

**Minutes of the meeting of the Budget Advisory Committee  
of Dronfield Town Council held in the Council Chamber  
on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November at 9:30am**

**Present:** Cllr A. Foster (Chair), Cllr G Hopkinson, Cllr K Tait, Cllr R Welton and Cllr J Yates

**In attendance:** J. Mitchell (Town Clerk/Locum RFO)

**1. Apologies**

There were no apologies.

**2. Declaration of Interests**

There were no declarations of interest.

**3. Minutes**

Members reviewed the minutes of the Budget Advisory Committee meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024.

It was RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the Budget Advisory Committee meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024 as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Cllr J Yates joined the meeting.

**4. Outstanding Debt**

Members received an update on outstanding debts.

It was RESOLVED to note the update.

**5. 2024 – 2025 Budget**

Members reviewed the current budget up to month end 7.

It was RESOLVED to note the report.

It was RESOLVED to review the split of Staff Costs and Bowling Green Maintenance across the different sites and amend.

**6. Earmarked Reserves**

Members reviewed the current earmarked reserves.

It was RESOLVED to note the current earmarked reserves and the estimated transfers out for the Civic Hall, Tree Works and Replacement Vehicles and transfers in for Elections and By-Elections.

Cllr A Foster moved a motion to resolve that in view of the confidential nature of the items to be discussed, the committee pass the formal resolution to exclude

the press and public from the meeting, pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 section 1 paragraph 2 & the Local Government (Access to Information) Act (due to the sensitive nature of the issues being discussed).

It was RESOLVED to exclude the press and public from the meeting.

#### **7. 2025 – 2026 Budget**

Members reviewed and discussed draft budget options for the 2025-2026 financial year.

It was RESOLVED to note the options and discuss further at the next committee meeting.

#### **8. Precept Request**

Members were informed that NEDDC had requested precept information by 10<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

It was RESOLVED to write back to NEDDC to request an extension to this date to submit information at the start of February following the Council Meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> February.

#### **9. Date of next meeting**

It was RESOLVED to hold the next meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> December at 9:30am

Meeting closed 10.10am.