

**MINUTES OF BLIDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL BUDGET MEETING HELD AT 7.30PM ON WEDNESDAY 6 JANUARY 2016 AT BLIDWORTH COMMUNITY LEISURE CENTRE .**

**PRESENT**

T Hurst – Chair

Mrs K Arnold

B Bates Snr

Mrs E Hurst

Ms H Warren

Mrs Y Woodhead ( 7.50 )

G Stocks - Clerk

Also in Attendance – Miss A Spalding

**Chair welcomed everyone , then asked if all mobile phone / Tape Recorders could be switched to silent .**

**He then reminded Members about Standards & Code of Conduct & to state if they have any conflicts of interest in any Council business on the Agenda .**

**1. Apologies for Absence – B Bates Jnr (Meeting ) , J Cheesmond (Holiday) & K Cocker (Delayed in traffic ) .**

**2 . Declarations to be made by any Member more than two months in arrears of Council Tax who must Declare an Interest and refrain from voting - None**

**3.To Agree on a Dispensation to allow ALL Members to vote on the setting of the Precept – Cllr Mrs E Hurst Proposed & Cllr Ms H Warren Seconded approval which was Agreed Unanimously ) .**

**4 .Review of Expenditure & Income to Date & Forecast Outturn for Year 2015.16 .**

**Expenditure Forecast - £71,650 , Income Forecast £82,500 – Surplus £10,850 .**

**The main Expenditure savings have arisen from the HMRC Employment Allowance Re Employees Class 1 National Insurance Contributions , £1,990 , Xmas Lights , £1,250 Election Costs , Parks £750 , Wages £1,000 & Loan £3,140 & VAT £880 .**

**The Probable Income Budget was down £5,520 , due to Memorial Planter £590 , VAT £1,690 & Loan £2,970 .**

**2016/17 Estimates - Expenditure : Total £68,560 – major variances – Election Costs - (£1,750) , Wages + £2,500 , Grants – (£1,300 ) , Loans – ( £3,140 ) ,**

**Income : Total £80,150 – major variances – Precept + £3,420 , Loan - £3,300 , CT Supp. Grant –£2770 , Fair +£300 .**

**It was Unanimously Agreed that the Grants Budget for 2016/17 be £1,000 with max Grant given per applicant of £250 – the Grant Application Form needs amending a.s.a.p. .**

**It was also Agreed that Clerk write to Julian to ask for written confirmation as to when he decides to retire later this year , to allow us to make necessary plans for his replacement .**

**5 . Financial Planning for Year - Chair then Proposed & it was unanimously approved the 2016/17 Precept be £71,880 + CT Support Grant £2,780 .**

**Meeting closed at 9.45pm .**