

WEST MERSEA TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING

HELD ON TUESDAY 17 JANUARY 2017

PRESENT: Councillors: Carl Powling (Mayor)
Peter Banks
Dave Bragg
Peter Clements
Robert Jenkins
Sylvia Wargent
Sophie Weaver

IN ATTENDANCE: Town Clerk: Petra Palfreyman

Chairman to state the meeting is being recorded.

6402 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence received from Councillor Moore.

6403 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST RECEIVED

There were no declarations of interest received.

6404 TO DECIDE AND AGREE THE BUDGET REQUIRED FOR THE PRECEPT

The budget was calculated by splitting the expenditure and income in to cost centres, including a Clerks account for the miscellaneous expenditure.

The Chairman of each committee advised how the figures had been arrived at. Some capital expenditure was included for aspirational expenditure, such as the refurbishment of the Coast Road toilets, heating in the Tennis Pavilion and the children's play area but such expenditure will also be reliant on funding and the estimated income, from car parks for example, being as expected.

Following various discussions once the budgets were reviewed and adjusted, the amount to be requested for the precept for West Mersea Town Council was proposed as £211979 which equated to a 15.6% increase for a Band D council taxpayer. Although this is an increase on 2016/17 it is almost £12000 lower than was requested in 2015/16.

Proposed: Cllr Clements, Seconded: Cllr Jenkins.

The Clerk agreed to revise the spreadsheet and submit the request to Colchester Borough Council by the due date of 26 January 2017.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.50 pm