### **HEDON TOWN COUNCIL**

#### Minutes of the Proceedings of a Meeting of the

### Hedon Town Council

held at the Town Hall, St Augustine's Gate, Hedon

# 18 January 2024

- Present: Councillor Gallant in the Chair Councillors: Mrs S Banks, J Brindley, Mrs B Goldspink, P Hinch, Mrs G Pocklington, Miss S Rommell, D Thompson and Mrs S Wright
- <u>Apologies for Absence</u> Apologies were received from Cllrs: C Billany (illness), J Dennis (prior commitment) and Miss D Storr (prior commitment) **Resolved:** that apologies were accepted

#### 2. <u>Declaration of Interests</u>

- 2.1 It was agreed that any declaration of interest be dealt with at the time the relevant item was discussed.
- 2.2 There were no dispensations to be noted.
- 3. <u>To Consider Budget and Precept for 2024/2025</u>

Cllrs discussed the previously circulated budget information. It was noted that other Councils had raised precepts as much as 30%. Members were mindful of the current financial crisis balanced with rising prices impacting on the Council's expenditure and the need to maintain robust reserves. It was noted that the Council, over the previous 3 financial years, only raised the precept by 3%, that being in the third year. Members agreed an acceptable increase the and the precept was set at £256,000, a £15.19 increase per year on a Band D equivalent property and a 15% increase precept year-on-year, 4.5% increase across 4 years.

**Resolved:** that a precept of £256,600 was approved (an overall increase in the precept equating to a £15.19 per year increase on a Band D equivalent property)

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_

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