

MINUTES OF RESOURCES MEETING



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Minutes of Resources Strategy and Staffing Committee of Spratton Parish Council

on **Tuesday 27th November 2018**. In Spratton Village Hall, at **7.30pm**, for the purpose of transacting the following business.

Present: Cllr Jay Tindale chair of Resources, Cllr John Hunt, Cllr Colin Donnelly, Cllr Barry Ward, and Cllr Sally Wilkes. Emma Gibson Clerk and RFO, and two members of the public.

178.18 Members of the public and press were invited to address the Council at its Open Forum: No comments received.

179.18 Resolution to approve apologise for absence.- Apology from Cllr Crawford. Council **RESOLVED** to approve the absence.

180.18 Member's Declaration of Interests/Dispensation Requests.- None.

181.18 Committee to discuss Grant Applications received.

REC Application – Committee informed that the REC Committee had been contacted to request copies of their accounts to aid the Resources Committee to form a view on this grant application. To date these had not been received. A Rec Committee representative stated they had not seen the request and would double check their inbox. Council discussed that the REC Committee had been advised of grants available through DDC. Rec Committee confirmed they are pursuing this option. **At present the Resources Committee were unable to approve this grant application.**

182.18 Reserves and Reserves Policy

The Committee discussed the Reserves for 2019/18. After consideration the Committee **RESOLVED** to recommend to full Council that the Churchyard Wall Reserve remains at £22,000. The Committee further **RESOLVED** to keep approximately one years precept in reserve £40,000 for emergency unforeseen expenses.

183.18 Precept and Budget planning 2019/2020 –

Budget - Cllrs discussed the 2018/19 budget, the remaining funds and any significant expenses yet to be paid from this as per the draft budget document attached. Cllr Tindale outlined the general expenses yet to be paid this financial year, as detailed on the SPC receipts and payments spreadsheets

and draft budget. The Committee discussed how there should always be a reserve in place for repairs to the Church wall, a general reserve of one year's precept for unforeseen expenses. Cllrs reviewed the 2019/20 budget as outlined on the draft budget document in relation to any areas of the budget that should be increased. The Committee discussed the CIL payments that had been received in 2018/19 and how the Council could spend these in the forthcoming financial year. Committee **RESOLVED** to spend the CIL money on measures to tackle speeding within the village, PCSO and provision for buses, as detailed in the budget document.

The Committee **RESOLVED** that they would recommend to full Council that the budget for 2019/20 should be accepted as outlined in the draft budget document.

Precept - Cllrs discussed the Precept for 2019/20 and any addition expenses that may need to be covered. Cllrs reluctant to increase the Precept after considering all factors and the budget. **RESOLVED** Cllrs agreed to recommend to full Council at the next meeting for the Precept to remain at £41,000.

184.18 To resolve to move in to a Confidential Session to discuss Separate Business, pursuant to s.1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and Standing Order 3d: The public and press should leave the meeting during the consideration of: Staffing issues.
Council **RESOLVED** to move in a Confidential Session.

Meeting Closed 20.30

Signed.....

Dated.....

Jay Tindale , Chairman of Resources Committee

