

## **MIDDLEWICH TOWN COUNCIL**

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Town Council's Finance, Policy and Governance Committee, held in the Wych Centre, Civic Way, Middlewich on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2017, commencing at 6.30pm.**

### **PRESENT**

Councillor S Moss (in the Chair) and Councillors C Bulman, PJ Farrell, K Kingston, DJ Latham, J Parry, B Walmsley and W Walmsley

### **OFFICERS PRESENT**

JPA Williams, Town Clerk, N Antoney, Administration Officer

### **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Councillors D Williams (work commitments)

### **202 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The following Declarations of Interest were made:

- Councillor Latham declared an interest in the Town Council budget as a supplier of services to the Middlewich Mexon market and anything to do with Ansa;
- Councillors Farrell, Moss and B Walmsley declared interests in the Town Council budget due to their involvement with Middlewich Community Trust;
- Councillors Farrell and W Walmsley declared interests in the Town Council budget due to their role at the Wych Centre.
- Councillor K Kingston declared an interest in the Heritage Trust.

### **203 Cllr J Parry proposed:**

Cllr J Parry proposed that the Budget Meeting stays in Part One and was seconded by Cllr D Latham and a name vote called for.

### **RESOLVED:**

(Note: In accordance with Standing Order 3 (o) a request was made for a named vote on this resolution and the voting was as follows:

For the Resolution: Councillors C Bulman, D Latham and J Parry

Against the resolution: Councillors P Farrell, K Kingston, S Moss, B Walmsley and W Walmsley.

At this point in the meeting Cllr J Parry left the meeting as he considered it to be illegal.

**PART TWO**

**RESOLVED:** that the meeting be moved into Part 2 session on the grounds that the matter to be discussed involves financial and staffing matters

**204 TOWN COUNCIL BUDGET 2018-19**

The Committee gave further consideration to the draft budget for 2018-19.

The answers to the queries raised at the previous meeting had been circulated with the agenda pack.

The Clerk went through the Budget line by line to explain the figures as included and the reasoning behind them.

Members went through the budget raising the following points:

- PCSO – the Clerk to clarify with David Keane as we have two wards would we get two PCSO's;
- Flat roof – Members advised the cost of the repair to the flat roof was in the Budget year of 2017 - 2018.
- Community Pride – to increase the budget by £500.

**RESOLVED:** that the draft budget be amended as outlined above and the possible funding for PCSO resource be considered further at the next meeting.

**Date of next meeting –Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at 6.00pm**

**Cllr S Moss**

**Chairman**

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