

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CALNE WITHOUT PARISH COUNCIL FINANCE COMMITTEE
HELD AT LANSDOWNE HALL, DERRY HILL
MONDAY 4th DECEMBER 2023

CALNE WITHOUT COUNCILLOR ATTENDANCE

Present (P): Apologies (A): Did Not Attend (X)

Doug Price (Chair)	P	John Barnes	P	Pauline Crane	X
Rob Hislop	X	Bruce MacInnes	X	Ioan Rees	P
Keith Robbins	P				

77/23/FC Apologies

To receive apologies.

No apologies received,

78/23/FC Public participation/ Correspondence

1.1 Public participation

Opportunity for members of the public to address the Committee.

1.2 Correspondence

For the Clerk to report any correspondence not circulated.

No members of the public in attendance.

79/23/FC. Declarations of Interest

Declarations from Councillors of any disclosable pecuniary interest (Standing Orders 13b) or other interest (Standing Orders 13c) in respect of matters being considered by the Council.

No declarations made.

80/23/FC. Chairman Announcements

There were no chairman announcements.

81/23/FC. Minutes

Recommendation: That the Committee approve the [Minutes](#) of the meeting held on 25th September 2023 as a true and fair reflection of the motions agreed by the Committee and the discussion that took place and that these be signed by the Chairman as such.

It was resolved by majority that the minutes were a true and fair reflection of the meeting on 25th September 2023.

81/23/FC. Q3 budget review;

To review the [mid Q3 budget](#) position.

Recommendation the committee review the budget position and determine any amendments needed to the budget allocations.

The clerk provided a summary of the report and invited questions.

The positive benefits of scribe, with its time saving and clear reports was commented upon.

The committee noted the update.

82/23/FC. Draft Budget

Amended [draft budget](#) and [report](#) circulated for review.

Recommendation The committee consider the draft budget figure of £32751.29 against the draft tax base figures provided from Wiltshire Council and discuss any amendments required prior to submission to full council.

The committee discussed the budget as presented by the RFO and went through it line by line and made amendments where required.

Proposal; to set the budget at **£36683.23** but to keep the precept request at last years level of **£21.72**. We propose to request a precept of £32752.89 and to fund the difference from the interest gained on the money in the savings accounts. The interest projection this year is approx. £6000 so this £3931.94 difference is a fraction of the interest payments expected.

It was unanimous approved to set the budget at £36683.23 and to request a precept at a level to keep the band d equivalent of £21.72.

83/23/FC. Bank savings accounts

Committee to receive a [report](#) from the RFO on movement of financial assets and consider its recommendations.

Recommendation; that the committee consider the report and agree the next steps re the investments of council funds.

Proposal to bring down to whatever it takes to bring Lloyds down to £85000

It was unanimously resolved to move money from the Lloyds bank treasurers account to the Bath building society to bring the amount in the Lloyds Bank accounts to below £85000.

84/23/FC. Asset Condition and Maintenance

Committee to receive an update on asset maintenance and to make arrangements for this years asset condition survey. Reference to last years asset [review](#).

There was a discussion on the Well House and potential works required.

It was unanimously resolved to engage Wiltshire Historic Buildings Trust to complete a condition survey.

It was agreed to ask for volunteers from each ward to go around and check the assets,

The meeting closed at 20.52