

BUCKHURST HILL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND ESTABLISHMENT COMMITTEE HELD AT 8.00pm ON Thursday 17 January 2019 AT BUCKHURST HILL LIBRARY, 165 QUEENS ROAD

029/18 **PRESENT** Cllrs: Mr B Nagpal (Chairman)
Mr R Sparrowhawk
Mr S Clark
Mr S Neville
Mrs S Patel
Miss S Watson
Mr N Wright (Ex Officio)

In attendance:
Mr K O'Brien (Clerk), Mrs V Evans (Acting RFO), Mrs E. Petyt-Start (Clerk Designate)

The Chairman welcomed Members to the meeting and thanked them for attending.

030/18 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr Ms G Reynolds
Cllr Mrs J Share-Bernia

031/18 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest from Members in any item on the agenda.

032/18 **MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 15 November 2018 circulated.
Cllr Miss Watson advised she had not received minutes prior to the meeting.
Other Councillors confirmed they had received their copies.

Cllr Miss Watson requested an amendment to the draft of FE037/18.1
The draft was adjusted manually.
The minutes were subsequently approved and the Chairman authorised to sign them.

033/18 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were no members of the public present.

034/18 **CHAIRMAN'S AND CLERK'S COMMUNICATIONS**

There were no communications to report.

035/18 **BUDGET AND PRECEPT 2019-2020**

1. Budget

Councillors considered the 2019/2020 Budget draft.

Councillors had some queries which the Acting RFO and Clerk clarified.
There was particular discussion around the Halls Maintenance budgets.
This led into a general discussion relating to the halls feasibility and the Local Plan.

As a consequence the following motion was moved by Cllr Nagpal (Chairman) and seconded by Cllr Neville

'to recommend to Full Council to utilise the Local Plan EMR (£80k) for Legal and Professional services required in regards to the Local Plan

Hearings currently scheduled to take place from February to May 2019'

Unanimously AGREED

Cllr Nagpal proposed, seconded by Cllr Sparrowhawk.

'to add a new line to the proposed budget to be described as 'Halls Development' with an allocation of £200k and remove the proposed budget from Halls Repairs and Maintenance. To agree the proposed Budget with this included be recommended to Full Council'

This proposal was unanimously accepted.
Consequently the Budget for 2019-2020 was Unanimously AGREED for recommendation to Full Council.

2. Precept

Cllr Nagpal proposed, seconded by Cllr Sparrowhawk, to recommend the Precept to Full Council, with no increase to Band D

Unanimously AGREED.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.15 pm.

Chairman

Date