

RAMSEY TOWN COMMISSIONERS

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A Special Board Meeting of the Ramsey Town Commissioners was held in Town Hall, Parliament Square, Ramsey, on Wednesday, 4th December, 2019, at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Mrs J. Wedgwood, Messrs', W. L. Hankin, N. Howard, J. McGuinness, G. Monk, A. J. Oldham, L. Parker, F. B. R. Williams and W. G. Young.

Apologies: Mesdames M. B. Quayle and Revd Canon N. D. Greenwood and Mr A. G. Cowie.

The Town Clerk, Deputy Town Clerk, Finance Officer, Technical Services Manager, and Housing and Property Manager were in attendance.


Mr. L. Parker occupied the Chair.

(2019/20:225) Budget estimates

The Finance Officer presented a report outlining base line budgets for the 2020/21 financial year with the exclusion of any one-off provision for the current year and excluding any proposals for additional expenditure or schemes.

The Finance Officer also provided a narrative report to the draft figures which were noted as being presented for initial review prior to a future meeting at which any new spending proposals would be reported, and at which further detail of existing budgets which might be sought by Members would be presented.

The Commission noted that the Rateable Value of the town for budget purposes was reported as being £711,018, increased from £700,620 in the current year. The Finance Officer led a discussion on the existing budget heads and the following matters were noted, and would be further reported:-

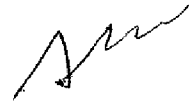
- A potential capital scheme to improve emergency access to the former Swimming Pool Premises
 - A review of the total domestic waste arising's having regard for the impact of additional housing in new developments.
 - A submission is proposed in relation to the replacement of one of the existing Refuse Collection Vehicles.
 - Civic Amenity Site budget to be report following consideration by the northern Civic Amenity Site Committee.
 - A proposal for replacement of older light columns within the town.
 - Provision for increased budgetary provision for the 2020 SprintFest event following agreement at the September 2019 meeting.
 - Arboriculture training budget for parks staff is expected to be substantially expended in the current financial year.
 - Current year provision for facilities at North Beach are expected to be substantially expended in the current year.
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- Provision will be required for election expenses, expected to be in the region of £7,500, in relation to the 2020 general local authority election.
- An adjustment to the budget figures will be required to reflect payment received under the overage agreement for Poyll Dhooy which are required to be treated as an unapplied capital receipt. Those monies would be available for application for schemes of a capital nature.
- Any monies received in lieu of public open space provision in new development must be plied to improvement or additional to recreational facilities and not subsumed into the rate fund.

Members noted that a further meeting is scheduled to be held on 8th January, 2020, and were requested to review the tabled documentation and to take the opportunity to discuss any further information required or clarification through the Finance Officer or senior officers.

The meeting closed at 8:15 p.m. giving a time of 1½ hours for the payment of attendance allowances.



Chairman.