



HOLT TOWN COUNCIL

	Minutes of the budget meeting of the Holt Town Council on Holt Town Council 22 January 2018 at Holt Community Centre	
	Present: Cllrs M Prior (Chair), Allison, Batey, Hipperson, Moore, Neech, Payne, Singleton, Smith, Traynier, Wright, 31 Members of the public	
1	Apologies Cllrs D Baker, P Reed	
2	To receive Declaration of Interests No declarations of interest	
	Public participation Limited to three mins per person and 15 mins overall Questions were asked as follows:- • What is the Holt hub? • Is the TC considering one and will it include the TIC? Cllr Prior reported that the whole issue is commercially sensitive but promised that there would be a well-advertised public meeting later. • Charles Road is referred to as a Hub. • A hub is for community activities. • The residents are in the dark, there appears to be no business plan. We need to know before action is taken Cllr Prior stated that when the business side is completed, we can be more open and we have not made a decision. She couldn't commit to a date as we are in the middle of negotiations. • The question is about using public money. Can confirmation be given that no decision will be made until we have a public meeting. • Is this about purchasing something on behalf of the community. You must have an estimated figure. Cllr Prior repeated that the figures can't be discussed at this meeting. • It was asked to explain the format of the meeting and the need for a confidential part. • Is there any budgetary requirement to meet costs of a hub? • Hub services provide services to the local community. • What are the time scales and when will it come to the community? • Conclude in assuming the budget sets for 2019 does not commit any money. • Will there be a full discussion in public where we can have a chat before it is implemented? • It has been acknowledged there must be a building and negotiations are carrying on, where in principal would the funding would come from. • Would we buy or rent? The Clerk tried to explain the format and why the confidential item was needed and a member of the public stated they didn't want to hear from her but the elected councillors. • This is fait accomplis • Can we confirm there will be no commitment of public money until after this public meeting has been held? Comments from Councillors • Here to represent you and the best interests of the community. • Require to remain confidential as business such as this is not conducted in the public remain.	

