following discussion, it was AGREED to formally adopt the Budget for 2019/20 as set out.</p>		
C/2019/29	<p>Questions to the Mayor</p> <p>There were no questions for the Mayor.</p>		

There being no further items for consideration, the meeting closed at 6.43 p.m.