

MEETING:	Full Council
DATE:	Thursday, 23 February 2017
TIME:	10.30 am
VENUE:	Council Chamber, Barnsley Town Hall

AGENDA

1. Declarations of Interests

To receive any declarations of interest of a pecuniary or non-pecuniary nature from Members in respect of the items on this agenda.

2. Suspension of Standing Orders

To consider suspending Standing Order No 13(5) in respect of the consideration of the Budget insofar as it relates to restrictions on Members speaking more than once.

Cabinet Recommendations to Council

Note: In accordance with the requirements of the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2014, a recorded vote will be required to be taken in relation to items 3(A) and (B) below.

To consider the following recommendations of the Cabinet Meeting held on the 8th February, 2017. The Cabinet Spokesperson with the Portfolio for the services in question will respond to any comments or amendments concerning these minutes.

3. Service and Financial Planning 2017/18 - Revenue Budget, Capital Programme and Council Tax (Cab.8.2.2017/7) (*Pages 5 - 138*)

(A) Budget Proposals 2017/18

RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL

- (i) that the report of the Director of Finance, Assets and Information Services under Section 25 of the Local Government Act 2003 at Section 1 be noted and that the 2017/18 budget proposals be agreed on the basis that the Chief Executive and Senior Management Team (SMT), in consultation with Cabinet Spokespersons, submit for early consideration detailed proposals from the ongoing activity in order that the potential budget gaps in 2018/19 and the longer term be closed;
- (ii) that the Overview of Financial Planning for 2020 report and forecast budget positions for 2017/18 to 2019/20 contained in Section 2 be noted and monitored as part of the arrangements for the delivery of the Future Council 2020;
- (iii) that the budget proposals for all services for 2017/18 – 2019/20, as detailed in Sections 4 and 5 of the report submitted, be approved, subject to the submission of detailed implementation reports, as appropriate;

- (iv) that the 2020 Directorate spending plans outlined in Section 6 be noted;
- (v) that the proposed savings in 2018/19 and 2019/20 be agreed subject to further consideration in future budget processes taking account of any further Equality Impact Assessments;
- (vi) that the total additional specific funded capital investment of £23.1m as outlined at Section 7 be included within the capital programme and released subject to further detailed reports on the proposals for its use;
- (vii) that the future Council Investment requirements as outlined in Table 1 at Section 7 be agreed to progress to full business cases and be considered by Cabinet on a case by case basis. At this stage approval up to the resources currently available of £31.7m be considered;
- (viii) that the fees and charges set out in Appendix 1 of Section 8 of the report be approved from 1st April, 2017 or later in 2017/18 as applicable;
- (ix) that Section 10 (Position on Reserves, Provisions and Balances) be noted;
- (x) that the Aggregated Equality Impact Assessment at Section 11 of the proposals be noted and the proposed mitigation actions in the report be approved;
- (xi) that the cash limited budgets for each service with overall net expenditure for 2017/18 of £166.201m, as detailed at Section 4, be approved;
- (xii) that the Chief Executive and SMT, in consultation with the Cabinet Spokespersons as appropriate, be required to submit reports into Cabinet as a matter of urgency, in relation to the detailed General Fund Revenue Budget for 2017/18 including recommendations on any action further to that set out above required to achieve an appropriately balanced budget for that financial year;
- (xiii) that the Chief Executive and SMT be responsible for managing their respective budgets including ensuring the implementation of savings proposals;
- (xiv) that the Chief Executive and SMT, in consultation with the appropriate Cabinet Spokesperson, be required to submit regular reports as necessary on the implementation of proposals into Cabinet as a matter of urgency to resolve any outstanding issues in relation to their budgets and deal with any consequential effects;
- (xv) that the Authority's SMT be charged with ensuring that the budget remains in balance and report regularly into Cabinet on budget/savings monitoring including any action required;
- (xvi) that Cabinet be authorised to make any necessary technical adjustments to form the 2017/18 budget; and
- (xvii) that appropriate consultation on the agreed budget proposals takes place

with the Trade Unions and representatives of Non-Domestic Ratepayers and that the views of consultees be considered by Cabinet and the Council.

(B) Council Tax 2017/18

RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL

- (i) that the contents of Section 9 of the report (2017/18 Council Tax calculation) of the Director of Finance, Assets and Information Services now submitted, be noted;
- (ii) that the Council Tax Collection Fund net surplus as at 31st March 2016 relating to BMBC of £1.615M be used to reduce the 2017/18 Council Tax requirement, in line with statute;
- (iii) that the 2017/18 Band D Council Tax increase for Barnsley MBC's services be set at 4.9% (1.9% for Barnsley MBC services and an additional 3% for the Chancellor's Adult Social Care levy);
- (iv) that the Band D Council Tax for Barnsley MBC's areas be determined following confirmation of the South Yorkshire Police Authority and South Yorkshire Fire Authority precepts for 2017/18; and
- (v) that the Band D Council Tax for areas of the Borough with Parish/Town Councils be determined following confirmation of individual parish precepts for 2017/18.

Note: with regard to recommendations (iv) and (v) of item 3(B) above, the precepts for the Police and Crime Commissioner for the South Yorkshire Police area, the South Yorkshire Fire Authority and for Parish/Town Councils will be circulated as soon as they are received.

4. 2017/18 Treasury Management Policy and Strategy Statement (Cab.8.2.2017/8) (Pages 139 - 196)

RECOMMENDED TO FULL COUNCIL ON 23RD FEBRUARY, 2017:-

- (i) that the main Treasury Management Policies, as outlined in the Treasury Policy Statement at Annex A of the report now submitted, be noted; and
- (ii) that the Treasury Management Strategy Statement for 2017/18, as detailed at Annex B of the report, be approved, including:-
 - The revised Minimum Revenue Position (MRP) Statement at Appendix E; and
 - The Annual Investment Strategy for 2017/18 at Section 4 of the Treasury Management Strategy Statement.

5. Prudential Indicators 2017/18 (Cab.8.2.2017/9) (Pages 197 - 210)

RECOMMENDED TO FULL COUNCIL

- (i) that the Prudential Indicators for the financial year 2017/18 to 2019/20, as

set out at Appendix B of the report now submitted, be approved; and

- (ii) that further monitoring reports be submitted on the indicators during the year as necessary.

6. Redundancy Compensation and Procedures 2017/18 (Cab.8.2.2017/10) (Pages 211 - 214)

RECOMMENDED TO FULL COUNCIL

- (i) that for the purpose of the 2017/18 budget procedures, payments in accordance with the Discretionary Compensation Regulations 2006 be up to a maximum of 30 weeks actual pay based on the Statutory Redundancy Scheme; and
- (ii) that any employee (excluding Teachers) declared redundant be afforded the maximum of 12 weeks' notice of termination of employment

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Diana Terris
Chief Executive

Wednesday, 15 February 2017