Minutes of the Environment Budget Setting Committee meeting held on Thursday 12th November 2026 at 7.00pm, the Loft, Dersingham Village Centre

Present: Cllr M Ward (Acting as Chairman), Cllr C Shepherd, Cllr J Stokes and Cllr B Anderson

In Attendance: Karen Orgill - Business Manager and Minute Taker

Not in Attendance: Cllr T Bubb

1. **To consider apologies for absence** – Cllr R Frost (Chairman) and Cllr A Watkins

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 2027-2028**

Heading	Description	2027/2028 Budget
Income		
400	Dog bin sponsorship	**Line to be deleted**
405	NCC Parish Partnership Scheme – no schemes put forward	**£0**
410	Misc Income	**£0**
415	Precept – Amount after the precept is set	
Expenditure		
4000	Cleaning Contract for cleaning signs, bus shelters, benches, dog bins and playground equipment– Contract expires 31st March 2027	**Increase to £6,000**
4005	Dog Bins	**Keep at £3,600**
4010	Dog Bin Advertising	**£0**
4015	Dog Bin Emptying – Increase in emptying costs	**Increase to £8,000**
4020	Grass Cutting/Verge Maintenance – Contract expires 31st October 2027	**Increase to £6,000**
4025	Floral Enhancements	**Line to be deleted**
4030	Taskforce – Volunteer maintenance of flower beds in the recreation ground and junction at Old Post Office Road/Chapel Road	**Increase to £100**
4035	Street Lighting Energy – Contract expires 23rd April 2028	**Decrease to £5,000**
4040	Streetlight Maintenance – Contract expires 30th June 2028	**Keep at £2,000**
4045	Streetlight Repair/Survey/New – Replacement of 2 streetlights is required	**Increase to £9,000**
4050	Seats/Benches	**Keep at £1,600**

4055	Village Sign	**Keep at £200**
4060	Bus Shelters	**Keep at £500**
4065	Footpaths/PROW	**£0 but keep line in**
4070	Trees	**Keep at £3,000**
4075	Litterbins	**Keep at £100**
4080	General Maintenance	**Keep at £2,000**
4085	NCC Parish Partnership Scheme – no schemes put forward	**£0**
4090	War Memorial Gardens Planting – new planting scheme when timber edging has been replaced	**Increase to £500**
4095	War Memorial Garden Maintenance - Replacement of concrete planters required	**Increase to £1,500**
4100	War Memorial – Grade II Listed – Advice on the lions as the concrete wash is cracking. Railings to be repainted.	**Increase to £1,500**
Recreation		
Income		
515	Income from Events	**Line to be deleted**
540	Precept – details to follow	
Expenditure		
5000	Recreation Water – Power washing of the paving to stop	**Increase to £150**
5005	Recreation Ground Electricity	**Keep at £100**
5010	Playground Equipment - New	**Keep at £0**
5015	Playground Equipment Maintenance	**Keep at £2,500**
5020	Playground Inspection - RoSPA	**Keep at £300**
5025	Recreation Ground Maintenance – To include specialist decompaction of the soil and reseeding	**Increase to £4,000**
5030	Recreation Ground Grass cutting	**Keep to £2,000**
5045	Recreation Events	**Line to be deleted**
5065	Recreation Ground Five-Year Plan	**£0**

5. **Correspondence** - None

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

7. **Items for inclusion on the next agenda** - none

8. **Date of next meeting – Thursday 3rd December 2026 at 7pm in The Loft**

With no further business the meeting was closed at 20:09