

**Minutes of the Dersingham Parish Council Budget Setting meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> January 2026 at 6.00pm in the Dersingham Village Centre**

**Councillors present:** Coral Shepherd (Chairman), Brian Anderson, Nigel Barker, Tony Bubb, Robert Frost, Su Foxley, Martin Noble, Mike Shepherd, Jordan Stokes, Sarah Whitehead, and Dennis Wright

**Also present:** Karen Orgill (Business Manager – BM)  
Geraldine Scanlon (Assistant Business Manager - ABM – Minute taker) via Teams  
Jo MacCallum Responsible Finance Officer (RFO) via Teams

- 1 Apologies for absence** – Councillors Valerie Brundle, John Houston, Brett Thomas, and Ann Watkins.
- 2 Declarations of interest and request dispensations by Councillors in any of the agenda items listed** – None
- 3 Public Participation** – None present

**4 Review and Set the Budgets for 2026-2027**

The Chairman said the budget report had been collated by both Cllr M Shepherd and the RFO. It had been circulated via SharePoint prior to the meeting and asked if Councillors had any questions or comments. There were no issues raised.

The Chairman read out the following proposals:

1. The 2026/27 budget be adopted as presented.

Proposed by Cllr B Anderson, seconded by Cllr D Wright

**It was resolved to approve the proposal**

2. That any remaining funds against expenditure codes 1065, 1140 on 31/03/2026 be carried forward and the approved budget for 2026/27 be revised accordingly.

Proposed by Cllr B Anderson, seconded by Cllr D Wright

**It was resolved to approve the proposal**

3. Council agrees in principle to set the Parish Council precept for 2026/27 at the same level as last year and to fund the resulting budget shortfall from accrued savings.

Proposed by Cllr B Anderson, seconded by Cllr N Barker

**It was resolved to approve the proposal**

4. That the Warren Reserve should be topped up by £10,000.00 from accrued savings in the General Fund.

Proposed by Cllr B Anderson, seconded by Cllr R Frost

**It was resolved to approve the proposal**

5. Council agrees in principle to use accrued savings in the General Fund on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026 to top up the earmarked reserves as and when necessary.

Proposed by Cllr B Anderson, seconded by Cllr D Wright

**It was resolved to approve the proposal**

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

Cllr C Shepherd asked councillors to let the BM know of any items.

**6 Date of next meeting:** Full Council and Precept setting Monday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2026

With no further business the meeting was closed at 6.07pm