



Kingshurst Parish Council

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Minutes of the Precept Meeting of Kingshurst Parish Council held on Thursday 10th January, 2018 at the Seeds of Hope Parish Room Kingshurst B37 6BY

Cllrs. Present John Kimberley - Chairman
 Alvin Follows – Vice Chairman
 Tina Williams
 Sheila Daly
 David Woolley

In Attendance Louise Baudet RFO, J Aske Clerk and three members of the public.

1. **Apologies:** No apologies were received. All members of the council will be arriving at some point.

2. No Minutes to approve. Notes were taken from previous working party and passed at the full council meeting 10.1.18

3. To discuss the Precept for 2019/2020

Chair of Finance asked the RFO to take the microphone and discuss her figures for this year's precept. Her recommendation is that the Precept budget would remain the same as the previous year. £46,000.00 Louise continued to go through item by item and discuss the probabilities of the expenditure for the year to commence. These projections will accompany these minutes.

Elections costs will be allocated from reserves at £1,500 A budget has to been in place in case there is an election this year for new parish councillors.

Reserves were spoken of and Chair of finance spoke on the thoughts of purchasing a Log Cabin to be sites at the Pavilions for the Clerk to work from as the KPC office. He asked that the reserves be put in place for either this scenario or another type of office with rent, water, electricity and security. (*Presently the Clerk works from home with the cost of £4 a week*)

This would be at a cost of £30,000.00 for the purchase of the Log Cabin. This has not been discussed at any great length with the committee members. The tenants of the Pavilions would need to give the KPC permission and for the facilities of electricity, water sewage, telephone installation etc.

Chair John Kimberley proposed that £10,000.00 earmarked to explore the possibilities to provide facilities for the Clerk and meeting rooms. All agreed.

Chair of Finance asked if anyone had any other ideas. Cllr. Sheila Daly asked if the Solicitors vacant office could be used for the Clerk to work from. Clerk was instructed to contact SMBC regarding this.

Chair thanked everyone for their participation.

4. Public Participation: No members of the public participated.

5. Majority agreed the outcome of the meeting will be taken to the Full Council and the proposal to precept £49,000.00 to be passed.

Meeting Closed at 6.27 pm

Signed Dated.....