# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE HELD 3rd January 2019

**Councillors Present:** Cllr. Ian Corben, Cllr. Jerry Hall, Cllr. Cliff Morris, Cllr. Derek Pretty (Chairman), Cllr. Chris Yates

#### F856 Apologies

Cllr. Keith House, Cllr. Jane Welsh

#### F857 To consider the Minutes of the meeting held 4 December 2018

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 4 December 2018 be signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

#### F858 Correspondence

An email had been received from Eastleigh Borough Council regarding the renewal of the lease from HCC to the local Scout Association of land adjoining Drummond Road car park. If HCC grant an extension to the Scouts it will require HETC to extend the permission for access across our car park. Approved unanimously to grant extension if needed

#### F859 Matters to be Resolved

### Approve BACS Hedge End Town Council Expenditure for November 2018

In the absence of Council Officers the Chairman reported that unfortunately bank balances were not available as normal.

#### **RESOLVED**

That the Town Council approves the BACS Hedge End Town Council expenditure for December 2018

#### F860 Matters for Recommendation

## To discuss and approve a budget for the Hedge End Town Council for 2019/2010

The Chair referred members to the detailed tabled budget and

accompanying papers explaining the budget and the relevant calculations on the precept and the taxbase impacts. Members considered the budget, noting an increase in the taxbase due to new property completions and the Community Governance Review in some detail and that this contained all the project wish lists discussed. Members unanimously agreed that to ensure prudency the Hedge End Town Council Council Tax should rise by 1.5% to a level of £89.87 for a Band D property, from £88.54 (2018/2019).

The committee noted this is the first actual increase in some years and noted this to be a below inflation increase.

The Precept requirement would be £695,233.42 with a reduced Support Grant of £20000 = £715, 233.42.

Therefore, this would be £695,233.42 (Precept) divided by 7535.99 (taxbase) = £89.87.

Motion Carried.

It was Proposed by Cllr. Derek Pretty, Seconded by Cllr. Ian Corben and unanimously agreed to increase the Council Tax for Hedge End Town Council or 2019/2020 by 1.5% and approve the budget as presented and to make this recommendation for formal Resolution at the January Full Council meeting.

There being no further business to transact, the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.35pm.