

## **Worth Parish Council**

### **Minutes of the Additional Full Council Meeting held in the Parish Hub, Copthorne on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2026 commencing at 7.30pm**

**Present:** Cllr Dorey (Chair) Cllr Coote (Vice Chair)

Cllr Bingle  
Cllr Cruickshank  
Cllr Gibson  
Cllr King  
Cllr Phillips  
Cllr Stewart  
Cllr Wilson

Cllr Casella  
Cllr Dymond  
Cllr Hodsdon  
Cllr Kipps  
Cllr Scott  
Cllr Williams

Mrs L Bannister (Chief Officer)

#### **080 Public Question Time**

No members of the public present.

#### **081 Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Lord and Pointer.

#### **082 Declarations of Interest**

None.

#### **083 Bowers Place Parking Solution**

It was RESOLVED to:

- a. Award the contract to Contractor D as per the confidential report.
- b. Approve the following changes to the contract, subject to costs:
  - Installation of a knee-high fence alongside the parking bays, with breaks at each telecoms pole for pedestrian access.
  - Tarmac full pavement width.
  - Replace full playground fencing.

#### **084 Budget & 3-year forecast**

It was RESOLVED to:

- a. Approve the addition to the risk assessment for the general reserves to the Financial Risk Assessment. Members are aware of the effect on the general reserves at the end of the next financial year, and the increase to reserves has been planned in following financial years. The street light improvement programme can be reduced if the impact to the reserves is too severe.
- b. Approve the budget for 2026-27 and 3-year forecast for 2027-30.
- c. Set the Precept at £520,000 for 2026-27, as recommended by the Finance & General Purposes Committee.

#### **085 Date of the next meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2026, at the Parish Hub, Copthorne.

*Meeting closed at 19.46 pm.*

Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_