



Full Council
Thursday 14 January 2016 at 7pm

Present: Councillors G Bell, M Emmerson, C Clark, Mrs. W Clark, J Dawson, C Harbron, R G Heseltine, P Madeley, Mrs. P Heseltine, A Hickman, E Jaquin, Mrs. K McIntyre, Rankine & P Whitaker.

Officers: Dave Parker (Chief Officer), Jill Peacock (Administration and Finance Officer), Brett Butler (Town Centre Manager) & Wendy Allsopp (Administration Assistant).

In attendance: Lesley Tate (Press - Craven Herald & Pioneer)

1. To accept representations from the Public between 7.00 pm and 7.15 pm.

None.

2. To accept apologies for absence.

Apologies were accepted from Councillor C Dow due to work commitments.

3. To record declarations of pecuniary and non pecuniary interests items on the agenda.

None.

4. To consider the recommendations of the Chief Officer relating to requests for dispensations to Members on items requiring a declaration of pecuniary and non pecuniary interests.

None.

5. To approve the minutes from the Full Council meeting held on 19 November 2015.

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes from the Full Council meeting held on 19 November 2015 as a true and accurate record of what transpired at that meeting.

6. To report and receive information arising from the minutes of items not on the agenda from Members and the Chief Officer.

The formation of a Council Complaints Panel had been delayed until after the by-election scheduled for Thursday 21 January to allow all member to be considered.

7. To receive and consider minutes, recommendations and reports of the Environment and Planning Committee.

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the Environment and Planning Committee meeting held on the 22 October 2015 as a true and accurate record of what transpired at that meeting.

8. To receive and consider minutes, recommendations and reports of the Public Services Committee.

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the Public Services Committee meeting held on the 5 November 2015 as a true and accurate record of what transpired at that meeting subject to one minor typing error.

9. To receive and consider minutes, recommendations and reports of the Finance and Policy Committee.

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the Finance and Policy Committee meeting held on the 15 October 2015 as a true and accurate record of what transpired at that meeting.

10. To receive a report of the Mayoral Engagements for November 2015 until January 2016.

The Mayor, Councillor Bell, asked Members to note the engagements which he had attended.

11. To consider and approve the Council's budget for 2016 – 2017 and to set the level of Precept.

The Chief Officer presented his report.

Members **RESOLVED** to accept the recommendations in the report as follows:

- Set the Council's Precept for 2016-2017 in the sum of **£440,140** and; instruct the Chief Officer to advise the Billing Authority (Craven District Council) of the Council's requirements.
- Increase the rental charge for a full-sized allotment plot from £69 per annum to £75 per annum with effect from 1st October 2016.
- Increase the charge for the use of Council owned grazing land at Greatwood to £170 per annum.

- Increase the charge for the use of Council owned grazing land at Carleton Road to £230 per annum.
- Transfer £14,420 from the Central Government Grant Reserve and close that reserve account.
- Transfer £5,500 from the Service Contingency Reserve and close that reserve account.
- Transfer £1,000 from the BID Project Funding Reserve and close that reserve account.
- Transfer £1,158 to the Town Centre Revenue Reserve.
- Transfer £5,150 to the Recreation Ground Refurbishment Programme Reserve.
- Create a Holy Trinity Churchyard Wall Reserve with an opening balance of £25,000.
- Create an Election Costs Reserve with an opening balance of £5,000.

12. Questions for the Leader of the Council.

None.

13. To receive notification of matters that members would like including on a future agenda.

None.

The meeting closed at 8.05 pm