



# BUCKFASTLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

**22<sup>nd</sup> January 2020 - KEY MESSAGES**

- 1. Budget** – The 2020/21 Budget and Precept was approved. There will be an increase of 1.33% to a Band D property = £2.40 per year or £1.80 for Band B. There is a new £5,000 budget for Climate and Environment.
- 2. Management of Sensitive Verges** – The Town Council will take over the management of selected sensitive verges where there are native species growing. The Be Wild group will draw up a map and management plan to identify the sites and this will be reviewed in 6 months.
- 3. Meeting Structure** – The Town Council approved a new meeting structure which involves 2 Council meetings per month and a third meeting which will be for community or working party discussions.
- 4. Blocked Gullies/Drains** – There are increasing problems with drains and gullies which are blocked by leaves, debris from fields or grit. Cllr Cox will temporarily take on a Road Warden role and members of the public are invited to inform the Town Council of blockages or potholes so the information can be forwarded to Devon County Council for action.

Full minutes will be available on the website after the next Town Council Meeting.