



Precept meeting of Charlbury Town Council

held on Wednesday 7th December 2022
at 8pm in the Green Room, Memorial Hall

Present: Cllrs: Liz Reason, Tim Crisp, Claire Wilding, Gary Harrison, Janet Burroughs, Peter Kenrick, Tony Merry, Nick Potter, Dan Raymond-Barker, Frances Mortimer, **Town Clerk:** Lisa Wilkinson

1. **Apologies for Absence were received** from Gareth Epps and James Styring
2. **Declarations of Interest:** Gary Harrison for Thomas Gifford Trust, Peter Kenrick for Thomas Gifford Trust and Wychwood Forest Trust, Tim Crisp for The Corner House and War Memorial Hall CIO.
3. To consider budget for 2023-24
The draft budget proposed by the finance committee, was discussed.

It was proposed to cut the grass on Sturt Road, The Slade and Nine Acres Lane (OCC responsibility) twice a year at the cost of £450 per year: (proposed FM, seconded DRB) Votes: 6 for, abstentions 4. This was carried.

It was then proposed to include £450 as a budget line for this grass cutting: (proposed FM, seconded TC). Votes: 5 for, 2 against, 2 abstentions. This was carried.

The budget was accepted and will be recommended to full Council at the Town Council meeting on 14th December.

It was agreed to also recommend the following virements:

- Land Nature Working Group – move £4000 from this year's budget to reserves: £3000 for LNG and £1000 for Access to Green Spaces project.
- Mill Field/Watery Lane & Bridges – move £600 from this year's budget to Mill Field reserves.
- Food Working Group - move £290 from this year's budget to Food reserves
- Journeys (car club) - move £1400 currently in reserves to zebra crossing budget
- Journeys Working Group - move £2400 from this year's budget to Journeys reserves.

4. To consider precept for 2023-24

It was agreed to recommend a nil increase in precept for the financial year 2023-2024. The precept figure of 128,352 will be recommended at the December Council meeting. This results in a Band D tax amount of £94.22 which is the same figure as this year. This was proposed by NP and by seconded GH. **Resolved.**

Meeting closed: 9.02pm