



**Minutes of Kingsclere Parish Council Extraordinary Finance &
Establishment Meeting, held at 7.30pm on Monday 19th January 2015 at
the Village Club**

F&E 01/15 Present: Cllrs. Denness (chair); Farey; Sawyer: S Thompson – Clerk **Action**

01/15.1 Apologies: Cllr R Peach

01/15.2 Declarations of interest: None:

01/15.3 Revisit Budget & Precept following confirmation of figures from B&DBC:

This extra meeting has been convened to discuss the impact of changes in the Tax Base Rates; the Borough Grants and our own budgetary requirements.

- i. The NP Budget of £5,000 was confirmed.
 - ii. It was agreed to increase the Advertising budget to £2,000
 - iii. The budget for work on the allotment fence of £3,730 (incl vat)
 - iv. The start-up budget of £3,000 for the community library was confirmed
 - v. It was agreed that we do not need a budget for the Public Toilets in 2015/16
- BDBC figures have been confirmed as follows:
- i. Grass cutting and closed churchyard maintenance grant has increased from £4,380 to £4,933
 - ii. Litter Warden Grant has increased from £4,922 to £5,566
 - iii. The Council Tax Support Grant (CTS) has increased from £3,778 to £3,903
 - iv. The Parish Limited Grant remains at £1,100

Our proposed Precept increase was based on 2014/2015 figures and set at 2%. This was ratified at OM on 24th November 2014. Whilst the increase in the litter warden grant will be absorbed in employment costs the additional grants have increased sufficiently to allow us to readjust our Precept request. It was **agreed** that the committee recommend the new increase figure in our Precept of 1.5%. This will be on the Agenda for ratification by the full council at the next OM on 26th January 2015.

Last date for submission of the Precept request is 31st January 2015.

01/15.9 Date of Next Meeting:
Monday 16th March 2015 7:30pm in The Holding Room at The Village Club.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8:15pm

Signed:.....
Chairman

Date:.....

Signed:.....
Parish Clerk

Date:.....