**PRESENT:**

Cllrs A Shipley (Chair), B Hughes (Vice-Chair)

Cllrs S Hill, T McNicol, J Morrison, D Brindley, K Griffiths, D Baker, H Rylands, T Shipley

Z Grindey (Clerk)

**APOLOGIES:**

Cllr D Normington

*There were no members of the public in attendance*

**The Chair opened the meeting at 19:30**

**EX06/19 APOLOGIES**

See above.

**EX07/19 REVIEW OF PROPOSED BUDGETS FOR 2020/21**

A discussion was held.

**Cllr K Griffiths proposed that £650 was added to the budget for VE Day Celebrations. The motion was resolved unanimously.**

The Clerk left the room while a discussion was held regarding future staffing proposals.

**It was proposed that the Clerk’s salary be increased to NCP point 18 from April 2020. This is subject to an independent evaluation supporting this. The motion was resolved unanimously.**

**It was proposed to offer a 6-month temporary contract to a local experienced Clerk to assist the Clerk from April 2020. Maximum weekly hours to be 17. Hourly rate not to exceed that of the Clerk. The motion was resolved unanimously.**

**EX08/19 REVIEW OF PRECEPT REQUIREMENTS**

The revised budget figures were entered into the spreadsheet and the precept requirements were calculated. A discussion was held.

**Cllr J Morrison proposed that the precept for 2020/21 be set at £100,005. The motion was resolved with 1 abstaining.**

Whilst Councillors stated that they were uncomfortable with the increase to the precept, it was felt necessary to meet the demands of the budget. Cllr T McNicol abstained from the vote but was unable to offer an alternative solution.

**The meeting closed at 20:20**