

**MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE  
WVCA COMMUNITY HALL ON WEDNESDAY 31<sup>st</sup> JANUARY 2018 AT 7.45.p.m.**

Present: Cllrs: N Kirk (Chair), M Dury, M Godwin, P O'Leary, V Perry,  
Mrs. S Dyer (Clerk)

FIN/18/01 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**  
None.

FIN/18/02 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**  
The Clerk gave apologies from Mr T Griffin, who is unwell.

FIN/18/03 **TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS UNDER  
WHITCHURCH VILLAGE COUNCILS CODE OF CONDUCT  
(ADOPTED ON 7th NOVEMBER 2012)**  
None.

FIN/18/04 **TO RECEIVE, CONSIDER AND GRANT ANY DISPENSATIONS  
(FOR DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS)**  
None.

FIN/18/05 **TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE FINANCE MEETING HELD ON  
29<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2017**  
It was resolved that the minutes were a true record of the above meeting  
and they were signed accordingly by N Kirk (Chairman)

FIN/18/06 **TO NOTE THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE SETTLEMENT**  
The government's decision not to extend council tax referendum principles  
to parish or town councils for three years, was noted.

FIN/18/07 **TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE REGARDING PLANS FOR CiL & S106  
FUNDS**  
The Clerk has only recently written to the Utd Reformed Church and will  
write to B&NES regarding land for a new playpark. It was agreed that a  
sub-committee should be set up to look at the options on what these funds  
should be spent on. Mr Kirk suggested that we purchase flower planters to  
be placed at the entrances to the village to enhance the appearance of the  
village. A quote was received in 2016 to replace the remaining piece of  
fence along the A37 at the Playpark, which has been repaired several  
times, it was agreed to obtain an up to date quote for this.

FIN/18/08 **TO DISCUSS AND RECOMMEND CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FOR  
2018/2019**  
Other than items discussed above, there are no large items expected.

FIN/18/09

**TO SET THE BUDGET FOR 2018/2019 AND AGREE THE PRECEPT  
TO BE RECOMMENDED TO THE FULL COUNCIL**

Each item of the budget was considered at length and amendments made where necessary. It was noted the cemetery income to date is above the amount expected.

It was resolved to recommend that the precept for 2018/2019, is increased by £2,000 to £31,000.00, this will be a decrease of .67p per annum on Band D properties from 58.76 to 58.09.(The change in the Council Tax base figure enables this reduction). The majority of properties in the village are band D and below.

Meeting ended at 9.00p.m