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## DRAFT MINUTES FOR THE EXTRAORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 30<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Present: Cllr. Meads (Chair), Cllr. Dickin (Vice-Chair), Cllr. Green, Cllr. Shephard, Cllr. Spencer,

Cllr. Stansfield, Cllr. Lowden, Cllr Teasdale, and Cllr Trevarthern. Cllr J. Cruse (Cornwall

Council).

23-11 E/1 Apologies: None

Locum Clerk: Carolyn May

**23-11E/2 Declarations of Interest:** No declarations of interest, or gifts, were made.

## **AGENDA**

**23-11E/3** Public Forum – No Member of the public in attendance.

## 23-11E/4 BUDGET SETTING 2024/25

Members considered the income and expenditure for the financial year 2023/24 (to date). Attention was given to those heads of budget that would likely be exceeded by the end of the extant financial year.

Cllr Spencer was of the opinion that, for the 2024/25 financial year the grouping of some budget headings should be re-arranged, with some expenditure streams being amalgamated.

**23-11E/5** Discussions surrounding (inter alia) grant funding, and the potential cost of maintaining/improving the Institute were considered.

It was **agreed** that the following budget would be accepted for the 2024/25 Financial Year:

| Description   | Proposed 24/25 |
|---|----------------|
| Description Audits                                  | Budget<br>700  |
|   |                |
| Insurance (institute & green)                       | 600            |
| Subscriptions (CALC, NALC, CiLCa, NFN)              | 600            |
| Stationery/ Postage                                 | 300            |
| Office consumables (printer cartridges etc)         | 200            |
| Websites (BPC & Community)                          | 400            |
| Printing - poster/ leaflets etc                     | 100            |
| Cllr Training & travel expense                      | 300            |
| Advertising   | 100            |
| Mobile Telephone                                    | 200            |
| LMP   | 950            |
| Play Inspections                                    | 100            |
| Grass Cutting - Village Green & verges              | 3500           |
| Roads, signage & grit boxes                         | 500            |
| Tree Works  | 1000           |
| Institute & public toilets maintenance              | 700            |
| Institute WiFi                                      | 100            |
| Institute & Temple defib Electricity                | 1500           |
| Defibrillators support contract                     | 600            |
| S.137 Grants  | 2500           |
| Public convenience consumables                      | 200            |
| Water   | 250            |
| Salaries (Clerk, Cleaner, training, pensions, PAYE) | 25000          |
| Total   | 40400          |
|   |                |
| Reserves of £50,000 at 31-Mar-24                    |                |
| Less  |                |
| Earmarked reserves                                  | £              |
| Institute windows                                   | 20000          |
|   |                |
| Capital reserves (~£30,000)                         | £              |
| Tree works contingency                              | 2000           |
| Defib replacement contingency                       | 2000           |
| Elections   | 5000           |
| Total   | 9000           |

25-11E/6 Members considered the projected income streams for the 2024/25 Financial Year (detailed below). It agreed that, in order to meet the Parish Council's commitments and potential project costs, the Parish Precept should be raised by 8%, which amounts to the sum of £2,500.

It was **proposed** by Cllr Shephard, **seconded** by Cllr Stansfield and RESOLVED that the budget presented would be approved, and that the Parish Council precept would be raised by the sum of £2,500 (8%). Unanimous. **Carried.** 

## Projected Income for 2024/25 compared to 2023/24

| Income per annum | 2023/24 | 2025/25<br>8% precept increase |
|------------------|---------|--------------------------------|
| Precept          | 31000   | 33500                          |
| LMP              | 802     | 800                            |
| Institute        | 3000    | 3000                           |
| Donations        | 100     | 100                            |
| VAT refund       | 5000    | 5000                           |
|                  |         |                                |
|                  | 39902   | 42400                          |

The meeting closed at 16.10 hrs

