

DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL BUDGET MEETING

Minutes of the budget meeting of Drayton Parish Council held on **Thursday 5th December 2024**, 7:00pm at King George V Pavilion, Drayton High Road, Drayton, Norwich, NR8 6AW.

Present: Cllrs. J. Anderson, G. Everett (Chair), H. Kisby, T. Lee and A. Taylor.

In attendance: Amy Pinkham: Parish Clerk & RFO, Rachel Catto: Deputy Clerk & Facilities Manager

Meeting opened: 7:00pm

MINUTES

1. APOLOGIES

a) To receive apologies and consider acceptance for absence.

Apologies received and accepted for Cllrs. A. Crotch, S. White, J. Edwards-Smith, K. Morgan, N. Quinsey and C. Brown.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

a) To receive declarations of interest on matters to be considered at the meeting and consider requests for dispensation.

None.

3. MINUTES

a) To note minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 14th November 2024 will be considered for approval at the meeting of the Council.

Noted.

4. PUBLIC FORUM

a) To receive any questions or comments from members of the public on matters on the agenda.

None.

5. FINANCIAL MATTERS

a) To receive the budget briefing [DPC1]

Council noted the report with no further comments or questions.

b) To consider the draft budget 2025-26 and make recommendations for amendment [DPC2].

It was noted that the 2025-26 Tax Base had been received from Broadland District Council and a later paper was circulated to reflect the updated Tax Base of 2042 from the previous estimate of 2000.

Considering the increased Tax Base, Council **AGREED** to establish an Earmarked Reserve for Allotments in the amount of £2,000.00 to prepare for the transfer of allotments for the Church Farm Development.

Council **AGREED** to recommend for approval at the January meeting of the Council a 2025-26 budget of £262,389.49, including planned expenditure and reserve transfers.

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Taking into account anticipated income and use of General Reserves, Council **AGREED** to recommend for approval at the January meeting of the Council a precept of £209,784.00 equating to a 3.2% or £3.19 increase for a Band D property.

6. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

a) To note any other matters raised.

It was noted that the Council could consider a later date for the budget meeting moving forward to increase the likelihood of receipt of the Tax Base in time for the meeting.

7. UPCOMING MEETING DATES

Parish Council Meeting Thursday 12th December 2024

Meeting closed: 7:23pm.

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