

ST BRIDES MINOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL CYNGOR CYMUNED LLANDSANTFFRAID

MINUTES OF A PRECEPT MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD AT THE SARN CENTRE ON MONDAY 11th DECEMBER 2017 AT 6.00 PM

Present: Councillor F Watkins (Vice-Chair)

Councillors: S Hyde D Lewis J Lewis M Nott Y Nott G Thomas M Williams

Apologies for Absence were received from: Councillors S Dobbs, P Harris, E Jones, J Phillips and L Richards

Also Present: Mrs A C Harris, Clerk & RFO

1P/17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following interests were declared:

Councillor	Item	Interest
Mr D Lewis	All Bridgend County Borough Matters	Member BCBC
Mrs J Lewis	All Bridgend County Borough Matters Sarn Life Long Learning Centre	Member BCBC Committee Member
Mrs Y Nott	Sarn Life Long Learning Centre	Committee Member
Mr G Thomas	All Bridgend County Borough Matters	Member BCBC
Ms F Watkins	Sarn Life Long Learning Centre	Committee Member

2P/17 TO DISCUSS AND DETERMINE THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL'S 2018/19 PRECEPT REQUIREMENT

RESOLVED:

The Clerk presented the Members with two documents, a forecast for the year 2017/18 to 31st March 2018 and a proposed precept budget estimate for 2018/19.

The proposed precept budget estimate for 2018/19 detailed the cost of last year's budget, the estimate cost for 2018/19, the variances and an explanatory commentary. A budget of £73,355 would be needed to cover costs. It was agreed to remove the byelection costs out of the budget thus reducing the election costs by £3,000, to approve the grass cutting and floral display cut backs and it was agreed that the Clerk would carry out the pay roll work. These changes would reduce the budget to £70,355.

Councillor M Nott proposed, and Councillor G Thomas seconded the proposal, of requesting a precept for the same amount as last year of £51,365 from BCBC and to make up the difference with money held in reserve i.e. £16,436, and other income of £2,555. This was unanimously approved and agreed, but it was noted that in the following year's budget using the reserve would not be an option.

The requested precept figure of £51,365 would result in a Band D equivalent charge of £23.20 per year, a decrease of £0.06p per year on 2017/18.

3P/17 OTHER MATTERS ARISING

RESOLVED:

It was agreed that as memberships, library and grass costs etc. become due for renewal in the year each item would be considered by the Finance Committee to make recommendations to the Full Council for approval.

It was agreed that the remainder of the selection boxes be donated to the local nurseries.

Councillor G Thomas was asked to look into why the Christmas lights on the Memorial Hall tree were not working.

4P/17 DATE & VENUE FOR THE NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED:

That the Council will next meet for the next Ordinary Council Meeting at Sarn Centre on 8th January 2018 at 6.00 pm

With there being no further matters to discuss the Chair thanked Members for their attendance and closed the Meeting at 6.55 pm