

**SLEAFORD TOWN COUNCIL
MEETING OF THE FULL COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Meeting of the **Full Council** held on
Wednesday December 19th 2012 at 7:00pm
in The Source, Southgate, Sleaford

PRESENT: Cllr M Allan Cllr M Graves Cllr D Suiter
 Cllr D Birks Cllr K Fernandes Cllr D Vere-Critchler
 Cllr J Mathieson Cllr G Jackson Cllr D Andrews
 Cllr B Dunbar-Beckford Cllr H Lorimer

Also Present: Mrs S McIntyre (Clerk)

The Chairman and Vice Chairman were not present.
It was proposed by Cllr D Suiter and seconded by Cllr D Birks that Cllr M Graves chair the meeting.
Cllr M Graves was willing to stand. There were no other nominations.
Cllr M Graves was elected unopposed.

The chairman welcomed all present and opened the meeting.

FC.1 APOLOGIES. Apologies, with reasons, had been given to the Clerk from Cllrs G Titmus, J Titmus, K Dolby, J Charlesworth, T Mayfield and B Watson. These were accepted.

FC.2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

- To receive disclosable pecuniary interests in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 and to consider any applications for dispensations in relation to disclosable pecuniary or beneficial interests.
- Block dispensation to be granted for all precept discussions until May 2015 if failure to do so would reduce the number of members able to participate so as to impede the transaction of the business.

Dispensation forms regarding beneficial interests in land in Sleaford area had been received from:

Cllrs D Suiter	K Fernandes	D Vere-Critchler
M Graves	D Andrews	B Dunbar-Beckford
B Watson	J Charlesworth	D Birks
M Allan	G Titmus	J Titmus
H Lorimer	J Mathieson	T Mayfield
K Dolby.		

It was proposed by Cllr D Suiter and seconded by Cllr M Allan that the Clerk grants Block dispensation to be granted for all precept discussions until May 2015 because failure to do so would reduce the number of members able to participate and would impede the transaction of the business.

Vote – 11 for. The Resolution was passed, the above Councillors were granted Dispensation.

FC.3

PRECEPT REQUEST 2013/14.

- To confirm the Full Council Resolution from December 5th:
“That there be no net increase per household and the precept to remain at £104.07 for a B and D. The precept requested will be £603127.27p for a tax base of 5795.40. This may be subject to a slight variance once the official tax base figure is circulated.

The chairman explained the implications of the tax base being reduced. He said that should there be any significant increase in precept, or decrease in the tax base, this matter should come back before a Full Council meeting before the precept request is submitted.

There were some further discussions and the Clerk clarified some points.

It was proposed by Cllr M Graves and seconded by Cllr D Vere-Critchler that there be an amendment to the Resolution from December 5th – “Unless there is any change in the tax base which would impact on the charge per household.”

Vote - 11 for. The Resolution was passed.

It was proposed by Cllr M Graves and seconded by Cllr D Vere-Critchler that That there be no net increase per household and the precept to remain at £104.07 for a B and D. The precept requested will be £603127.27p for a tax base of 5795.40 - unless there is any change in the tax base which would impact on the charge per household, then the matter comes to a Full Council meeting before the formal precept request.

Vote 11 for. The Resolution was passed.

There being no further business, the chairman closed the meeting at 7.15pm.