

**WIGTON TOWN COUNCIL**  
**A VIRTUAL MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE WAS HELD ON**  
**MONDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2021 AT 6.00 PM**

**PRESENT** Councillors Ferriby, Lynch, Hodson and Williams

**FIN/20/2020 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES & RECORD REASONS FOR ABSENCE**

None

**FIN/21/2020 APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON 10<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2020**

Minutes approved

**FIN/22/2020 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/DISPENSATIONS**

None

**FIN/23/2020 BUDGET AND PRECEPT 2021/22**

Council tax base was received on 7<sup>th</sup> January from ABC and an amended precept calculation was emailed to members.

Cllr Hodson asked how ABC worked out the council tax base for the year. Clerk to find out information and pass on to the group.

The committee discussed the budget and precept and decided they would recommend the budget with a £30k increase in precept.

Cllr Hodson was uncomfortable with the amount of precept increase. She suggested we look at reducing the donation to Wigton Baths from £10,000 to £8,000, the Cemetery Grant from £10,000 to £8,000 and possibly look at reducing the costs for the toilets as we have reduced the number of toilets in use at present.

A discussion took place and a proposal was put forward by Cllr Ferriby.

Proposal - Cllr Ferriby recommended that they agree the budget and an increase of £30k on the precept. Seconded by Cllr Williams

Vote taken – Yes 3 No 1

The recommendation will go forward to the Full Council on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> January.

**FIN/24/2020 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Date of next meeting – Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021 at 1.00pm

Meeting closed at 6.30pm