CLAY CROSS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Clay Cross Parish Council Meeting held in the Council Chamber at Clay Cross Social Centre on Wednesday 12 January 2022 at 5PM.

Present: Councillor G Morley Chair

Councillor B Wright Vice Chair

Councillor Mrs M Jones Councillor A Rouse

Councillor D Rossiter

Also Present: Dawn Kershaw, Parish Clerk

Andrew Mott, Administrative Assistant John King, Accountant/Internal Auditor

Public Participation

There were no members of the public present.

3163/22 Apologies for Absence

To receive and approve Apologies for Absence and reasons given. Councillor E Mansbridge (Care Commitments), Councillor Mrs T Reader (Work Commitments), Councillor A Reader (Work Commitments), Councillor Ms K Rouse (Illness) and Councillor D Skinner (Absent). Resolved That: the Apologies for Absence and the reasons given are approved.

3164/22 Precept 2022/23

Details received from Jayne Dethick, Assistant Director – Finance & Resources at North East Derbyshire District Council (circulated) were noted.

Administration Assistant circulated calculations for Councillors to see the effect of Precept increases ranging from 0% to 13.25% and then talked Councillors through each category of the Income & Expenditure:

- no changes were made to the budgeted income for 2022/3 for categories 101 to 705
- a few changes were made to the budgeted expenditure provided with the Agenda, John King had reviewed the wages and provision has been made in this budget to allow for the increase in the National Minimum Living Wage and code 2000 was increased to £68,100 and code 3155 was increased to £4,000
- following receipt of updated information code 2100/2 (Copier Click Cost) was increased to £300, code 3080 (Dog Fouling Bins etc) was increased to £6,178 and adjustments made to code 4010/1 (Christmas Lighting) £8,744 and code 6000/3 (Grounds

- Maintenance to NEDDC) £30,900; resulting in an adjusted expenditure total of £315,675.
- Each category code was discussed and adjustments were then made to code 2180 (Subs & Fees) with the potential DALC membership fee being removed (-£1,600), code 3000 (Clay Cross Gala) with the bi-annual amount being returned to £500 (-£100), code 6000/1 (Playing Fields General Maintenance) being returned to the previous £500 (-£496)
- Quotes for code 4010/2 (Floral Displays) had been received prior to the meeting and it was **agreed** to award the contract to Woolley Moor Nurseries and the draft budget was adjusted to £9,000 (-£1,000)

Following these adjustments the figures were:

Projected expenditure 2022/23: £312,480 Less Projected Income (excluding Precept): £ 58,301

Funds required: £254,179

This figure would have resulted in a Precept increase of over 11.25%

<u>Resolved That:</u> Clay Cross Parish Council funding is increased by 5%, giving a Precept of £239,514 with the projected shortfall of £14,665 to be taken from reserves