

MINSTER PARISH COUNCIL

POLICY & FINANCE COMMITTEE

**Minutes of the Committee meeting held on Wednesday 4th January 2023
At the Parish Office, John Spanton Sports Pavilion, St. Mildreds Road, Minster at 11am.**

Present: Councillors Quittenden, Dr. Jones, Crow-Brown, Mills.

In Attendance: Kyla Lamb (Clerk/RFO), Clare Wilsdon (Assistant Clerk), Cllr Gimes (Ex Officio)

206. APOLOGIES

No apologies were received.

207. MEMBERS' INTERESTS

There were no declaration of interests registered.

208. MINUTES

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 17 May 2022 be approved and signed by the Chairman.

209. FEES & CHARGES 2023/24

Members considered the proposed increase in fees. The Clerk reported that the cemetery fees for Thanet District Council have not yet been considered by Thanet District council and suggested that this should be deferred for review at the February 2023 Council meeting.

RECOMMENDED: That the fees and charges be set at the levels contained within the report attached to the minutes, and that the cemetery fees increase be considered at the March Meeting when consideration can be given to the fees set by Thanet District Council.

210. BUDGET PROCESS 2023/24

RECOMMENDED: (i) That the staff's salaries be increased by 5%; and (ii) that Council approves the draft budget as submitted and to request from TDC a Precept sum of £92,696 for the year 2023/24, this would give an Increase of £1.98 pence per annum which represents an annual charge of £69.57 pence (£67.59 2022/23) or £1.98 pence per week on a Band D property or 2.93% increase per annum on a band D property;

Chairman of the Committee

Meeting closed at 11.40 am