

## NORTON-ON-DERWENT TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Town council Budget meeting held in the Council Chamber  
Commercial Street, Norton-on-Derwent on Monday, 20 December at 6.30pm.

- PRESENT** Councillor P. Farndale (Town Mayor) in the Chair.  
Councillors Mrs J Denniss, J. Gray, A.R. Harrison, Mrs M. Hodgson, Mrs D. Keal, R. King, D. Lloyd-Williams, R. Milner, H. Spencer. J.T. Stone.  
Also the Town Clerk, Mrs R. Tierney.
130. (12/10) **APOLOGIES**
- Received and noted by the Clerk;  
Councillor D. K. Mennell.
131. (12/10) **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
- Councillors Mrs Keal, Spencer, and Stone all declared an interest in Agenda Item 2(a) Castle Gardens request for continued funding.
132. (12/10) **CASTLE GARDENS**
- Members received a written request from the Derwent Riverside Project, for funding to assist with maintenance of the Castle Gardens for a further five years. Level of funding requested £500 per year.  
RESOLVED to continue funding for the Castle Gardens for a further five years, at £500 per year.
133. (12/10) **CEMETERY FEES**
- Members received the proposed increase in cemetery fees to be charged from April 2011, as shown in the appended table (Appendix 1.). Along with a table of fees for Malton which would be charged from April 2011, in order to make a comparison.  
RESOLVED to increase fees as shown in the appended table from April 2011, which would be an increase of approximately 10% on all categories.
- Following the debate and agreement reached on the increase in fees members asked that the Clerk write to the Forward Planning department at Ryedale District Council asking that they consider future land allocation for a new cemetery as part of the Local Development Framework, as space was becoming limited in the existing cemetery with an estimated lifespan of a further 25 years.
134. (12/10) **BUDGET ESTIMATES 2011/12**
- The Clerk had circulated a report with the agenda setting out the forecast out-turn for the 2010/11 budget, and the draft estimates for the 2011/12 budget, along with proposals for the Precept for 2011/12.
- Members reviewed the report section by section and the draft estimates, it was then agreed that the draft budget along with the proposed Precept as appended to the Minutes (Appendix 2), and agreed in principal be put forward for formal resolution at the full meeting of the Town Council.
- (a) Agreed the Budget for 2011/12 to be £96,536, an increase of £2,412 on the budget for 2010/11 or an increase of approximately 2.56%.

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134. (12/10) **BUDGET ESTIMATES 2011/12** (continued)

- (b) Agreed the Precept for 2011/12 to be set at £97,000 which when based on Ryedale District Council's Band 'D' Equivalent, the tax for Norton Town Council works out at the following:

2008/09 Av. number of properties 2373.68 = precept £94,000 = £39.60 band D Tax

2009/10 Av. number of properties 2422.96 = precept £96,000 = £39.62 band D Tax

2010/11 Av. number of properties 2445.15 = precept £96,000 = £39.26 band D Tax

2011/12 Av. number of properties 2459.57 = precept £97,000 = £39.44 band D Tax

An increase on a band D property of approximately 0.45%.

135. (12/10) **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting.

(Meeting closed at (7.15pm)

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