



**NAILSWORTH TOWN COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES of a MEETING of Nailsworth Town Council**  
 held at the Town Hall, Nailsworth  
**on Tuesday 27 November 2018**

Present	Cllr Jonathan Duckworth Cllr Emma Bonner Cllr Anne Elliott Cllr Sally Millett Cllr Paul Francis Cllr Mike Kelly Cllr Steve Robinson
Minutes	Katherine Kearns (Clerk)
Apologies	Cllr Ron Kerby Cllr Robert Maitland Cllr Sue Reed Cllr Angela Norman

Ref. No		Action
<b>2018/150</b>	<b>Verbal introductions and safety briefing</b> Everyone introduced themselves. Cllr Paul Francis will help Cllr Mike Kelly in the event of a fire.	
<b>2018/151</b>	<b>Matters of Urgency</b> Council was sad to note the passing of former Mayor Mrs Jenny Evans and in recognition of her service to the town and council observed one minute of silence. Her funeral will be held on Friday 14 December, 1.30pm at St George's church.	
<b>2018/152</b>	<b>Declarations of Interest &amp; Applications for Dispensations</b> There were none declared.	
<b>2018/153</b>	<b>Consideration of Annual Budget 2019/2020</b> The council was invited to consider the Annual Budget.  The query raised prior to the meeting regarding Town Hall repair and maintenance costs had been answered by the Clerk and councillors were happy with the response. It was suggested to increase the Town Hall repair and maintenance budget from £6,000 to £8,000. A building survey has recently been completed and quotes will be needed for work. Council will need to take a view on what action to take, including the larger question of the future of the Town Hall.  It was proposed to move the TIC loan (capital and interest) repayments from the TIC budget heading into the Civic Centre heading to reflect the cost of this part of the building more accurately.  There was a discussion about whether the Town Crier's allowance and the Mayor's allowance should be increase by £30. The Mayor did not take part in this discussion.	



	<p>It was <b>resolved</b> to consider <del>these two allowances</del> the Mayor's allowance at next year's Annual Budget meeting. It was agreed to increase the Town Crier's allowance from £470 to £500. Proposed Cllr Steve Robinson, seconded Cllr Anne Elliott, all agreed.</p> <p>It was noted that SDC plan to give each Market Town £2,000 towards tourism promotion as a one-off windfall to offset the closure of Stroud's Tourist Information Centre.</p> <p>It was noted that Council considered the financial implications of the Civic Centre project and noted NTC may need to allocate more funds for this project as it progresses.</p> <p>'Free reserves' of £34,000 are held (once the recommended three month's running costs are taken out) and will need to be allocated to reserves as Council's liabilities become clearer. Council is in a process of assessing those liabilities.</p> <p>It was <b>resolved</b> to agree the budget for 2019/20. The Precept will be £307,290 as against £300,780 last year, representing an increase of 2.16%</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Jonathan Duckworth, seconded Cllr Steve Robinson, all agreed.</p>	
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