

**PRINCES RISBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 10th JANUARY 2017 IN THE PRINCES CENTRE,
CLIFFORD ROAD, PRINCES RISBOROUGH AT 6.45PM**

PRESENT

Cllr M Walsh – Chairman
Cllrs P Summerbell, A Ball, A Turner, J Coombs and I McLauchlan
Susanne Griffiths – Clerk to the Town Council
1 member of the public

1. TO RECEIVE, NOTE AND AGREE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

RESOLVED: To receive, note and accept the following apologies from Councillors for non-attendance at the meeting. The Town Clerk reported that apologies had been received from Cllr. D Knights and A Rolfe who have work commitments, Cllr. N Chadzynski who has a family commitment and G Hall who is on holiday.

2. MINUTES

Resolved: To agree as a correct record, the Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 29th November, 2016.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were asked to declare any pecuniary or non-pecuniary declarations of interest and the nature of that interest which they may have in any of the items under consideration at this meeting. None were declared.

4. FORMAL AGREEMENT OF THE BUDGETS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2017/2018 AND SETTING THE PRECEPT ACCORDINGLY

Draft budget and precept papers for 2017/18 had been circulated to the members prior to the meeting. The Chairman of the Finance Committee Cllr I McLauchlan explained that a precept increase of just under 3.85% was being sought for 2017/18 and proposed that the Council approve the Finance Committee recommendation for the budget and a request for a precept of £345,702.00. Cllr A Ball seconded the proposal. A vote was taken and **all present agreed.**

Resolved: To approve the budget (Appendix 1) and request a precept of £345,702.00 SG

5. APPROVAL OF AN EXTENSION TO THE CLOSING DATE FOR THE TENDER FOR LED LIGHTS ON THE CONTRACT FINDERS WEBSITE

Due to technical difficulties with placing the tender document on the website, all present agreed to extend the closing date for the tenders to be received to 31st March 2017. SG

6. THE TOWN COUNCIL'S POSITION ON A MEMORANDUM WITH NETWORK RAIL CONCERNING AN UNDERPASS AT WADES PARK.

Cllr M Walsh proposed the following position -The Town Council is supportive of the delivery of the underpass from Wades Park to the new development, and will use its land ownership of Wades Park to facilitate that delivery. It would not be looking for any financial gain from this – but also expect that it will not be out of pocket, with any reasonable fees being paid by the project.

The Town Council has not yet finished its masterplan for Wades Park, and would need any new alignment of the public right of way to be located in a way that does not limit the ability of the Park to be used for formal pitch provision.

The Town Council expect to be involved in any Memorandum of Understanding or similar agreements with the other parties, and look forward to taking an active and positive role in delivering the project.

Seconded by Cllr A Turner. All present agreed. The Clerk is requested to advise the Head of Planning and Sustainability at Wycombe District Council. SG

Resolved: To adopt the above position concerning a proposed underpass at Wades Park.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

The next meeting of the Town Council will take place on Tuesday 31st January 2017 at 7.00pm in the Princes Centre, Clifford Road, Princes Risborough.

There being no further business to discuss the Meeting closed at 7.00 pm

Chairman..... Date.....

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