

**Minutes of extraordinary meeting of Newton Longville Parish Council  
held on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2023 at Free Church**

**Present:** Cllrs Whipp (chair), Chapman (vice-chair), Coeshall, Collinge, Hunter, Welch and Young.

In attendance: Mike Galloway, Clerk to the Council,  
one member of the public in person.

**221/22 Apologies**

Cllr Thompson.  
Buckinghamshire Cllr Iain McPherson.

**222/22 Disclosures of interest**

None

**223/22 Announcements**

Cllr Whipp said that the unsatisfactory and dangerous way the Traffic Management for the works to create a new farm entrance off Whaddon Road (as part of planning application 18/00307/APP and 22/02877/AGN) has been referred to the director responsible for Highways at Buckinghamshire Council as well as a formal complaint being lodged. There should have been traffic signals in place, but it appears Highways Development Management approved use of priority working with any permit approval and against government guidance (Chapter 8).

**224/22 Minutes**

Deferred to next meeting.

**225/22 Public Involvement**

Question asked about a document on website not displaying. It was explained this will be due to an old version, cached in the user's browser cache, being displayed. It was explained how to ensure the page was refreshed to display the current page.

**Finance**

**226/22 To consider budget and precept for 2023/24.**

**[Buckinghamshire Council require precept notifications by 31st January]**

Cllr Whipp took all through the details of the options for level of reserves and basis of income and expenditure budget.

Noted that Buckinghamshire Council is insisting on a precept notification by 31<sup>st</sup> January, which is over a month earlier than required by law. Given the current pressures due to inflation and cost of energy in particular, this makes it much harder to predict available funds as at the end of 2022/23 and some aspects of likely income and expenditure in 2023/24.

As the council has recently taken over running of Longueville Hall directly, when considering the budget for 2023/24 predicted income and expenditure for the hall has been treated as being cost neutral. It is hoped that overall that the income from Longueville Hall will both cover the hall running costs and that there will be sufficient surplus income which may be used for more community activities.

The council considered in detail what an appropriate level of reserves would be and details of the predicted income and expenditure.

It was resolved that the appropriate level of general reserves for 2023/24 be set at £52,500. Proposed by Cllr Chapman, seconded by Cllr Collinge. Unanimously approved.

It was resolved that the draft Income and Expenditure Budget be approved with Income £20,400 and Expenditure £165,746. Proposed by Cllr Chapman, seconded by Cllr Young. Unanimously approved.

As a result of the level of Reserves set and Income and Expenditure Budget, the net brought forward would be £22,500 giving a Net Revenue Expenditure of £122,846 to be funded by the precept.

It was resolved that the precept be set at £122,846. Proposed by Cllr Hunter, seconded by Cllr Welch. Unanimously approved. (With the Tax Base of 778.65, gives a Band D equivalent figure of £157.77, an increase of 1.98% on the Band D equivalent for 2022/23.)

There being no further business the Chair adjourned the meeting at 20:25.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_