

## **BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Precept Meeting of the Full Brandon Town Council

Held on Monday 23 November 2009

At the Old School House, Market Hill, Brandon at 7.00pm.

**Present:** Cllr. S Edwards, Cllr. R Silvester, Cllr. Mrs S Jureko, Cllr. N Vant, Cllr. Mrs M Young, Cllr. D Bimson, Cllr. P Ridgwell, Cllr. G Hughes, Cllr. A Simmons, Cllr. K Butcher, Cllr. L Jacobs.

**Also present:** Mrs C Mason (Town Clerk).

Meeting commenced at 7.00pm.

### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr. S Le Gry, Cllr. P MacLoughlin.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** and additions to Members Register of Interests [per Parish Council's Code of Conduct 2001 / Local Government Act 2000].  
None.

### **3. TO RECEIVE, CONFIRM AND SIGN MINUTES**

Of the Full Brandon Town Council Meeting of Monday 2 November 2009 (Public Items).

Resolution Record No. **BTC/86/23/Nov/09**

Proposed by Cllr. G Hughes and seconded by Cllr. N Vant.

**CARRIED:** Unanimous.

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE FULL BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2009 BE ACCEPTED AS A TRUE RECORD.

### **4. MATTERS ARISING** for information exchange only

Of the Full Brandon Town Council Meeting of Monday 2 November 2009 (Public items).

Emergency Team meeting to be held on Friday 27 November at 6.00 pm at the town council offices.

### **5. PRECEPT FOR BRANDON 2010 TO 2011 [PUBLIC ITEMS]**

Precept estimates to be adjusted:

#### **Cemetery/Town**

Increase Powergen from £500 to £600.

Increase servicing of machinery from £400 to £500

#### **Old School House**

Increase British Gas Supply from £1,000 to £1,500.

Decrease UK Fire Annual Service from £150 to £100.

#### **General**

Increase Christmas lighting from £3,200 to £3,500.

#### **Recreation**

Cllr. Mrs M Young and Cllr. A Simmons declared an interest in the Brandon Remembrance Playing Fields. The Members Book of Interests was duly signed.

Increase B.R.P.F. from £23,000 to £23,380. This equates to an increase of 2.1%.

**Funding requests: S137 Local Government Act 1972**

THAT THIS COUNCIL PURSUANT TO SECTION 137 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 INCURS THE FOLLOWING EXPENDITURE WHICH IN THE OPINION OF THE COUNCIL IS IN THE INTERESTS OF THE AREA OF ITS INHABITANTS AND WILL BENEFIT THEM IN A MANNER COMMENSURATE WITH THE EXPENDITURE.

Cllr. R Silvester declared an interest in the Brandon and Mildenhall Citizens Advice Bureau and the Heritage Centre; Cllr. D Bimson declared an interest in the Heritage Centre; Cllr. A Simmons declared an interest in St. Nicolas Hospice, Brandon Neighbourhood Watch, Brandon & Mildenhall Citizens Advice Bureau; Cllr. G Hughes declared an interest in Brandon Neighbourhood Watch. The Members Book of Interests was duly signed.

Royal British Legion Wreath	£50.00	
Brandon Neighbourhood Watch	£200.00	
Brandon Handicapped Club	£200.00	
Brandon Citizens Advice Bureau	£250.00	(Donation made under Section 142)

Resolution Record No. **BTC/87/23/Nov/09**

Proposed by Cllr. D Bimson and seconded by Cllr. R Silvester.

**CARRIED:** Unanimous.

THAT UNDER SECTION 137 EXPENDITURE, BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL AGREES TO A DONATION OF THREE HUNDRED POUNDS TO MARIE CURIE CANCER CARE.

Resolution Record No. **BTC/88/23/Nov/09**

Proposed by Cllr. D Bimson and seconded by Cllr. Mrs M Young.

**CARRIED:** 9 for 1 abstention.

THAT UNDER SECTION 137 EXPENDITURE, BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL AGREES TO A DONATION OF FIVE HUNDRED POUNDS TO BRANDON SCOUTS GROUP.

Resolution Record No. **BTC/89/23/Nov/09**

Proposed by Cllr. A Simmons and seconded by Cllr. L Jacobs.

**CARRIED:** 8 for 2 against.

THAT UNDER SECTION 142 EXPENDITURE, BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL AGREES TO A DONATION TO THE BRANDON FLOWERPOT YOUTH CENTRE OF THREE HUNDRED POUNDS.

Resolution Record No. **BTC/90/23/Nov/09**

Proposed by Cllr. L Jacobs and seconded by Cllr. G Hughes.

**CARRIED:** 6 for 5 again.

THAT UNDER SECTION 137 EXPENDITURE, BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL MAKES AVAILABLE THE SUM OF TWO THOUSAND POUNDS TOWARDS THE REFURBISHMENT OF THE SKATE PARK LOCATED AT THE BRANDON REMEMBRANCE PLAYING FIELDS.

The precept demand for the financial year 2010 to 2011 has been set at £191,857.00, equating to an approximate decrease of 1.5% on last year's precept figure. This sum will be formally adopted at the Full Brandon Town Council meeting to be held on the 7 December 2009.

Resolution Record No. **BTC/91/23/Nov/09**

Proposed by Cllr. G Hughes and seconded by Cllr. K Butcher.

**CARRIED:** Unanimous.

THAT BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL AGREES TO SET THE PRECEPT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2010 TO 2011 AS ONE HUNDRED AND NINETY ONE THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY SEVEN POUNDS.

**6. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC AND PRESS**

Resolution Record No. **BTC/91/23/Nov/09**

Proposed by Cllr. G Hughes and seconded by Cllr. D Bimson.

**CARRIED:** Unanimous.

‘That pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the Public and Press be excluded from the Meeting temporarily due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed concerning: CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES: QUOTES: STAFFING ISSUES. (Section 100(A)(4) LGA 1972)

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Confidential Minutes

Of the Full Brandon Town Council Precept Meeting

Held at 7.00pm on Monday 23 November 2009

In the Council Chamber, Old School House, Brandon

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AS A MATTER OF PUBLIC RECORD

The Chairman reminded members that any discussion in this section of the meeting must remain confidential.

**7. TO RECEIVE, CONFIRM AND SIGN CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES**

Of the Full Brandon Town Council Meeting of Monday 2 November 2009

Resolution Record No. **BTC/92/23/Nov/09**

**CARRIED:**

THAT THE CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES OF THE FULL BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2009 BE ACCEPTED AND SIGNED AS A TRUE RECORD.

**8. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES**

Of the Full Brandon Town Council Meeting of Monday 2 November 2009.

None arising.

**9. PRECEPT FOR BRANDON 2010 TO 2011 [CONFIDENTIAL SECTION]**

No adjustments were made.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.