

FOXLEY GROUP PARISH COUNCIL – NOV 2022

The main theme of the fourth quarterly meeting of the year is financial, with grant applications being decided and a budget/precept being set for 2023/24

Earlier in the year, the council decided to use its budget for grants in support of an event to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee. Any further discretionary grants would therefore need to be funded from reserves. Unfortunately, this meant that it was not possible to give the full amounts requested and so £200 was awarded to each of Foxley News to cover part of the cost of production and to Brinsop and Mansel Lacy PCCs to help with the cost of maintenance of the churchyards.

There will be parish council elections next year, which the council needs to pay for. If the full cost of these elections were passed on to residents, along with the inflation affecting other costs, the precept would need to double, from £2,500 to £5,000! The council therefore decided to further use its financial reserves to reduce the impact to residents so setting a total precept of £3,750 for next year. This would mean that a typical Band D property would pay less than 70p a month extra.

Note: Formal minutes of this and previous meetings are available at <https://www.foxleygrouppc.org.uk/meetings-agenda.html>