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Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance Committee held on 8 January 2018, at Upton Pavilion, Upton, Chester.

Present: Cllr A Bennion (Chairman), Cllr S Eardley, Cllr J Evans, Cllr J Houlbrook,

Cllr J Lee, Cllr H McNae, Cllr A Paddock and Cllr F Samuel.

In attendance: Mrs S Pollard (Clerk).

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Vaughan and Cllr Walmsley.

**Resolved: noted.**

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

No declarations of interest were made.

**3. MINUTES.**

**Resolved: the Minutes of the Meeting held on 27th November 2017 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.**

**Proposed by Cllr Evans, seconded by Cllr Samuel.**

**4. BUDGET 2018/19.**

The tax base figures from CW&C Council were circulated. The clerk presented a final draft budget and provided three options for the precept.

It was confirmed that we will be operating under ‘Year 2’ of the Pavilion Pricing Strategy from April 2018.

**Resolved: the draft budget is approved.**

**The Chairman and clerk will look in more detail at the pavilion income figures to see where specific targets were met.**

**The clerk will review the Auditors briefing and Terms &Conditions to establish the scope of their responsibility for auditing the Parish Council’s VAT obligations.**

**The precept will be set at £ which will result in a reduction of 4% on charges to the council tax payer in Upton.**

**Proposed by Cllr Houlbrook, seconded by Cllr Paddock.**

**Vote: 5 For / 3 Against**

**Motion carried and will go forward as a recommendation to the full Parish Council.**

**5. PRECEPT.**

See above.

**6. SPONSORSHIP.**

**Resolved: the amended draft sponsorship policy will be further amended under the section ‘Termination’ – to adjust references to the repayment of sponsorship funding if an event or project is cancelled. The policy will be re-circulated once amended.**

**7. DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING.**

**Resolved: the next meeting of the Finance Committee will be on Monday 5th March at 7pm.**