

**DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORT AHEAD OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MONDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2023**

**Budget**

At full council on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of February, Councillors passed a budget for the next municipal year. The full details of the budget passed can be found here: <https://horsham.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cid=188&Mid=2163>.

Lib Dem councillors, including Louise and I, were successful in securing two amendments to the budget, these were:

1. An additional £150k to tackle anti-social behaviour in the District.
2. An £150k fund to take anyone of working age on council tax support out of paying council tax living in a band C property or below.

**School site land**

In February Louise and I met with Countryside properties to discuss the future of the land which was set aside for the now abandoned primary school in Wickhurst Green. Last week I met with council officers to discuss this meeting and plot a path forward. Council staff will now meet with Countryside to discuss what uses that land could provide to the village. At an appropriate date in the future, the Parish Council will be invited to discuss land uses.

If the Parish Council has ideas and wishes to be proactive, we would welcome suggestions for uses which would be acceptable to both the Council and wider community.