

Minutes of a **Precept** meeting of **The Full Council** of Buckingham Town Council held on Monday 27th January 2025 at 7pm in the Council Chamber, Cornwalls Meadow, Buckingham.

Present: Cllr. T. Allen
Cllr. M. Cole JP
Cllr. F. Davies Vice Chair
Cllr. L. Draper
Cllr. J. Harvey
Cllr. A. Mahi
Cllr. H. Mordue
Cllr. J. Mordue
Cllr. L. O'Donoghue
Cllr. A. Ralph
Cllr. A. Schaefer Town Mayor
Cllr. R. Stuchbury
Cllr. M. Try

Also present: Ms. C. Molyneux Town Clerk
Ms. P. Cahill Committee Clerk

Absent: Cllr. R. Ahmed
Cllr. G. Collins
Cllr. M. Gateley
Cllr. A. Osibogun

No members of the public attended and so there was no public session.

513/23 Apologies for absence

Members received and accepted apologies from Cllr. Ahmed, Cllr. Collins, Cllr. Gateley and Cllr. Osibogun.

514/23 Declarations of interest

There were none.

515/24 Budget and precept 2025-2026

Members received a report from the Town Clerk.

1.1 It is recommended that Members agree the attached budget for the 2025-2026 financial year.

1.2 It is recommended that the total funding requirement for 2025/26 to be levied on Buckinghamshire Council be set at £1,307,690, which is a 5.58% increase and rises a band D property from £220.96 to £233.28, an increase of £12.32 a year.

Cllr. Stuchbury thanked Committee Chairs and Members thanked the Town Clerk.

Cllr. Stuchbury Proposed, Cllr. Davies Seconded and Members unanimously **AGREED** the recommendations.

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516/24 Precept 2025/26

Cllr. Harvey Proposed, Cllr. Davies Seconded and Members unanimously **PASSED** a resolution agreeing that the total funding requirement for 2025/26 to be levied on Buckinghamshire Council be set at £1,307,690.

517/24 Buckingham Neighbourhood Development Plan

Members received a report from the Compliance and Projects Manager.

It is recommended that Buckingham Town Council consent for Buckinghamshire Council to appoint Mr. Andrew Ashcroft as the independent examiner for the new Buckingham Neighbourhood Development Plan.

Cllr. Cole Proposed, Cllr. Ralph Seconded and Members unanimously **AGREED** the recommendation.

Members thanked Cllr. Cole, Cllr. Ralph and Officers for their work.

518/24 Chair's announcements – for information only

The Chair thanked Members who attended the Holocaust Memorial event this morning. The banner, made by students at Furze Down School, is now displayed in the Chamber window. The poetry and pictures brought along by students from the Bourton Meadow Academy were fantastic.

The Chair informed Members that she has signed the first part of the new Twinning Agreement with Valmadrera and was presented with the key to the town. A reciprocal visit will be arranged with a small delegation from Valmadrera.

519/24 Date of the next meeting:

Interim Council (preceded by an informal meeting): Monday 24th February 2025
Full Council: Monday 17th March 2025

Meeting closed at 7:14pm

Signed Date