



Item 11b

Minutes of 2022 – 23 Budget and Precept meeting on the 6th January 2022

Virtual Meeting during the Covid 19 Restrictions

Present:

Cllr Mike Elgin (Mayor)
Cllr Jackie Burnham
Cllr Charlotte Connolly
Cllr Syd Gaskin
Cllr Mike Kermode
Cllr Gareth Rowlands
Cllr Andrew Smith
Cllr Bleddyn Williams
Town Clerk
Project Officer

1. Apologies

2. Declaration of Interest

None given

3. Urgent Matters

None

5. Setting the Precept for 2022/23

The Town Clerk had distributed a spreadsheet to each Member and went through the various budget lines one by one asking Members for their comments and/or agreement to each line.

There were 5 new budget proposals – Speed Indication Devices, Printer / Scanner, Defibrillators, Dog Bags, Car Park fees to Denbighshire County Council once car parking initiative has been set up.

The following amendments were agreed on:

- Move the defibrillators budget from revenue to capital budget. Also, this budget to be reduced from £7,060 to £3,500 which is ample for purchase and installation of 2 defibrillators.
- Section 137 Other Expenditure budget to be deleted. There are three other Section 137 budgets which can be used.

- Re-name the Blodeuo budget to Green Communities Projects. Allocate £1,500 of the £3,000 budget as match funding for potential grant applications
- New Cemetery budget to be reduced from £5,000 to £2,500. This should be enough to enable research work to be carried out on possible locations for new cemetery.
- Business Group budget of £1,000 to be deleted due to lack of interest

The Town Clerk informed Members that the reconciliation of Council accounts at 06/01/2022 showed that the Deposit Account had £82,700 and the Current Account had £94,149. When all up to date commitments are accounted for, this leaves a sum of £133,609.

A grant is to be reclaimed from the County Council for the awnings which is £32,986 plus a VAT Reclaim can be submitted.

Four options of precept were presented for Band D households for discussion. After some discussion, members unanimously agreed that the cost per Band D per household should remain at **£98.87**, the same figure as last year.

The budget is set at £230,040

The amount to come out of balances = £60,760

Precept is set at £169,280 divided by 1712 Households = £98.87