

**Draft Minutes of Denbigh Town Council Special meeting held on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2025 at 6.30pm via Hybrid.**

**Present: Face to Face Councillors:** Pauline Edwards, Alyn Ashworth, Gaynor Wood-Tickle, Roy Tickle, Gaynor Morgan Rees, Sylvia Jennings, Andrew Hine, Sioned Garrod, Matthew Jones, Robert Davies; Jenny Barlow (Town Clerk); Jo Davies (Assistant)

**Via Zoom:** Cllr Philip Stevens

**Apologies:** Cllr Jan Tomlinson

Deputy Mayor Pauline Edwards Chaired the meeting in the absence of the Mayor Jan Tomlinson. Cllr Edwards welcomed all to the January Special Budget Council Meeting.

**131 Declaration of Personal Interest:**

<b>Councillor</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Prejudicial/Personal</b>
Roy Tickle	3 – Town Hall budget	Prejudicial
Gaynor Wood Tickle	3 – Town Hall budget	Prejudicial

**132. To discuss and prepare the councils spending budget for the financial year 2025/2026 following Town Clerk’s presentation.**

The Town Clerk presented the Town Councillors with financial reports relating to the current budget, up to date expenditure as well as potential payments to be made until the end of the financial year.

The Town Clerk gave a presentation detailing each financial topic within the Town Council’s annual expenditure.

This included looking at the finances in details to ensure that all expenditure were included. The Clerk confirmed that the budget for 2025/2026 would be £365,950.00

The Clerk allowed time for the Cllrs to digest the information provided and then actioned a question and answer session.

The questions were all answered and the budget for the coming year was **agreed and accepted.**

**133. To discuss and set a precept figure for the financial year 2025/2026.**

**133.1** The clerk gave information relating to the amounts required to cover the expenditure for the coming year.

**133.2** Cllr Philip Stevens proposed that the precept remain at £66.00 per household per annum (Band D), this was seconded by Cllr Gaynor Morgan-Rees. No other votes for this proposal.

**133.3** A counter proposal was made by Cllr Roy Tickle that the precept be increased to £70.00 per household per annum (Band D). This was seconded by Cllr Andrew Hine and 6 Votes were counted for this proposal.

**133.4** A 3rd proposal was made by Cllr Alyn Ashworth that the precept be increased to £71.00 per household per annum (Band D). This was seconded by Cllr Sylvia Jennings and 3 Votes were counted for this proposal.

**133.5** This was discussed by the councillors and a precept amount of £70 per household was agreed (band D).

This would give a precept figure of £261,240.00 as well as using £81,210 from reserves.

Both the expenditure figure and precept figures were agreed by the councillors.

***The chairman closed the meeting at 19.35.***

Signed:.....(Chairman)

Date:.....