

# HELLESDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Property, Policy & Resources Committee held on  
Wednesday 21 January 2015 at 7pm in  
The Council Chamber, Diamond Jubilee Lodge, Hellesdon

## **PRESENT**

Mrs S Gurney – Chairman  
Mr A Adams                      Mr P Balcombe  
Mrs P Kirby - Parish Clerk

## **IN ATTENDANCE**

No other attendees

**Cllr Gurney opened the meeting and welcomed those present.**

### **1. Absence and Apologies for absence**

Cllr's Britcher, Hiestand, Jones-Blackett & Walsh - apologies received and accepted

### **2. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations**

None declared.

### **3. Approval of the minutes of the meeting held 16 December 2014**

The minutes, having previously been circulated, were approved by those members present at the held meeting and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

### **4. Public Participation**

No attendees

### **5. General Matters**

*Property Policy & Resources General*

5.1 – Budget and Precept 2015/2016

Revised figures and report was supplied in line with agreement of meeting 16 December 2014. The report indicated options to address saving however the need was to establish in respect of referring to a NIL increase if this was a NIL increase in precept or a NIL increase in Band D. The report presented figures for both cases and much discussion took place. It was with agreement that the desired approach was a NIL increase in Band D. The identified savings were addressed and it was agreed to reduce the purchase of the 20mph flashing signs identified for the parish partnership bid from 8 to 4. The additional saving measures were also accepted and accordingly reduced the Net Expenditure estimate and resulted in a required precept of £394370.00. However for a NIL increase in Band D the precept would need to reduce from its current level of £387286.00 to £381350.00..

It was with agreement that this should be achieved by support from the precept shortfall fund of an amount of £13020.00. Members requested such figure receives confirmation from BDC and that this is subsequently conveyed to all committee members. It was agreed to

**RECOMMEND** to the Council at the 3 February meeting a NIL increase in Band D which is a reduction in current precept from £387286.00 to £381350.00 and equates to a 1.53% decrease. The shortfall to be supported as identified from the difference between the 14/15 estimate and the accepted outturn figure, the funds held in the Parish Hall Car Park and Parish Hall Refurbishment funds and the Precept Shortfall fund. A copy of the detailed figures are attached.

Schedule of Earmarked Reserves.

It was with agreement that reference to a car park at Mountfield Park for such fund was not relevant and to remove this reference. It was also noted previously agreed expenditure required the moving of monies and subsequently the reduction in some funds however the funds had not been reduced in order to reconcile with the 31 December 2014 bank statement. It was agreed to

**RECOMMEND** to the Council at the 3 February meeting acceptance of the Financial Reserves Management Document

#### **6. Exchange of information**

The Clerk advised communication from BDC had been received indicating S106 money of £76650.00 is anticipated from the development known as Angus Mackay Court.

#### **7. Date time and venue of the next meeting**

It was agreed the next meeting would be set at the 3 February 2015 full council meeting.

**The meeting closed at 8.20pm.**