

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on
Tuesday 14 January in the Civic Chamber, Council Offices, Skelmanthorpe**

PRESENT: Cllrs M Blanshard, S Hellewell, A Baskeyfield, L Newton, R Gott, P Flinders, R Brook, K Waites, W Simpson, N Denby, Cllr G Turner & C Naylor

IN ATTENDANCE: C Wadsworth, Clerk to the Council

19/025 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest

19/026 Open Session

There were no members of the public present

19/027 Apologies for Absence

Reasons for absence from the meeting were submitted from Cllr Patterson

RESOLVED that the reasons for absence submitted by the councillor be accepted as valid.

19/028 Admission of the Public

RESOLVED that there were no items requiring the exclusion of the press and public.

19/029 Budget Outturn 2019/20

Budget Outturn – Cllr Brook referred to the budget outturn circulated, noting that there were still 2 ½ months left of the current financial year. He informed councillors that the full cost of the elections had now been received, but that the cost of the new lighting for the building of £24,955 had not yet been received. The budget outturn was noted by councillors.

19/030 Budget 2020-2021

Cllr Brook referred to the budget for next year. No recommendations for changes were received.

19/031 Precept: Cllr Brook presented the precept discussion paper showing calculations for last year and the figures for discussion for the next Financial Year. There was no Council Tax Reduction Grant for next year. Options 1 and 2 were discussed at length, and a vote was taken.

RESOLVED that Option 2, to precept **£150,000** be recommended to Full Council. A named vote was taken with Cllrs Gott and Naylor voting for Option 1, and Cllrs Blanshard, Hellewell, Baskeyfield, Newton, Flinders, Brook, Waites, Denby, Simpson and Turner voting for Option 2.

19/032 Heritage Working Party Expenditure

Cllr Brook reminded councillors of the agreement to allow the Heritage Working Party to draw up to £600 for the printing of the 5 local history books, which would then be sold and the income recovered. At present, 3 of the publications were out of print, and the Heritage Working Party had met to discuss having these reprinted in small numbers. Councillors noted this request.

19/033 Orders for Payment

RESOLVED that orders for payment number 751 totalling £7359.14 be approved for payment

19/034 Date of next meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for 10 March 2020

Signed..... CHAIR