

HAMPTON-IN-ARDEN PARISH COUNCIL BUDGET MEETING

Held at

THE MEETING ROOM

On

WEDNESDAY 17 JANUARY 2018 AT 7:30PM

PRESENT

COUNCILLORS

Mr Mike Blomer (Chair)
Mr Tim Beresford (Vice Chair)
Mr John Doidge
Mr Dave Cuthbert
Mr David Sandells
Mr Ken Blanch
Mrs Cat Sellars
Mrs Vicky Woodall

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Mrs Julie Barnes
Mr Peter Green
Mrs Sharon Reed

18/01

CHAIR'S WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The chair welcomed everyone to the meeting, in particular Mr Peter Green and Mrs Sharon Reed. Apologies have been received from Councillor Alison Rolf.

18/02

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

18/03

RISK ASSESSMENT

Councillor Blomer confirmed:

- All insurances are up to date and premiums paid.
- RoSPA inspections of all play equipment were completed as required and any recommendations acted upon.
- In an attempt to prevent unauthorised access height restricting barriers to the recreation ground car park were installed and are fully operational.
- The most recent Tree Survey is regularly reviewed and work deemed necessary has been completed.

18/04

BUDGET SETTING FOR 2018/19

Councillor Blomer explained that all members had been provided with a draft budget in advance of the meeting for their consideration. The clerk had provided two options, one with a nil percentage increase and one with a two percentage increase on the current precept.

Councillors discussed the various headings within the budget and considered the possible further expenditure in the 2018/19 budget. Councillors Blanch and Doidge expressed a desire to include a figure of £20,000 to be set aside from the reserves towards the

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implementation of the road safety plan. All members agreed.

Councillor Cuthbert proposed that a nil percentage be applied to the 2018/19 budget. This was seconded by Councillor Sandells. The other 6 councillors disagreed given the various areas where the Parish Council would need to look to fund over the coming financial year and therefore Councillor Doidge proposed that a two percent increase be applied. This was seconded by Councillor Beresford and agreed by a total of 6 Councillors.

A two percent increase to the current precept will therefore be applied with a £20,000 draw down from reserves to supplement the current road safety plan. This was approved as **proposed by Councillor John Doidge and seconded by Councillor Tim Beresford** and carried with a majority vote. The clerk will notify SMBC.

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18/05 DATE OF NEXT MEETING
Budget Meeting: 9 January 2019

CLERK

Minutes taken, prepared and presented by Julie Barnes, Clerk
17/01/2018

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