



BEAUDESERT & HENLEY IN ARDEN JOINT PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES FOR AN EXTRAORDINARY JOINT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 14TH 2022

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PUBLIC SESSION: The public were given an opportunity to speak by the Chair before the business meeting and several comments were made which are not minuted herein but, where relevant, have been noted by the Clerk and will be included on the next agenda for debate by members.

In Attendance: Cllr Andrews [Chair], Cllrs Bainbridge, Turner, Brady and Okey

Present: There were 3 members of the public present.

1. Apologies for Absence

M1

Apologies were received and accepted by members from Cllr Clarke, Easton. No apology was received from Cllr Harries

2. Declarations of Interest

M2

None were handed to the Clerk.

3. Acceptance of Minutes of the last Meeting

M3

The Chair asked if all members present at the previous meeting [07.11.22] approved the minutes. RESOLVED: All members present at that meeting unanimously approved said minutes which were duly signed off and handed to the Clerk for filing.

4. The BUDGET for 2023-2024

M4

The Chair made a statement in support of the recommended budget and setting of the precept for 2023-2024.

M4.1

GRANTS 23-24

That the JPC had decided on an upbeat approach understanding the need to provide more for all of the town's societies, stating that this year there had been an increase of 30% over last year's awards.

She confirmed that the Grants Panel met and interviewed all the candidates and that decisions were reached for the applicants listed on the website – link

<https://www.henley-in-arden-pc.gov.uk/grants-2023-2024-outcome-letter-to-societies/>

She added a short explanation on the JPC grant panel's reasoning for the award for each applicant.



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**M4.3
FUTURE PROJECTS**

She went on to outline plans for the future, which included a toddlers new play towers, skate park upgrade, £5K's worth of mini grants placed in reserve, King Charles III Coronation, eco dual bin trials, new town signage and upkeeping plans. These will be detailed as agenda items when they are considered by full council in coming meetings.

**M4.4
THE PRECEPT [£123,500.00]**

She was pleased to report to all that in a bid to help the household purse in the coming months of stressful domestic budgeting, no increase would be requested in the 23-24 Precept request, even though it is only a small percentage of the whole council tax demand.

RESOLVED: The members present voted unanimously in favour of the budget and precept plans and ask that the Clerk minute their decision and, where appropriate, implement them for the year 2023-2024.

**M4.5
SIGNIFICANT PROJECTS IN VIEW**

She thanked all assembled for listening to her report and confirmed that major events arising in the coming months would include, South Warks Local Plan and need for JPC to seek a third-party professional view of the campaign and its implications. Arden House development where the anticipated s.106 payment will boost plans for infrastructure projects in Henley and finally, to resolve the management regime for the Croft Car Park.

In Closing: The Clerk reminded all that he would begin a campaign of advertising and hopefully the recruitment of honest and enthusiastic members of the community in standing for election in May 2023 in order to fill the twelve places on the JPC.

Date of Next Meeting: 5th December 2022, Memorial Hall, Station Road, Henley at 7.00 pm prompt.

Meeting closed at 20.15 hours.

Signed.....

Date.....