



**Tattenhall & District Parish Council
Informal Meeting – Budget & Precept Discussion
5th December 2022 via Zoom.**

PRESENT

Parish Council – Pat Black, Richard Carden, Sheila Chapman, Christine Elliott, Paul Kerr, Iain Keeping (Chairman), Neil Matthews, Andy Scarratt, Norman Sharp, Ann Wright (Clerk) (Apologies John Bailey, Lisa White)

Purpose of Meeting: To discuss budget and precept in preparation for January meeting.

The Councillors considered the draft budget as circulated and discussed the following:

- It was noted the number of Band D properties has increased.
- It was noted that although the Council is carrying forward a significant amount of money the reserves are being used to meet the Council's budget and that there is a need to balance the budget over future years.
- It was agreed that the reserves should be transferred to a high interest account, Cllr Scarratt confirmed he had looked at the CCLA accounts but noted the risk was too high.
- It was noted that £4k had been included in the budget to pay for the speed limit changes at Newton-by-Tattenhall.
- The following items were agreed to include in the budget:
 - Kissing Gates
 - Art Trail
 - War Memorial pointing

It was noted the Council will consider the revised budget and set the Precept at their 9th January meeting.

Ann Wright
8th December 2022