

MINSTER PARISH COUNCIL

POLICY & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Committee meeting held on Wednesday 20th December 2023

At the John Spanton Sports Pavilion, St. Mildreds Road, Minster at 10 am.

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

In Attendance: Kyla Lamb (Clerk/RFO)

263. APOLOGIES

No apologies were received.

264. MEMBERS' INTERESTS

There were no declaration of interests registered.

265. MINUTES

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 30th May 2023 be approved and signed by the Chairman.

266. FEES & CHARGES 2024/25

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 or March 2024 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.

267. BUDGET PROCESS 2024/25

RECOMMENDED: (i) That the staff's salaries be increased as per the budget and the Assistant Clerk also has a 1 spinal point increment to 26; and (ii) that Council approves the draft budget as submitted and to request from TDC a Precept sum of £98,599 for the year 2024/25 with a budget of £220,727, this would give an Increase of £3.33 pence per annum which represents an annual charge of £72.90 pence (£69.57 2023/24) or 4.78% increase per annum on a band D property.

Chairman of the Committee

Meeting closed at 10.12 am