

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF ASSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
Held in Assington Village Hall on Monday 18th February 2013**

Present: Councillors S Thorogood (Chairman), C Heseltine, S King, B Stacey and R Symonds.
Attending: D Crimmin (Clerk).

13/019 Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Symons and Tatum sent their apologies.

13/020 Declaration of Interest

None declared.

13/021 Requests for Dispensation

None received.

13/022 Minutes of Meeting held on 28th January 2013

The minutes of the meeting were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

13/023 Public Forum

No members of public were present.

13/024 Finance

The councillors reviewed the response from Babergh District Council following the receipt of APC's Precept Upon Charging Authority for 2013 / 2014. In order to protect the council against loss of grant or restriction on raising the Precept in future years the councillors resolved to:

- i. accept the grant of £661 to offset the impact of Local Council Tax Support Scheme
- ii. increase the Council Tax charge by this amount which will result in an increase to Band D Council Tax of 8.7% (8p per week).

13/025 Questions to the Chair

Following a discussion on the proposed lease costs from BDC for the area at Meadow Way, Cllr Heseltine will talk to Jennie Jenkins on the subject.

13/026 Dates of next meeting

The next scheduled meeting of APC will take place on the 25th March 2013 starting at 7.30pm. The Annual Parish Meeting will take place on the same evening starting at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 7.57pm

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DATED _____