MINUTES OF KILBURN PARISH COUNCIL – FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 11th December 2023

Present. D Hall (Chair), D Earnshaw, T Bailey, S Fox, S Turner, S Matthews (Clerk).

1. Apologies None

2. Present financial position.

The projected expenditure for December – March 2024 - £14276
The anticipated carry forward for the year ending 31 March 2024 is £39175 This does not include funds from sale of land which can only be used for capital funding purposes.

3. Budget 2024/25

Salary budget – allowed for a 5% pay award. Following discussion it was agreed to increase this to 10% Increased budgets:

- Lamppost Planters from £5000 to £6000
- Ground planters from £2500 to £3000
- Dog waste dispenser bags from £1000 to £1200
- SID from £300 to £4500

Nature Reserve – it may be necessary to increase this budget when bids for funding were known whether successful or not. It was agreed that this could be taken from the contingency budget.

Following a request from parishioner for lamppost Christmas lights – it was agreed that the costs were prohibitive and that the funding would be better used elsewhere.

4. Recommended Budget/Precept for the year 2024/25

A budget was set in the sum of £102425

This amount less the carry forward items and projected underspend from 2023/24 of £39175 equates to a precept of £53000.

It was resolved that the Clerk would alter the draft budget and present it at the January 2024 meeting with a recommended Precept of £53,000 which is same as previous year.