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MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING OF ALFRETON TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON 9th JANUARY 2024 AT 7PM, ROOM 1

Present

Town Mayor: Councillor H Jowett-Frost

Councillors:

M Bennett, J Gdula, M Kerry, S Marshall-Clarke, D Taylor, J Walker, S Walker, J Whetton

Staff:

V Johnstone

**MEETING OF ALFRETON TOWN COUNCIL**

# **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

## 123/23 To receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received from J Bates due to a work commitment, G Dolman, and K Wood for personal reasons

## 124/23 To receive any declarations of interest from Members

Declarations were received from Councillors;

M Kerry

128/23c To consider the request to increase the Youth Services budget for Financial Year 24/25 and its impact on the wider budget setting and precept requirements – Personal Interest and remained in the meeting

D Taylor

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## 125/23 Recording and Filming of Council and Committee Meetings

**RESOLVED**

1. For the purposes of minute taking an Officer will record the meeting

## 126/23 Public Participation

There were no members of the public present

## 127/23 To consider any items which should be taken in exclusion of the press and public

None recommended

## 128/23 To consider the request to increase the Youth Services budget for Financial Year 24/25 and its impact on the wider budget setting and precept requirements.

**RESOLVED**

**That the following recommendation is presented to council at the next meeting:**

1. That the former budget headings of Grants to outside bodies, Community Hub & Youth Service be combined to form a new budget - Community Projects & Grants
2. That the Community Projects & Grants would have an annual budget 24/25 £40,000 resulting in an increase of 6.26% on the current Council Tax base rate provided by Amber Valley Borough Council
3. That the funding previously earmarked for the 3-year Community Hub project is revoked
4. That for a future meeting a process is prepared and presented to full council on how the new budget will be administered in terms of timing, ceiling limits on grant funding and supporting application paperwork required
5. A newsletter is published outlining the budget and in particular the new budget heading
6. In September, in preparation for the budget setting 25/26, a report is brought to council on how a referendum could be run to consider an increased budget over and above the traditional inflation level budgets set to allow the council to consider this time next year a potential increase above inflation to fund other community projects that have not been delivered by the traditional responsible authorities.

Next Full Council meeting is scheduled for 23/01/23.

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