

MURTON PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF MURTON PARISH COUNCIL 20 January 2020

Present: Barbara Govan (Chairman), Debbie Hewitt, John McDarren and Tina Longstaff.

1/20 Apologies for Absence – Alastair Bell (holiday), Anne King (holiday), Pat Lavery (unwell).

2/20 Declarations of Interest - there were no declarations of interest.

3/20 Minutes of Previous Meeting

Resolved: that the minutes of the Ordinary meeting on 4 November 2019 be signed by the Chairman of the meeting as an accurate record.

4/20 BUDGET 2020/21

4/20/1 Murton Parish Council Owned Defibrillators

Appendix 1 was discussed.

Resolved: that the contract with Community Heartbeat Trust for maintenance of the Hilton defibrillator will not be renewed and the PC will take on responsibility for it.

Resolved: that the advice of the Appleby & District Community First Responders be taken on board and a lockable door be installed on the Murton defibrillator.

Resolved: that the First Responders be asked to take on the guardianship of both of these defibrillators.

Brian Moncaster was thanked, in his absence, for his work in negotiating the installation, maintenance and guardianship of these two defibrillators over the last five years.

4/20/2 Annual Budget & Precept 2020/21

The decision, made at the last meeting, to adopt a formula aimed at reducing the shortfall, covering the deficit and increasing the PC's reserves was reviewed (Minute 86/19/2). 2020/21 figures for the Council Tax Base and Council Tax Reduction had been confirmed by Eden District Council.

Resolved: that the decision to cover 100% of the shortfall in 2020/21 be confirmed. This will result in a precept increase of around £10 per annum for a Band D property.

Residents are encouraged to inform the PC of any cases of hardship this may create.

For information - the reason for the increase can be largely attributed to: reduced cemetery income; increased cemetery maintenance costs, transfer of two footway lights from EDC to the PC, exhaustion of donated funding for two defibrillators.

5/20 Clerk's report on any actions taken under delegated powers not otherwise mentioned –
- there were none.

6/20 Date of next Ordinary Meeting: Monday 3 February at 7.30 pm at Murton Institute.

The meeting closed at 8.10 pm

A large print version of these minutes is available on request from the parish clerk. All documents relating to this meeting are available here: www.murton.org.uk

Signature
Chairman, Murton Parish Council

Barbara I. Govan

Date of meeting
3 February 2020