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**THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT BROAD HAVEN VILLAGE HALL, 8 JANUARY 2018, AT 7 PM**

**PRESENT**

Cllrs Charlotte Alexander, Matthew Ford, Joan Phillips, Susan Reynolds, Carys Spence, Connie Stephens, Ian Whitby (Chair), Christine Lewis (Clerk/RFO).

**APOLOGIES**

Cllrs Will Griffiths, Dai Faulkner, Mark Burch, Peter Morgan (County Councillor, Katie Millar (Youth Representative.

**ADOPT MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes were signed by Cllr Ian Whitby (Chair), as a true record of the meeting held on the 5 December 2017.

**DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

Cllr Ian Whitby, who is Chair of the Village Hall Committee, declared an interest when discussing the Village Hall Budget.

**MATTERS ARISING**

The following items were carried over from the Agenda for the meeting on the 2 January which was adjourned due to the small number of Councillors able to attend. The remainder of the items will be carried over to the February meeting.

**AGENDA ITEMS**

**2016 Proposed Budget / Precept**

The Finance Committee met in December to put together a proposed Budget and Precept for the next financial year. The Clerk presented the proposed budget drawing attention to the main changes from the previous year. These included

**Salary/Expenses**

An increase in the Clerk's hours of 9.5 hours per month to take account of some of the additional workload, one of which is the role of the Data Controller, now a legal requirement for all Councils.

 It was also proposed that the expenses agreed in 2013 did not now cover the actual costs and these should be adjusted to reflect 2017 prices.

**Broad Haven and Little Haven Hall Allocation**

As both village halls now had healthy reserves it was proposed that their maintenance allowances could be reduced. An allowance of £1000 for the year would be made available in the budget. Requests for the £1000 allowance should be made to the Clerk (who is also the Responsible Finance Officer) with details of what the proceeds are required for.

**Boardwalk**

It was proposed that the Boardwalk allowance would be increased to £1000 and in line with the Village Halls, should they wish to take advantage of the allowance a request should be made to the Clerk with details of what the proceeds are required for.

**Festive Lighting**

In recognition of the large amount of funds raised by local businesses and electors for the Enfield Road Christmas lights and installation it was proposed that the Council should provide a contingency for 2018 to ensure there is sufficient funds to have them installed again next year.

**Holbrook Close Bus Shelter**

An additional item put forward for the budget was a window in the Holbrook Close Bus Shelter in order to enable those waiting for a bus to see when it is approaching. The Clerk was asked to get prices from local contractors for this work.

**Precept**

The Precept requested for 2018/2019 is £29,250. This is an increase of £1,250 on last year but due to the increased tax base this should not increase charges to the electors.. This will give us a slightly increased reserve which we hope will help to cover the cost of reinstating some of the paths used by residents, including parents and children walking to school. Cllr Sue Reynolds proposed the budget be accepted as presented, this was seconded by Cllr Charlotte Alexander.

 **Planning Applications**

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| **NP/17/0711/FUL** | Demolition of existing unit to se side of ground floor residential unit and prov of new 2 storey extension with glazed balcony to the front and parking space together with link at second floor. Graftons, Grove Place, Little Haven. SA62 3UF | SupportNB1 |

NB 1 The Council supported the above application with the request that the Planning Department to ensure that any of the parked cars shown do not encroach on the road thus preserving the 'right of way' that exists along the front of the building.

**Finance**

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| Broad Haven Village Hall Standing Order | 250.00 |  SO |
| Little Haven Hall Standing Order | 250.00 |  SO |
| Clerk’s salary £316.20 plus expenses | 359.42 |  |
| Cleddau Press January Issue | 197.00 |  |
| J&A Electrical Services Lighting installation and materials | 1657.90 |  |
| J&A Electrical Services replacement of faulty bulbs | 125.00 |  |
| Litmania Motifs and Tree Lights | 856.80 |  |
| Litmania Additional Motif | 167.40 |  |
| Caloo Purchase and Installation of Play Park Arbour | 3594.00 |  |
| CE LEWIS Reimbursement | 24.98 |  |
| Total Tech Backup/DRS 2018/2019 | 180.00 |  |
| G D Harries & Sons TT Plannings | 97.92 |  |
| ICO Data Protection /FOA Registration | 35.00 |  |
| Litmania Replacement Bulbs | 756.00 |  |
| HMRC January Payment | 231.52 |  |
| Broad Haven Boardwalk Maintenance Allowance | 650.00 |  |
| **TOTAL Authorised by Cllr Joan Phillips and RFO** | **9457.92** |  |

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 8.20 pm.

**THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION AT THE MEETING TO BE HELD ON 6 FEBRUARY IN THE BROAD HAVEN VILLAGE HALL.**