

LAMPETER TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES OF A FULL COUNCIL BUDGET MEETING WEDNESDAY 23RD JANUARY 2013 AT 7.30PM AT THE CHURCH HALL LAMPETER

1. CHAIRPERSON'S WELCOME

The Mayor Cllr. Kistiah Ramaya, extended a welcome to all present and stated that the purpose of the meeting was to gauge the level of the Precept (local tax levied by the Town Council), for the next financial year (April 2013-March 2014).

PRESENT:

Mayor K. Ramaya; Deputy-Mayor D. Williams;

Town Clirs: A. Carter; R. Phillips, D. Smith; S. Walters; C. Thomas.

2. APOLOGIES

An apology for absence was received from Cllr. J. Davies, H. Harris, A. Morgan & D. Wilson

3. DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL INTEREST None

4. THE PRECEPT FOR THE NEXT FINANCIAL YEAR

The Budget Report (attached) was discussed. **RESOLVED:** the Precept would decrease from £43,220 to £41,000 for the forthcoming year. Members voted as follows: 4-For the reduction; 3-For the Precept to remain the same at £43,220. It was felt that the Precept could be reduced as the expected running costs for the next financial year, could be met within this budget of £41,000. It is hoped that there will be some savings in relation to the annual CCTV Payment, although no official confirmation has been received, to date. Capital expenditure could be met from the reserves of £113,000 (projected figure). It will be necessary to define Capital and Ordinary expenditure.

- 5. STANDING ORDERS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
 - The Draft Standing Orders, as compiled by Cllr Phillips, were accepted. The final English version will be available shortly. Cllr Phillips was thanked for his work.
- 6. FINANCIAL REGULATIONS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

Draft – has been compiled by the Responsible Financial Officer of the Town Council. There will be some cross-reference to the Standing Orders, within this document.

- 7. RENEWAL OF THE TOWN COUNCIL'S INSURANCE POLICY
 It was RESOLVED to renew the Zurich Policy for a period of 3 years. Libel and
 Slander cover, will be now be incorporated within this Policy. Annual Premium
 £1,882.93 (inclusive of Insurance Premium Tax @ 6%).
- 8. **HUNGER LUNCH: 1.02.2013: Menu**: Cawl, Dessert: Apple Crumble. **RESOLVED:** Cllr D. Williams to purchase the ingredients. Cawl: to be cooked on the day. Volunteers were asked to be present between 9.30am and 10am. Apple Crumble: volunteers to bake in advance.

The meeting ended at 9.40 pm.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Thursday 31 January 2013 at 7.30pm at St Peter's Church Hall, Lampeter.