

WELNEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extra-ordinary meeting of Welney Parish Council held at the William Marshall Centre, Hurn Drove, Welney on Tuesday 23 January 2018 at 7.30 pm.

Present:

Parish Councillors

Cllr G Rainbird (Chairman)
Cllr P Edmunds (Vice)
Cllr K Goodger
Cllr P Gardiner
Cllr D Denyer
Cllr L Bombata

District Councillors

County Councillors

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1. Apologies for Absence
Cllr M Barker

2. Declaration of Interests
None

3. (a) Public Participation

(b) Comments from District/County Councillors

No comments

4. Rescind motion passed on 03/01/2018 about Precept

Due to new information obtained a submission had been received, supported by the necessary number of councillors (3), asking for the motion passed on the 3rd of January 2018 to be rescinded.

It was thought that there is a cap on the increase that can be applied to the precept by Parish Councils. This has now been established not to be so.

It has therefore been considered prudent to re-debate the precept setting so that other needs within the Parish can be brought back into consideration and the precept set accordingly

Votes were cast on the motion to rescind the precept set at the meeting held on the 3rd of January 2018. Proposed by Cllr Bombata, seconded by Cllr Rainbird, Passed unanimously.

5. Finance

(a) Agree Payments Due

The following invoices were agreed for payment by cheque and/or Direct Debit

LSL – Part-payment for Car Park work **£25,177.50**

Moved by Cllr Bombata to pay, seconded by Cllr Denyer. Carried Unanimously.

(b) Precept

Cllr Bombata presented a breakdown of the re-calculated precept figures showing how much is needed to cover the needs of the WPC for the financial year 2018/2019. Including some items that were previously left out at the 03/01/2018 meeting,

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Cllr Goodger did not think the broadband and CCTV should be considered for now as it is costly.

The consensus was that the amount suggested as contingency should be reduced,

The amount allocated for training of councillors should be re-allocated for training the clerk.

It was also suggested that the precept increase should not be too much and that, if need be, the council might approach Williams Marshall Charity for help,

After various discussions with different figures arrived at from just over £18,000 based on needs to a cap of £15,000 (suggested by Cllrs Goodger and Bombata) regardless of need.

A majority agreement was reached to defer some of the items on the list and set the figure at £16,317.15 of which precept will be £16,077,15 and the Council Tax support grant will be £240.00. Proposed by Cllr Bombata, seconded by Cllr Rainbird. This was carried by a majority vote of 4 for and 2 against.

Meeting closed at 21.00

Signed **Date**.....