

MEETING:	Full Council
DATE:	Thursday, 22 February 2018
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 7th February, 2018. 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 2018/19 - Revenue Budget, Capital Programme and Council Tax (Cab.7.2.2018/6) (*Pages 5 - 136*)

(A) Budget Proposals 2018/19

RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL:-

- (i) that the Future Council 2020 Strategy at Section 1 of the report now submitted be noted and implemented accordingly;
- (ii) that the report of the Service Director Finance (Section 151 Officer), under Section 25 of the Local Government Act 2003 at Section 2 be noted and that the 2018/19 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 plans that ensure the Council's ongoing financial sustainability for 2019/20 and beyond;
- (iii) that the Revised Medium Term Financial Strategy and Forecast for 2018/19 to 2019/20 contained at Section 3a and 3b of the report and the position on Reserves, Provisions and Balances at Section 3c be noted and monitored as part of the arrangements for the delivery of the Future Council 2020 Strategy;
- (iv) that the 2018/19 budget proposals for all services, as separately presented

in Sections 5a, 6 and 7, be approved for submission to Council – subject to the submission of detailed implementation reports as appropriate;

- (v) that the total additional specific funded capital investment of £65.5m as outlined at Section 5c, Table 5, be included within the Capital Programme and released subject to further detailed reports on the proposals for its use;
- (vi) that the £12.5m of cumulative resources available as highlighted at Section 5c Table 6 be noted and the allocation of £8.5m for the expenditure requirements outlined at Section 5c Table 7 be agreed;
- (vii) that the efficiency proposals for 2018/19 in Sections 7a to 7e be agreed subject to consideration of any further Equality Impact Assessments;
- (viii) that the detailed proposals for increases in existing fees and charges and new fees and charges be implemented as set out at Section 8 of the report;
- (ix) that the Aggregated Equality Impact Assessment at Section 10 of the proposals be noted and the proposed mitigation actions in the report be approved;
- (x) that the cash limited budgets for each service with overall net expenditure for 2018/19 of £168.988m be approved for submission to Council;
- (xi) that the Chief Executive and SMT, in consultation with Cabinet Spokespersons, be required to submit reports into Cabinet, as a matter of urgency, in relation to the detailed General Fund Revenue Budget for 2018/19 on any further action required to achieve an appropriately balanced budget in addition to those proposals set out above;
- (xii) that the Chief Executive and SMT be responsible for managing their respective budgets including ensuring the implementation of savings proposals;
- (xiii) 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;
- (xiv) that Cabinet and the Section 151 Officer be authorised to make any necessary technical adjustments to form the 2018/19 budget;
- (xv) 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; and
- (xvi) that the budget papers be submitted for the consideration of the Full Council.

(B) Council Tax 2018/19

RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL:-

- (i) that the contents of Section 5b (2018/19 Council Tax options) be noted;
- (ii) that the Council Tax Collection Fund net surplus as at 31st March, 2018 relating to BMBC of £3.115m be used to reduce the 2018/19 Council Tax requirement, in line with statute;
- (iii) that 2018/19 Band D Council Tax increase for Barnsley MBC's services be set at 4.49% (2.99% for Barnsley MBC services and an additional 1.5% 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 and Crime Commissioner and South Yorkshire Fire Authority precepts for 2018/19; 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 2018/19.

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. Treasury Management Strategy and Policy Statement (Cab.7.2.2018/7) (*Pages 137 - 186*)

RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL:-

- (i) that the main Treasury Management Policy Statement attached at Appendix A of the Treasury Management Strategy and Policy Statement now submitted, be noted; and
- (ii) that the proposed Treasury Management Strategy for 2018/19 be approved, including:-
 - The Borrowing Strategy for 2018/19 at Section 3 including the full suite of Prudential and Treasury Indicators at Appendix F;
 - The revised Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) Statement at Appendix C of the report; and
 - The Annual Investment Strategy for 2018/19 at Section 4 of the Treasury Management Strategy and Policy Statement.

5. 2018/2019 Service and Financial Planning Redundancy Compensation and Procedures (Cab.7.2.2018/8) (*Pages 187 - 190*)

RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL:-

- (i) that for the purpose of the 2018/19 budgetary 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.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Diana Terris". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Diana" and the last name "Terris" clearly distinguishable.

Diana Terris
Chief Executive

Wednesday, 14 February 2018