

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ABOVE COUNCIL EXTRA ORDINARY MEETING HELD IN RINGWOULD PARISH OFFICE ON TUESDAY 23rd JANUARY 2024 AT 7:30pm

015/24 To record those present and accept any apologies.

Councillors: S Wilson, (Chair), S Hogben (Deputy Chair and Acting Clerk) M Deschamps, M Meyerowitz, M Stickels. A representative from KALC attended at the request of councillors.

016/24 To Note any Declarations Pecuniary Interest (DPI), Other Significant Interests (OSI) or any Voluntary Interests.

Cllr Stickels declared a prejudicial interest in respect of clerk's recruitment and was duly excluded from agenda item **020/24** discussion.

017/24 Open session for members of the public to ask questions on items on the agenda.

(This item will last for a maximum of 15 minutes, unless the chairman extends the time allowed.)

None, no members of the public in attendance.

018/24 Finance

The councillors gave careful consideration to the budget for 24-25 and together, discussed each entry.

In reaching their decisions, regard was had for the previous year's expenditure, rises in the cost of living, inflation and priorities for the Parish Council in the forthcoming fiscal year.

A representative from KALC attended at the request of councillors, as appointment of the new clerk is currently in process.

Councillors agreed on a precept of £60,136.04 which is an increase of £9936.04 on the 23-24 precept. This represents an increase of £6.01 per band D household, representing 12p per week.

This precept will be submitted to Dover District Council by Friday January 26th 2024.

019/24 Matters of General Interest

(For councillors to highlight issues that do not require a decision or for items on the next agenda.)

020/24 To exclude the public under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, and Section 12a of the Local Government Act 1972, due to the sensitivity of the items to be discussed

Cllr Stickels was excluded from discussion having declared a prejudicial interest in the matter.

Signed

Chair

