

# THURLESTONE PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of Parish Council Meeting

Date: 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2021		Venue & Time: Zoom, 19.30 hrs
<b>Present:</b> Cllr Kit Marshall Cllr Charlie Mitchelmore Cllr Jill Munn Cllr Jack Rhymes (in the chair)	<b>In Attendance:</b> Kathy Harrod (Parish Clerk)  SHDC Cllr Mark Long  Parishioners/guests 0	<b>Apologies:</b> Cllr Sue Crowther Cllr Nigel Hurrell Cllr Sian Williams SHDC Cllr Judy Pearce Dist. Cllr Rufus Gilbert

REF 2021/22 MINUTES

### 1 WELCOME & APOLOGIES

### 2 To receive any amendments necessary to Members' Registers of Interests.

There were no amendments.

### 3 Finance & Governance:

#### a) 2022/23 Budget & Precept

1. The monthly accounts always show the Council's spend to date in the financial year. In December/January the Parish Council uses this information to estimate and assess the projected outturn spend for the year. This then gives the Council a likely carry forward figure for the next financial year and informs the precept discussions.
2. The meeting therefore reviewed the year-to-date financial position and worked through the modelling supplied by the Clerk to assure itself of the validity of the projected outturn.
3. The meeting then considered the commitments, inflationary pressures and the likely increase in services needing to be both provided and funded locally.
4. It was resolved that the Clerk salary should commence employment at spinal column point 23 and a new PAYE agreement should be initiated with South Hams District Council.
5. The Councillors further resolved that subscriptions with the Information Commissioners Office and the Society of Local Council Clerks be arranged.
6. The Council Tax Support Grant (CTSG) from SHDC has been removed entirely and the base band D on which precept calculations are based has increased from 753.79 to 780.10.
7. The meeting noted that the Government has decided to defer the setting of council tax referendum principles to town and parish councils for 2022/23. However it has again issued a challenge to those councils to demonstrate restraint when increasing precepts that are not a direct result of taking on additional responsibilities.
8. With proposed annual expenditure reaching £32,705 the Council concluded that they needed to increase the precept to £33,000 so the average household will pay £42.30 per year (i.e.: £0.81p per week). This will mean our budget increases by £3,000 allowing us to fund the costs of more benefits to the community and any services devolved from County or District etc.
9. A proposal was made to request a precept level of £33,000 as per the above information.  
**Proposed by Cllr Munn, seconded by Cllr Marshall, approved unanimously.**

### 4 At 19.47 hrs the Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and declared the meeting closed

Next Meeting Dates – These meetings will take place only if it is considered Covid safe:

- 7<sup>th</sup> February, 7.30pm, Thurlestone Parish Hall.

Signed as a true record: \_\_\_\_\_

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Agenda Items and Updates; where possible please submit to the Clerk by the last Monday in the month to ensure time for inclusion, circulation, and study. If a Council Member is unable to attend a meeting it would be appreciated if they could submit a brief précis of progress on their actions, if applicable, (to the Clerk for distribution) together with their apologies.

**Distribution List** : Cllrs Crowther, Hurrell, Marshall, Mitchelmore, Munn, Rhymes & Williams. **For Information to:** County Cllr R Gilbert, Dist. Cllr Judy Pearce, Dist. Cllr Mark Long, 3 Parish Council Notice Boards

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