

HALLING PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Finance Committee Meeting held virtually via Zoom on

Tuesday January 26th 2021 at 7pm

The meeting was held under the provisions of the Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020. And Section 78 of the Coronavirus Act 2020

Meeting commenced at 7pm

001/21 Those present.

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Meeting, the Chairman then did a roll call

Present was – Cllrs	G Wenham Chairman	Mrs S Chamberlain
	T Dolby V Chairman	G Chalker – Zoom Admin
		C Buckwell
		R Thorne

Also in attendance N Fursdon – Acting Clerk / Proper Officer / RFO

No members of the public attended.

All members and the Acting Clerk attended virtually via Zoom.

002/21 Apologies for absence – All Parish Councillors were present.

003/21 Declaration of any Pecuniary and / or Prejudicial Interests –

There were none disclosed by Cllrs.

The Acting Clerk declared an interest in item 009/21 – Confidential Personnel matters

004/21 Discuss and approve the 2021/2022 budget

The Acting Clerk had circulated a copy of the Budget and the Tax Base to all Cllrs prior to the Meeting.

Cllr Thorne – He thought that the Budget had been well thought out.
Possible more detail needed.
Feels that the Precept should stay the same.

Cllr Buckwell – He thought the Budget was well sort out.
Feels that the Precept should stay the same.
Felt that maybe reduced by £1,000.

Cllr Chamberlain – Felt that the election element should be reduced.

Cllr Buckwell – Explained that there is a need for the election element, in case of an election, there is a need to build this up.

Cllr Chalker – Looking at the Budget, there will be enough to cover any legal costs.

Cllr Buckwell – Proposed that the budget be approved.

Cllr Chalker – Seconded the proposal.

A roll call was called –	Cllr G Wenham – For	Mrs S Chamberlain – For
	T Dolby – For	G Chalker – For
	C Buckwell – For	R Thorne – For

The proposal was unanimously carried.

005/21 Discuss and decide the Precept Request for 2021/2022

Cllr Buckwell – Proposed that a recommendation be put to the Council that the Precept for 2021/2022 be set at £52,000.

Cllr Chalker – Seconded the proposal.

A roll call was called – Cllr G Wenham – For Mrs S Chamberlain – For
T Dolby – For G Chalker – For
C Buckwell – For R Thorne – For

The proposal was unanimously carried.

006/21 Discuss and approve the amended Finance Regulations

Cllrs debated this matter but felt that more amendments were needed.

007/21 (PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETING) ACT 1960 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND THE PUBLIC

To resolve that in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and by reason of the confidential nature of the remainder of the business, the Press and the Public are to be excluded from the Meeting. A vote will be taken.

A roll call was called – Cllr G Wenham – For Mrs S Chamberlain – For
T Dolby – For G Chalker – For
C Buckwell – For R Thorne – For

008/21 Members Declaration – Members in remote attendance are to ensure and verbally declare that there are no other persons present who are not entitled to be either hearing or seeing in consideration of such confidential items, and / or recording the proceedings.

The Chairman asked members to confirm and a roll call was taken

G Wenham Chairman – Confirmed Mrs S Chamberlain – Confirmed
T Dolby V Chairman – Confirmed G Chalker – Confirmed
C Buckwell – Confirmed
R Thorne – Confirmed

009/21 To Consider Confidential Personnel matters

Confidential Personnel matters were discussed

010/21 End of Meeting – 8pm