



Bartestree with Lugwardine Parish Council

Minutes of the EO Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 27th May 2025 at 6.00pm in the Bartestree Village Hall.

Minutes

Present:

Councillors: Siobhan Green, Fiona Harris, Wendy Soilleux, Polly Smith, Ron Williams, David Welton (Chair), Paul Wargent, Andrew Thomas & Paul Hodges.

In Attendance:

Parish Clerk - Richard James
Public - 1 Member of the Public

The Chair informed local residents that, having sought advice from Herefordshire Association of Local Councils (HALC), no resolution will be taken to exclude the public. They are therefore very welcome to stay and listen to the Councillor's debate item 4 but not participate.

1. To receive apologies.

To Note – Apologies were received from Cllrs Jennifer Karayiannis and David Evans.

2. To receive declarations of interest and written requests for dispensations.

To Note – Council noted there were no declarations of interest and written requests for dispensations.

3. Open Session.

Members of Public

There were no questions from the members of the public, just a general statement saying they had come to listen.

4. To discuss matters relating to the Precept.

The Chair informed Councillors that having taken advice from Herefordshire Association of Local Councils (HALC) & Herefordshire Council S151 Department, councillors should consider the following resolutions:

RESOLUTION ONE

To reaffirm the resolution for minute 18 of the parish council meeting held on Thursday 16th January 2025: "The Council approved the budget of £65,625 for 2025/26."

Resolution – The Council agreed and approved to reaffirm the budget for 2025/26 at £65,625 as minuted previously on the 16th of January 2025 item 18.

RESOLUTION TWO

To reaffirm the resolution for minute 19 of the parish council meeting held on Thursday 16th January 2025: "The Council agreed and approved the precept of £99,400 for 2025/26"

Resolution – *The Council agreed and approved to reaffirm the precept for 2025/26 at £99,400,625 as minuted previously on the 16th of January 2025 item 19.*

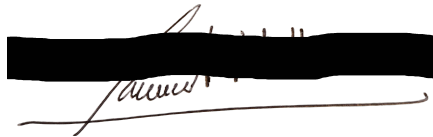
RESOLUTION THREE

To earmark the sum of £33,755 for the anticipated development of the Christopher Gibbons Field in a Precept Reserve Fund, to enable that sum to be taken into account when the precept for 2026/27 is being set.

Resolution three is necessary because a survey of local residents had since indicated that there was no support for the PC to seek a loan from the Public Works Loan Board (PWLB) for development on the Christopher Gibbons Field and it would not be value for money for the Parish Council to consider spending around £10k of public money in an effort to reimburse residents during the current financial year.

Resolution – *The Council agreed and approved to To earmark the sum of £33,755 for the anticipated development of the Christopher Gibbons Field in a Precept Reserve Fund, to enable that sum to be taken into account when the precept for 2026/27 is being set.*

The meeting was closed at 6.40pm.



Signed:

Cllr David Welton

Chair of the Parish Council

Dated: 5th June 2025