



**MINUTES OF THE EXTRA ORDINARY FULL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> JANUARY 2024 AT THE ALLENS, ALBION ROAD, MARDEN COMMENCING AT 7.30PM**

**114/24 PRESENT**

Cllrs Adam, Besant, Boswell, Gibson, Newton, Rabot, Robertson and Tippen (in the Chair) were present. The Deputy Clerk was also in attendance.

**115/24 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllrs Stevens, Summersgill and Turner along with the Clerk had given their apologies.

In the absence of the Clerk the Deputy Clerk took the minutes.

**116/24 COUNCILLOR INFORMATION**

**Declaration of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**Changes to Register of Interest**

There were no changes to Cllrs register of interest.

**Granting of Dispensation**

There were no requests for dispensation.

**117/24 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

Agreement of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> January was deferred until 13<sup>th</sup> February.

**118/24 IDENTIFICATION OF ITEMS INVOLVING PUBLIC SPEAKING**

There were no members of the public in attendance.

**119/24 FINANCE**

**2024/2025 Budget**

The Clerk had circulated a report and Cllr Adam updated the meeting regarding the recently received quote for additional Christmas lighting. The budget had been amended to incorporate this and Cllrs agreed the proposal for 2024/2025 financial year.

**2024/2025 Precept**

Cllrs agreed the proposed 2024/2025 Precept for £182,504.04 (Band D equivalent : £82.72 pa / £6.893 pm / 3.95% increase from 2023/2024).

The Chairman signed the request form for Maidstone Borough Council which the Clerk would countersign and return before the 30<sup>th</sup> January.

**120/24 PARISH MATTERS**

**KALC Community Award 2024**

Cllrs to discussed and agreed recipient 1 on the list of nominations for the 2024 KALC Community Award Scheme which would be presented at the Annual Parish Meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> April.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 7.44pm

Signed:

Cllr Kate Tippen, Chairman, Marden Parish Council

Date: 13<sup>th</sup> February 2024

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