# SLAUGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

**Finance & Policy Meeting Agenda**

**Members are summoned to a Meeting to be held on**

**15th January 2024 –at 6.00pm The Sports Pavilion, High Street, Handcross**

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Present:

1. Apologies for absence -To receive and accept apologies for absence
2. Declarations of Interest: To note any declarations of interest
3. Minutes of the meeting of Finance & Policy Committee **27th November 2023**: To receive and adopt the minutes.
4. Adjournment for questions from the public: The committee is to consider whether to adjourn the meeting in accordance with clause 1(d) of Standing Orders, in order to receive questions from members of the public.
5. Matters arising from the Minutes – To note any matters arising from the minutes.
6. Financial Monitoring - Members to review the income and expenditure against budget 2023/24 to include reserves position.
   1. Ref: Detailed Income & Expenditure by Budget Heading
   2. Ref: Income and Expenditure Account
   3. Ref: Summary Income & Expenditure by Budget Heading
   4. Ref: Trial Balance/Balance Sheet
   5. Ref: Bank Reconciliation Statement/s
7. Report Expenditure Differences – The committee is asked to consider variances since previous review:
8. To approve December 2023 Bank Reconciliation
9. Members to consider Tax Base Information provided. *A tax base is***the total value of all of the assets, income, and economic activity that can be taxed***by a taxing authority, usually a government.*
10. Members are asked to review and approve the current year to date budget and expenditure for 2023/24:
    1. Review the latest budget position:
    2. To consider the reserves:
    3. To consider the budget forecast for 2024/25 and resolve to agree the final precept figure for approval at Full Council on the 25th January 2024
11. To note items arising after the preparation of this Agenda which the Chairman agrees to take as urgent. Such matters will be for noting only or deferral to a future meeting only.
12. Matters that members wish to raise for future discussion:
13. Date of Next Meeting:

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