



AGENDA FOR THE BUDGET MEETING – 11th January 2021

VENUE: Trawden Community Centre

Meeting to take place via Zoom TIME: 7.00PM

1. Accept apologies from Councillors unable to attend
2. To agree Minutes of previous meeting
3. Declaration of Interest
Members are to be reminded of the requirements of the member Code of Conduct concerning the declaration of interests
- 1. Friends of Trawden Playground**
Sam Eastell, Chair of Friends of Trawden Playground update. Sam to supply information relevant to their plans to make alterations to the Parish Council Playground at Lanehouse Lane.
- 2. Payments**
Councillors to consider the following payments:
£172.50 Lengersman Hours
£36 for Mercer Print thank you cards.
- 3. Councillors to discuss and comment on proposals from Lancashire County Council, Council Tax increase**
Lancashire County council have asked Councillors to comment whether their increase of the maximum of 4% is acceptable. 3% of this would be solely for Adult Social Care.
- 4. Trawden Arms.**
Councillors to consider that there are at least 2 people who are interested in this. The Clerk has an offer of £10k investment in the Asset of Community Value, and an individual who has spoken to other residents who are also interested. Steven Wilcock is going to put his individual in touch with the Plunkett Foundation who will offer advice about how to proceed with a purchase. I've also had a conversation with another individual who works in the pub trade who advises that the Trawden Arms needs to be revalued (general rule is a pub is worth 10 x its annual profit). Do Councillors agree that the Clerk goes back to Neil Watson with a formal acknowledgement that there is interest in the community purchasing the pub?
- 5. Application for Grants**
Councillors to consider a bid received from Trawden School for funding for their Forest School. Information sent to all prior to the meeting.

Councillors to also consider a request for funds from the Bowling Club. £500 for general maintenance of the green and machinery. New signage and sanitiser stations. Would

Councillors agree to this? As we are in lockdown, should we put this into the budget for 2021/2?

6. Budget

Chairman Hodgson and the Clerk amended the budget proposals as given at the December meeting, and Councillors must consider the 3 alternatives to agree the budget for 2021/2 and precept amount to be requested.