BRANDON AND BYSHOTTLES PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
6 GOATBECK TERRACE, LANGLEY MOOR, DURHAM, DH7 8JJ
ON WEDNESDAY 3rd JANUARY 2024

PRESENT

Councillor B Nelson (in the Chair)
And Councillors, Bell, Bonner, Clegg, Mrs Clegg, Grantham, Hindmarch, Moore, Turnbull, Sims and Wharton

Fin. 22 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest received.

Fin. 23 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs Catterson, Mrs Elmer and Mrs Nelson.

RESOLVED: To recommend receiving the apologies.

Fin. 24 **ACCOUNT BALANCE AT 30TH NOVEMBER 2023**

Approval was requested for the account balance as at 30th November 2023 and Bank Reconciliations August – November 2023.

RESOLVED: To recommend approval of the balance at 30th November 2023 and approval of the Bank Reconciliations August – November 2023.
Proposed by Councillor Grantham and seconded by Councillor Bonner.

Fin. 25 **ESTIMATES/ACTUALS AS AT 30TH NOVEMBER 2023**

Approval was requested for estimates/actuals as at 30th November 2023.

RESOLVED: To recommend approval of the estimates/actuals at 30th November 2023.
Proposed by Councillor Grantham and seconded by Councillor Hindmarch.

Fin. 26 **WARD ESTIMATES/ACTUALS AS AT 30TH NOVEMBER 2023**

Approval was requested for ward estimates/actuals as at 30th November 2023.

RESOLVED: To recommend approval of the ward estimates/actuals as at 30th November 2023.
Proposed by Councillor Grantham and seconded by Councillor Turnbull.

Fin. 27 **BUDGET 2024/25**

The Members considered the draft budget report for 2024/25. Discussion took place regarding the draft budget.

RESOLVED: To recommend approval of the budget.
Proposed by Councillor Turnbull and seconded by Councillor Grantham.

Fin. 28 **WARD BUDGET 2024/25**

The Members considered the draft ward budget for 2024/25.

RESOLVED: To recommend approval of the budget.
Proposed by Councillor Grantham and seconded by Councillor Bonner.

Fin. 29 **PRECEPT**

The proposed budget for 2024/25 would require the Council to declare a Precept of £241,625 i.e. £44.88 per band D property, no increase on 2023/24. This would include the LCTRS grant of £902 from Durham County Council for 2024/25. The Parish Council would also be required to use £12,000 from reserves, to declare this Precept.

A vote took place on accepting the Precept as £241,625, using £12,000 from reserves and the LCTRS grant from Durham County Council of £902. All members present were in agreement of the above except Councillor Moor who was against. The vote was carried.

RESOLVED: To recommend that the Council approve the final precept at the full Council meeting on 19th January 2024.

The meeting closed at 8.05 pm

Signed .....

Date 19TH JANUARY 2024