MILTON ABBAS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of an Extraordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 22nd January 2025 in ST JAMES CHURCH, MILTON ABBAS, at 7.00pm

PRESENT

Mr I. Baker (Vice Chair) Mr S. Driver (Chair)

Mr S. Gould Mr T. Ives Mr T. Khandwala Mr S. Martin

IN ATTENDANCE Mrs E. Sellen (Clerk).

- **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** Mr P. Ford (work), Mrs J. Jordan (delayed), Ms D. Wyatt (prior engagement) and Mrs. Emma Parker (Dorset Councillor)
- 2. **DISPENSATIONS** None

3. APPROVAL OF THE BUDGET 2025/2026

Mrs F. Robinson had enquired whether any money had been allowed for the Jubilee Bench. The Clerk confirmed that £500 had been set aside in the budget from 2023/2024 for the wildflower/bench project and remained unspent. It was unanimously agreed to fund up to £500 for the Jubilee bench project from reserves. TI requested that the budgeted amount for the Health and Disability Fund be retained for this year, but not to pay it out until requested by the H&D Fund representatives.

Zoom subscription will be replaced with Microsoft teams in April and funded from Stationery and Admin.

It was unanimously agreed to keep the budget as per draft circulated in December and January, with the addition of the Jubilee bench to be funded from reserves.

4. APPROVAL OF THE PRECEPT 2025/2026

It was unanimously agreed to increase the precept to £22,820.

5. CHAIRMAN'S URGENT BUSINESS

SD asked the Clerk to urge Hugo Fox to issue the new email addresses as soon as possible.

6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Councillors were reminded that the next meeting would take place on 12th March 2025 and, there being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.15pm.

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