

MINUTES

A meeting of the Wortwell Parish Council took place
on Monday 8 January 2024 at 7.30pm at the Waveney Room Wortwell
Community Centre No members of the public attended

74) **Welcome** by the Chairman Clive Aylett

Present: Clive Aylett Chair, Hazel Carter, Daphne Cook, Allison Copeman, Bill Eddy, Robert Hadingham, Julie Worley – Clerk and RFO Lua Leggett
Apologies received from Mr James Eddy District Councillor

There were no members of the public in attendance (invitation was sent out to the village in the usual way on notice board and website) so no adjournment necessary.

75) **Resolution:** The Council confirmed that the previously stated dispensation to all members of the Council to enable them to participate in full in the decision to approve the budgets for 2024.25 and to set the Council Tax and Business Rates for 2024/25 was still in place and confirmed to Mrs Hazel Carter, the purpose of the dispensation.

76) After a discussion regarding the printing costs (£1200 a year) for the Mardler and a request in the last edition for comments on continuing a paper based newsletter, Council agreed to add to the next meeting on 29 January for further discussion. For now the precept will allow a sum of £50 for the ad hoc printing of a pdf version should villagers request one. If the consultation demonstrates a high level of demand for the paper version to continue, and the village is prepared to pay for this printing cost – the projected VAT rebates expected each year could be re-directed from land accounts to the main account to accommodate this cost.

77) **Resolution:** Council approved and adopted the budget discussed in November 2023. The Precept for the 2024/25 financial year will be based on this taking consideration of the reduced numbers of houses at Tax Rate Band D 222 as advised by South Norfolk District Council – a copy of the budget had been circulated in advance and is available on the website.

1) **Precept Form Completion:** Council approved and appointed the RFO, Mrs Lua Leggett to complete the Precept Papers, as the designated officer for this purpose, and send to South Norfolk District Council.

Next Full Parish Council Meeting: Monday 29th January 2024

Meeting closed at 8.00pm