

**MINUTES OF THE PRECEPT MEETING OF BUCKINGHAM TOWN COUNCIL HELD
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON 29th JANUARY 2007 at 7 pm.**

<u>PRESENT</u>	Councillors	J. Barnett H. Cadd P. Collins (Mayor) Mrs. P. Desorgher D. Isham R. Lehmann H Lewis (arrived at 7.30pm) H. Mordue R. Newell Mrs. P. Stevens Mrs. C. Strain-Clark P. Strain-Clark R. Stuchbury
	Town Clerk	Ms. P. J. Heath

APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors G. Loftus and Mrs. H. Saul.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members noted that this had not been shown as a separate item on the agenda as Members were asked to declare their interest at the appropriate time.

BUDGET 2006/2007

Member discussed at great length, and in detail, the figures sent with the agenda.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

101 WAGES

4001 Town Clerk	£31053
Deputy Town Clerk	£20399
4002 Clerical Assistants	£9755
4003 Caretaker	£12133
4005 National Ins. Ers	£5461
4006 Pension Ers	£11268
4007 Staff Travel	£500
4008 Wages Fee	£30

102 OFFICE EXPENSES

4010 Stationery	£1000
4011 Postage	£600
4012 Photocopier	£400
4013 Equipment Purchase	£1500
4014 Audit Fee	£2200

4015 Advertising	£2000
4017 Subscription	£1800
4018 Telephone	£1200
4019 Hire of halls	£500
4020 Mayor's Allowance	£2700
4021 Hospitality	£100
4022 Insurance	£11000
4023 Training & Conference	£1200
4024 Bank Charges	£350
4025 Legal Fees	£2000
4028 Councillor's mileage	£200
4029 Information Service	£110
4030 Petty Cash	£250
4031 Protective Clothing	£250
4032 Rates Leaflet/Annual Report	£1500
4038 Computer repairs and maintenance	£500
4080 May elections	£5500

120 GRANTS

4070 Grants		£10450
ATC	£250	
Aylesbury Vale Dial a Ride	£500	
Bourton Road Allotments	£250	
Buck. Community Care Forum	£250	
Buck. Horticultural Society	£250	
Buckingham 3 rd Scouts	£500	
Buck. Age Concern	£250	
Buckingham Baby Café	£300	
Buck. Canal Society	£100	
Centre for the Arts (The Film Place)	£1200	
Buck. Society	£100	
Summer Festival	£750	
Buck. Tea Dance	£150	
West End Bowls Club	£150	
CAB	£1100	
Fremantle Trust	£500	
North Bucks. Care for Carers	£200	
St Peter & St Paul's	£200	
PSL	£1000	
TV & Chiltern Air Ambulances	£500	
Old Gaolers	£250	
Buck. Fair Trade	£100	
Buck. Pre-School Play Group	£100	
Friends of Maids Moreton Avenue and Holloway Spinney	£300	
Vitalise	£200	
Buckingham General Charities	£500	
Buckingham Athletic Football Club	£300	
Well Street Church	£200	

125 SECTION 137

Remembrance Day Wreath	£20
Mayor's Salver	£75

130 ADMIN RESERVES (INCOME)

1190 Interest Received -£7000

131 MAJOR PROJECTS

4079 Public toilets £2600
4084 Community Centre cash flow underwrite £10000
4085 Community Centre capital fund £6000
Buckingham Heritage Trust £3000
4096 All Weather pitch £700
4152 Quality Parish Status Registration £250

407 MAJOR BUILDING WORKS

Fees and Professional Charges £20000

132 CONTINGENCIES

4086 Youth Centre £5000
4500 Contingencies £15000

PLANNING

4019 Hall Hire £100
4023 Training £100

ENVIRONMENT AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE**201 PROPERTY PURCHASE**

