

**THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
MONK HESLEDEN PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON 2nd DECEMBER 2024**

Present: Councillor G M Crute (Chair)
Councillors: S Childs, O Deinali, S Deinali, G Duddin, H Smiles & N Thompson

Officer: Mrs L A Wardle (Parish Clerk)

mh24-2595 **TO RECEIVE & ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillors' R Bowes, L Davison, A Mason, G Morris & A Paterson

RESOLVED apologies are received and accepted

mh24-2596 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

None received

mh24-2597 **TO AGREE BUDGET 2025-26**

A detailed report had been distributed with the agenda, showing the proposed budget for 2025-26 together with the summary of requirements.

A discussion took place with regards to Government's proposed rise in National Insurance contributions from April 2025 and the impact upon expenditure, the report also included the projected costs of the Blackhall Welfare Park Project.

Review of Council IT (mh24-2547)

The Clerk presented costings received from 4 providers for both the purchases of 1 x laptop and 4 tablets together with the monthly costs. The Clerk advised the main difference in the monthly cost is the proposed service level agreement.

RESOLVED the information is received and the budget for 2025-26 is approved
FURTHER RESOLVED Document Solutions are awarded the IT contract over a 24-month term, effective from February 2025

mh24-2598 **TO DETERMINE THE PARISH PRECEPT 2025-26**

The report which had been circulated, was reviewed and discussed and members questions were answered by the Clerk.

RESOLVED to set 2025-26 precept at £318417.00 which equates to an increase of 2% to Band D Council Tax

mh24-2599 **TO APPROVE DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO CLERK- DECEMBER PAYMENTS**

The Clerk requested delegated authority to make payments which fall due before the next meeting to be held 20th January 2025

RESOLVED the Clerk be given approval to make all necessary payments

mh24-25100

DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Monday 20th January 2025 at the Council Office.

RESOLVED that the information be received

CERTIFIED AS A TRUE RECORD

Chairman

Date