

# Precept Meeting Minutes of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2021 at 7.00pm, via Zoom

**Attendees:** Councillors – Cllr Hulme (Chair), Cllr Bell (Vice-Chair), Cllr Wilkinson & Cllr Pearce – S Morgan-Owen (Clerk)

#### 1. Chair's Welcome:

#### 2. Apologies Received from:

Cllr Tigger	Dispensation granted June 2021
Cllr Flunder	Other Commitments
Cllr Peck	Unwell
Cllr Akerman	Unwell
Cllr Buckley	Unwell
Cllr McCormack	Reason not provided
Cllr Stubbs	No longer has the facility to remote meet

#### **3. Declaration of Interest:** In addition to the normal:

Cllr Hulme	Christmas Lights
Cllr Wilkinson	Hollington Village Hall

## 4. 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Contracts:

- **4.1 Floral Displays:** Recommendation to continue but asked if more trailing foliage can be put in to hide baskets.
- **4.2 Lengthsmans Contract:** Renewal of contract agreed to June 2023 after next election agreed in October 2021. However, Cllr Bell would like to put a recommendation with support to increase the hourly rate of the Lengthsman to £15 and back date it to 22<sup>nd</sup> December as this should have been agreed at the December (cancelled) meeting.

All attending councillors in favour of this recommendation

#### 5. 2022/2023 Precept Requirements:

Recommendation made to NOT increase the annual precept this year and opt of a 0% increase. *All attending councillors in favour of this recommendation* 

### 6. 2022/2023 Budget Planning:

All councillors in favour of the below recommendation.

	2022-2023 Precept Budget					
			In I	ine with election timeline		
		0% Increase £68,695.54		1% Increase £69,382.76		Agreed
Rates for Cemetery	£	600.00	£	600.00	£	600.00
Cemetery Skip	£	700.00	£	700.00	£	700.00
War Memorials	£	=	£	-	£	-
Equipment Hire / Sub Contract Works	£	150.00	£	150.00	£	150.00
Lengthsman / Grasscutting	£	13,200.00	£	13,200.00	£	13,200.00
Litterpicker	£	3,990.00	£	3,990.00	£	3,990.00



Clerks Salary	£	10,500.00	£	10,500.00	£	10,500.00
Clerk/Admin Expenses	£	5,500.00	£	5,500.00	£	5,500.00
Donations / Gifts	£	400.00	£	400.00	£	400.00
Meetings at Village Hall	£	250.00	£	250.00	£	250.00
Projects	£	6,000.00	£	6,324.00	£	6,000.00
Contribution to Village Halls	£	300.00	£	300.00	£	300.00
Youth Project	£	2,500.00	£	2,500.00	£	2,500.00
Hollington	£	200.00	£	200.00	£	200.00
Tean Recreation Ground	£	335.00	£	335.00	£	335.00
Tean High Street	£	4,500.00	£	4,500.00	£	4,500.00
Well Meadow Garden	£	50.00	£	80.00	£	50.00
Checkley	£	200.00	£	200.00	£	200.00
Cemeteries (inc Hedges)	£	200.00	£	200.00	£	200.00
Public Steet Lighting & High St Power	£	1,000.00	£	1,100.00	£	1,000.00
The Wentlows	£	50.00	£	53.00	£	50.00
Play Equipment / Inspection	£	270.00	£	500.00	£	270.00
Elections	£	-	£	-	£	-
GWH	£	800.00	£	800.00	£	800.00
GWH Purchase	£	17,000.00	£	17,000.00	£	17,000.00
Sub Total (Exc VAT)	£	68,695.00	£	69,382.00	£	68,695.00

All 4 Councillors were in favour of this budget allocation however, this will be proposed at the monthly meeting 18<sup>th</sup> January 2022

## 7. Earmarked Reserves:

All councillors in favour of the below recommendation of ring-fenced reserves.

Project	Earmarked	Completed	Balance
Heritage Trail Project (Cllr Buckley)	£ 1,700.00		£ 1,700.00
Fence around Wentlows Play Equipment	£ 4,000.00		£ 4,000.00
Cemetery Fund (extension, pathways etc)	£ 15,000.00		£ 15,000.00
Greatwood Hall Meeting Accessibility	£ 2,000.00		£ 2,000.00
Accessibility Path (Tean Rec) (Cllr Bell)	£ 10,000.00	£ 4,874.00	£ 5,126.00
Jubilee Community Celebration	£ 4,000.00		£ 3,800.00
Hollington Village Hall Project (Cllr Wilkinson)	£ 16,000.00	£ 12,471.34	£ 3,528.66
Solicitors Fee's GWH Project	£ 4,000.00	£ 4,173.00	-£ 173.00
Christmas Lights Improvements	£ 2,000.00		£ 2,000.00
Floral Display Additions	£ 1,000.00		£ 1,000.00
Completion and Referendum of NDP (Cllr Flunder)	£ 7,000.00	£ 5,355.00	£ 1,645.00
Total Amount Earmarked	£ 66,700.00	£ 26,873.34	£ 39,626.66

Cllr Hulme advised that an events meeting is scheduled for 27<sup>th</sup> January to discuss a Jubilee event.

#### 8. Cemeteries Fees

All councillors would like to recommend a zero increase on cemetery fees.

## Meeting Closed 20.00

	I hereby state this is a correct account of the monthly meeting held by Checkley Parish Council.
Signed: (	Chair)
Date:	