



**Sandhurst Parish Council**  
**Minutes of the precept meeting held on**  
**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2018 at 19.00**

**Present:**

**Councillors in attendance:** Mr D Leggett (DL) – Acting Chairman, Mrs E Merritt (EM), Mr A Kerry (AK), Mrs K O'Brien (KB) arrived at 19.15, Mr M Cope (MC), Mr C Robinson (CR), Ms J Oliphant-Robertson (JOR)

**Councillors not in attendance:** Mr T Hannocks (TH), Cllr H Phillips (HP)

**Members of the Public:** None.

**Clerk:** Lisa Hale (LH).

**RFO:** Alan Crocker (AC)

	Item	Action
1	<p><b>To accept apologies for absence.</b></p> <p>Cllr T Hannocks sent his apologies for absence. The reasons for absence were noted by the Clerk.</p>	
2	<p><b>Declarations of Interest on items on the agenda.</b></p> <p>The Acting Chairman asked if there were any interests to declare.</p> <p>EM declared an interest in her employment as cleaner of the OSH, Pavilion and Sports Ground toilet and AK declared an interest in Sandhurst Football Club.</p>	
3	<p><b>Following receipt of the written request, grant the dispensation for all councillors to discuss the TWBC site allocations as a closed agenda item at the Full Council Meeting on the 12<sup>th</sup> December 2018.</b></p> <p>The Clerk confirmed receipt of the written dispensation request dated the 23rd<sup>h</sup> November 2018 from the Chairman, Councillor Hannocks.</p> <p>The Clerk granted the dispensation until the 4<sup>th</sup> May 2019. The Dispensation allows all Sandhurst Parish councillors to take part in discussions and voting on the TWBC site allocations, apart from Councillor Kerry who can take part in all discussions and voting with the exception of discussions relating to the ownership of his late site 11 in the plan.</p>	
4	<p><b>Discuss and agree on a date for members of the council to attend a meeting with TWBC Planning Department to hold ongoing discussions on the draft site allocations.</b></p> <p>After a discussion it was agreed that LH would contact TWBC planning Department and ask if the parish Council could attend a workshop meeting on at 9.30am on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2018 in order to hold additional discussions on the draft site allocations. They following councillors confirmed their availability: EM, MC, TH, DL and possibly JOR.</p>	LH
5	<p><b>To agree a provisional precept for 2019/2020.</b></p> <p>CR/DL explained that they had reviewed the draft precept prepared by LH/AC and made a few amendments which would be discussed tonight. LH distributed copies of the revised draft precept for 2019/2020.</p> <p>The draft precept spreadsheet for 2019/2020 was discussed in depth and amended when required by CR. The calculated expenditure for next year's precept was calculated at approximately £13,000 more than the current precept.</p>	

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	<p>CR proposed that the precept for 2019/2020 should be set at £67, 500. The precept for 2018/2019 was £56,913. This is a 18.6% increase and would add approximately £16.45 a year to a band D household.</p> <p>KOB felt that the increase in the precept for 2019/2020 was very significant. The rest of the council agreed with the proposed precept figure of £67,500 in principle.</p> <p>DL confirmed that a final precept amount for 2019/2020 would be approved at the Full Council Meeting in January 2019.</p> <p>CR asked for LH to request a grass and hedge maintenance schedule from the contractor in order for AC to check invoices against.</p>	<b>LH</b>
	<p><b>Date of next meeting.</b></p> <p>The next Full Parish Council meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2018 in the OSH, Sandhurst at 19.30.</p> <p>The meeting closed at 20.00</p>	

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