4112 Equipment £1000
4101 Seats & Bins £1000

202 ROUNDABOUTS

4108 Sponsorship income -£8800
4108 Expenditure £5800

203 MAINTENANCE

4051 Repairs and Renewals Office £1200
4052 Heat Light Power £1400
4053 Overn Crescent £2600
4055 Alarm £220
4057 War Memorial £500
4058 Car Parking £25000
4063 Vehicle running costs £1500
4082 Allotments agreement £500
4094 Youth projects £2000
4102 Dog Bins £4418
4103 Railway Walk £3705
4105 Ken Tagg Play Area £500

401 CHANDOS PARK

1030	Bowls Pavilion income	-£1800
1035	Tennis Club Lease	-£750
4225	Rates	£1460
4601	Repairs and Renewals	£1000
4602	Electricity	£1000
4603	Water	£1000
4605	Horticultural work	£13600
	Bowls Pavilion and Green	£7000

402 BOURTON PARK

4601	Repairs and Renewals	£1000
4605	Horticultural Work	£37500
	New gates Senior play area	£2000

403 CEMETERY

1031	Burials VAT-able	-£100
1032	Burials Non VAT-able	-£9100
4225	Rates	£640
4601	Repairs and Renewals	£2000
4602	Electricity	£1200
4603	Water	£600
4605	Horticultural Work	£20000
4620	Burial costs	£6000
4609	Repair/Running Exps of Lodge	£5000
	Cemetery Lodge loan repayments	£4704

404 CHANDOS PARK TOILETS

4612	Service Contracts	£12000
	Repair of footpaths	£14072

405 GENERAL REPAIRS

	Tree Survey	£3500
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406 OPEN SPACES

	Maintenance Heartland and Transferred areas	£10000
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301 EVENTS COMMITTEE

4104	Town in Bloom	£8320
4115	River Rinse	£156
4201	Christmas Lights	£11300
4202	Fireworks Display	£4110
4203	Community Fair	£189
4204	Charter Fair	£900
4205	Christmas Parade	£2500
4206	Week in the Park	£2704

4208 Spring Festival	£3515
4228 Entertainment	£1622
Barriers/Tabards	£1000
Band Jam	£1500
Signs	£1500

302 STREET MARKETS

1001 Rental Income	-£31200
1004 Farmers Market Rent	-£936
4225 Rates	£5450
4226 Supervisors	£1190
4227 Advertisement	£1040
4229 Sundry Expenditure	£541
4602 Electricity Farmers Market	£433
Subscription to NABMA	£333

303 SPECIAL EVENTS

4260 Twinning	£582
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133 LONG TERM ADMINISTRATION RESERVES

4081 Parade Signs permission	£1100
4083 Capital Reserve	£81000
Council Vehicle Replacement	£1000

Total Revenue Budget £469671

Precept Total £309671

Precept at Band D (4308.06 houses) £71.88

Following a detailed discussion, it was proposed by Cllr. Stuchbury, seconded by Cllr. Newell, that this Council levies a precept of 7.89% being a band D yearly amount of £71.88.

An amendment was proposed by Cllr. Lehmann, seconded by Cllr. Isham, that the Council should remove £10k from the major building works and £5k from contingencies and therefore set a £2.66% increase; the amendment fell by 7 votes to 6.

An amendment was proposed by Cllr. Barnett, seconded by Cllr. Isham, that the Council should remove £5k from contingencies and £3k from the major building works; the amendment fell by 7 votes to 6.

Cllr. Lehmann and 3 other councillors under Standing Order number 13a called for a recorded vote on the motion.

Yes to a 7.89% increase

Cllr. Mordue, Cllr. Newell, Cllr. Desorgher, Cllr. P. Strain-Clark, Cllr. Stuchbury, Cllr. Mrs. C. Strain-Clark, Cllr. Stevens, Cllr. Collins.

No to a 7.89% increase
Cllr. Isham, Cllr. Cadd, Cllr. Lewis, Cllr. Barnett, Cllr. Lehmann.
The motion was passed by 8 votes to 5

Proposed by Cllr Mordue, seconded by Cllr. Newell, and **RESOLVED** that Buckingham
Town Council sets a precept of £309671.

Meeting closed at 8.00 pm.

CHAIRMAN DATE