

Skipwith Parish Council Extraordinary Meeting Minutes on Monday, 5th December 2022 at 8.00pm

Present: Councillors Jonathon Morgan (JM) Chairman, Mike Ward (MW) Vice-Chairman, Kate Baxter (KB), Sharon Worrall (SW), Jeremy Gerken (JK)

Parish Clerk: Isobel Greatrex (IG)

Item No.	Discussion	Action by	Due Date
068.	To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence None		
069	Declarations of interest not already declared under the council's Code of Conduct or members Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests All Councillors.		
070	To decide if a precept should be raised for 2022/23. A thorough and considered discussion took place regarding whether to raise a precept for the forthcoming financial year. The Parish Council's reserves have been decreasing year on year for some time and are now somewhat diminished. To aid decision making the PC reviewed the budget yet again for 2023/24, including the forecast spend until the end of this year and the general annual maintenance costs. Current funds are £42,675 but the remaining forecast spend for this financial year is £19,980 (which includes £15,000 for the establishment of the recreation area), added to which are forecasted general maintenance costs of £10,000 for 2023/24. This leaves remaining funds to be £12,695 as at March 2024, although this figure does not include any mitigation for unexpected costs which may arise. It was agreed that it would be prudent to aim for ongoing reserves of £12,000. Therefore, it was unanimously agreed to raise a precept of £10,000 for 2023/24 to ensure continued investment in the village.		
	Meeting closed at 9.05pm. The next PC meeting will be held on Monday, 9th January at 8.00pm.		