PENISTONE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Town Council to set the precept on February 1st 2016 in the I.T.Room, St. Johns Community Centre Penistone

Present: The Mayor Cllr. Millner in the Chair Cllrs Millner, Mrs. Hinchliff, Mrs. Rusby, Unsworth, Chadburn, Cutts, Ogle, Hand – Davis and Webber

Also present the Town Clerk K. Coulton and Finance Officer A.Hart

1) Apologies for absence – Cllrs Hinchliff, Kimberley and Hayler RESOLVED the apologies were accepted.

2) Declarations of Personal or Prejudicial Interest.

The Mayor invited declarations of which there were NONE

3) Town Council Precept 2016/17

Members were circulated with an up to date set of accounts for perusal for the Town Council and Paramount. These accounts were studied individually and a thorough explanation and answers to the satisfaction of members given on questions, by the **Finance Officer**.

Projects:

Cinema subsidy and fees, £20,000 for 2016/17

Gala Funding + bonfire £3,500.00

Section 137 £4,000.00

Church clock £200.00

Section 133 £450.00

Penistone in bloom £2,000.00

Christmas lights £7,000.00

Public Toilet refurbishment £11,000.00

Penistone Neighbourhood Development Plan £7,000.00

Earmarked Reserves £21,500.00 future liability for the Paramount and Town Hall

Improvements at the Community Centre:

General Maintenance - £3,170.00 Decorations - £3,500.00 Resource Centre cladding - £2,500.00 Bar Room new lights £660.00 I.T. Room new carpet £1315.00 Ladies W.C. new wash basin £700.00 Extension of the staff parking area £575.00 Improvements to the bus shelter £2,000.00

Civic Expenses

Mayors allowance £1,820.00 Public events £500.00 Photographs/ engraving £500.00 Website / Newsletter £750.00

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Income:

£12,600 per annum for the lease of the Resource Centre

Balances:

The reserves and cash balances are now slightly higher than at March 31st 2015

Following a brief discussion it was:

Proposed by **Cllr. Webber** and seconded by **Cllr.Unsworth**, it was **RESOLVED** to increase the precept by 1.5% and set the precept for 2016/17 at £158,830.00 precept and £9,860.00 council tax support grant **a total of £168,690.00** and that the expenditure for the financial year 2016/17 is monitored stringently.

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