

Meeting of Charlbury Town Council held on Wednesday December 12th 2018 at 8.00pm in the Corner House.

Members Present: Mr P Kenrick (Chairman), Mr R Prew, Mrs J Burroughs, Mr V Hill,
Mr R N Potter, Mr P Morgan, Mrs N Ely, Mr R Puttick, Mr R Fairhurst,
Mrs K Broughton.

Apologies: Dr A Merry.

The Clerk was thanked by the Chairman for producing the figures and notes accompanying the budget paper proposed by the Finance group. He also mentioned the paper produced which demonstrated the successes of the Council over previous years - some achieved by loans and others by accruing funds over time.

He went on to say that he would take the budget/precept paper page by page and deal with issues as they arise.

1. To consider the draft budget proposal.

The following was agreed:

Page 1. All proposed expenditure agreed.

Page 2. All proposed expenditure agreed.

Page 3. All proposed expenditure agreed.

The above are based on the paper circulated (copies available).

Page 4. All proposed grants agreed.

Youth Theatre and Arts Festival to be asked to include a reference to Town Council support in their literature,

Page 5 and 6. The Clerk took members through the figures and explained the process as he went through including assumptions an income and likely balances.

Mr Potter thanked the Finance Group and the Clerk for the work undertaken in producing the budget. He went on to propose a precept figure.

2. To recommend a precept for 2019/20.

Mr Potter proposed a precept of £100,866, this being seconded by Mr Fairhurst and agreed nem com. This equates to a band D tax of £76.24, a 1.7% increase over the previous year.

3. To consider a date for a meeting to decide the use of underspent funds from 2017/18 and 2018/19.

The Clerk indicated that there was potentially £37,400 available to meet the cost of any project which Members decided upon.

There were known projects and a list in the Infrastructure Development Plan to consider.

An immediate request arising from the Speedwatch group was a request for a SID device to aid the speed monitoring process which had so far been extremely successful.

Mr Morgan proposed that £2k be set aside from this year's contingency to facilitate a purchase, this being seconded by Mrs Burroughs. **F 8, Abst. 1.**

Clerk to arrange a suitable purchase in consultation with the group.

A meeting to be arranged for January 16th 2019 at 7.30pm in the Corner House to consider the underspend.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.55pm.

Signed.....
Chairman.