

**Minutes of the Environment Budget Setting Committee meeting held on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2025 at 7.00pm, the Loft, Dersingham Village Centre**

**Present:** Cllr R Frost (Chairman), Cllr B Anderson, Cllr T Bubb, Cllr C Shepherd, Cllr J Stokes and Cllr A Watkins.

**In Attendance:** Geraldine Scanlon – Assistant Business Manager and Minute Taker

1. **To consider apologies for absence – Cllr M Ward**
2. **Declarations of Interest and requests for dispensations by Councillors in any agenda item – None**
3. **Open the meeting to allow Public Participation - none present**
4. **Budget Setting**

<b>Heading</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>2026/2027 Budget</b>
<b>Income</b>		
400	Dog bin sponsorship	<b>£840 as 2025/26</b>
405	NCC Parish Partnership Scheme – no schemes put forward	<b>£0 as 2025/26</b>
410	Misc Income	<b>£0 as 2025/26</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
4000	Cleaning Contract for cleaning signs, bus shelters and dog bins – Cost of cleaning products included in budget	<b>Reduced to £4,500</b>
4005	Dog Bins	<b>Increase to £3,600</b>
4010	Dog Bin Advertising	<b>£310 as 2025/26</b>
4015	Dog Bin Emptying – Increase in emptying costs	<b>Increase to £7500</b>
4020	Grass Cutting/Verge Maintenance	<b>Increase to £5,500</b>
4035	Street Lighting Energy	<b>Increase to £9,000</b>
4040	Streetlight Maintenance	<b>£2,000 as 2025/26</b>
4045	Streetlight Repair/Survey/New	<b>£6,000 as 2025/26</b>
4050	Seats/Benches – Agreed maintenance programme of repainting 3 benches each year	<b>Increase to £1,600</b>
4055	Village Sign	<b>£200 as 2025/26</b>
4060	Bus Shelters	<b>£500 as 2025/26</b>
4065	Footpaths/PROW –	<b>£0 as 2025/26</b>
4070	Trees	<b>£3,000 as 2025/26</b>
4075	Litterbins	<b>£100 as 2025/26</b>
4080	General Maintenance	<b>£1,500 as 2025/26</b>
4085	NCC Parish Partnership Scheme – no schemes put forward	<b>£0 as 2025/26</b>
4090	War Memorial Gardens Planting	<b>£200 as 2025/26</b>
4095	War Memorial Garden Maintenance – budget to cover existing contractor work.	<b>Increase to £1,300</b>

4100	War Memorial	<b>£0 as 2025/26</b>
<b>Recreation</b>		
<b>Income</b>		
500	Grants	<b>Code to be deleted</b>
515	Income from Events	<b>Code to be deleted</b>
520	Fundraising	<b>£0 as 2025/26</b>
525	Recreation Events	<b>Code to be deleted</b>
540	Precept – details to follow	
<b>Expenditure</b>		
5000	Recreation Water	<b>£100 as 2025/26</b>
5005	Recreation Ground Electricity	<b>£100 as 2025/26</b>
5010	Playground Equipment - New	<b>£0 as 2025/26</b>
5015	Playground Equipment Maintenance – Carry Forward unspent balance to 2026/27	<b>£2,500 as 2025/26</b>
5020	Playground Inspection - RoSPA	<b>£300 as 2025/26</b>
5025	Recreation Ground Maintenance	<b>Increase to £2,000</b>
5030	Recreation Ground Grass cutting	<b>£2,500 as 2025/26</b>
5045	Recreation Events	<b>£0 as 2025/26</b>
5050	Children’s Activities	<b>Code to be deleted</b>
5055	Christmas Activities	<b>Code to be deleted</b>
5065	Recreation Ground Five Year Plan - £2,000 for 2025/26 financial year to be transferred to Project Reserves	<b>Reduce to £0</b>

5. **Correspondence** - None

6. **Open the meeting to allow Public Participation** - none present

7. **Items for inclusion on the next agenda.**

8. **Date of next meeting** – Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2025 at 7pm in the Loft

9. **Exclusion of Press and Public**

To consider passing the following resolution: “That by virtue of the provisions of Section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public be excluded during discussion of the following business on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted”

10. **Quotations for A3 metal “No Dog” signs on 2-metre metal post plus quotations for installation.**

Councillors discussed the quotes received. **It was approved to purchase the signs and posts from Mr Signs Limited.**

With no further business the meeting was closed at 19.55