Holybrook Parish Council



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Full Council Meeting: Monday 13th February 2023

'Information Items' - Written Report

1) Financial Information

- a) The precept demand was submitted to West Berkshire Council on 25th January 2023. The Council usually receives its first payment in April and the second in approximately September.
- b) The insurance renewal quote, for financial year 2023/24, has been received and is £5,615.17. This is slightly above the figure budgeted for of £5,228.00.
- c) NALC has advised that the trade unions, representing local government services, have submitted their 2023/24 pay claim. 'The main element of the claim is RPI plus 2%, a likely total of 12.7%. The employer's side of the NJC will be meeting and holding briefings in February'. This is a significant claim which will be subject to negotiation. Members should note that this value, should it be agreed, is significantly above the budgeted figure for 2023/24.

2) West Berkshire Council Planning decisions – Information Item:

22/02905/HOUSE: 14 Piercefield, Calcot, Reading, RG31 7AS – Erection of first floor extension above existing garage. **GRANTED.**

22/00406/COND1: 3 Goodwin Close, Calcot, Reading, RG31 7ZW - Application for Approval of Details Reserved by Conditions 4 (Landscaping), 5 (Parking layout), 6 (EVCP), 7 (Formal surveillance) and 11 (Refuse storage) of planning permission 21/00488/FUL - Proposed Change of Use of Dwellinghouse (C3) to Residential Care Accommodation (C2). **REFUSED.**

3) Tree Preservation Order

Members are advised that the three 'Blossom into Spring' memorial cherry trees, which were planted on 'Land north of 81 Underwood Road', have had a Tree Preservation order applied.

4) British Sign Language Course

Members are advised that the interactive British Sign Language course will take place in the Beansheaf Centre on Thursday 1st June 2023 from 13:00 until 17:00. The course can accommodate a maximum of 30 people.