

MEETING:	Full Council
DATE:	Thursday 23 February 2023
TIME:	10.00 am
VENUE:	Council Chamber, Barnsley Town Hall

MINUTES

Present The Mayor (Councillor Tattersall)

Central Ward - Councillors Moyes

Cudworth Ward - Councillors Hayward and Houghton CBE

Darfield Ward - Councillors Markham, Osborne and Smith

Darton East Ward - Councillors Crisp, Denton and Hunt

Darton West Ward - Councillors T. Cave and Howard

Dearne North Ward - Councillors Bellamy and Cain

Dearne South Ward - Councillors Bowler, Coates and Danforth

Dodworth Ward - Councillors P. Fielding, W. Fielding and Wray

Hoyland Milton Ward - Councillors Franklin, Shepherd and Stowe

Kingstone Ward - Councillors Mitchell and Williams

Monk Bretton Ward - Councillors Green and Richardson

North East Ward - Councillors Cherryholme, Ennis OBE and Peace

Old Town Ward - No Councillors were present

Penistone East Ward - Councillors Barnard and Wilson

Penistone West Ward - Councillors Greenhough, Kitching and Lowe-Flello

Rockingham Ward - Councillors Lamb

Royston Ward - Councillors Makinson, McCarthy and Webster

St. Helen's Ward - Councillors Leech and Platts

Stairfoot Ward - Councillors K. Dyson and Shirt

Wombwell Ward - Councillors Eastwood, Frost and Higginbottom

Worsbrough Ward - Councillors Bowser, Clarke and Lodge

166. Declarations of Interests

Councillor Osborne declared a non-pecuniary interest in minute numbers 168 and 169 due to his position on Berneslai Homes Board.

The Mayor, Councillor Tattersall, declared a non-pecuniary interest in minute numbers 168 and 169 due to her position on Berneslai Homes Board.

Councillor Howard declared a non-pecuniary interest in minutes 168 and 168 due to her employment by Department for Work and Pensions.

Councillor Peace declared a non-pecuniary interest in minutes 168 and 169 due to his employment by Department for Work and Pensions.

Councillor Lodge declared a non-pecuniary interest in minutes 168 and 169 due to him being a tenant of Berneslai Homes.

Councillor Shepherd declared a non-pecuniary interest in minute 169 due to his and his wife's sponsorship of Barnsley Youth Choir.

167. Suspension of Standing Orders

Moved by Councillor Sir Steve Houghton CBE – Seconded by Councillor Lamb; and

RESOLVED that Standing Order No 13 (5) of the Council be suspended in respect of the consideration of the Housing Revenue Account and Medium Term Financial Strategy items insofar as it relates to restrictions on Members speaking more than once.

168. Housing Revenue Account - 2023/24 Budget and Investment Proposals 2023-28 (Cab.8.2.2023/7)

Moved by Councillor Franklin – Seconded by Councillor Bowser; and

RESOLVED that:-

- a) the cost pressures on the HRA and efficiencies being proposed to mitigate these to support the longer-term investment needs of the housing stock be noted;
- b) the HRA Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) as set out in paragraphs 2.20 be approved
- c) the Housing Revenue Account Draft Budget for 2023/24, as outlined in paragraph 2.22 and detailed in Appendix 1, including the proposed revenue investments totalling £1.1M, [Appendix 2, paragraph 2B refers], be approved, with any final amendments being delegated to the Cabinet Spokesperson for Regeneration & Culture and the Executive Director for Growth & Sustainability in consultation with the Cabinet Spokesperson for Core Services and the Service Director - Finance (S151);
- d) the acceleration of EPC and stock condition survey works to complete fully during 2023/24 be noted;
- e) a rent increase of 6.5%, which is under the Government's Rent Cap of 7% be approved;
- f) a non-dwelling rent increase in line with CPI be approved;

- g) both service charges and district heating charges will be subject to a separate review during 2023/24 be noted;
- h) the 2023/24 Berneslai Homes Management Fee totalling £15.453M [Appendix 2, paragraph 2C refers] be approved, with any final amendments delegated to the Cabinet Spokesperson for Regeneration & Culture and the Service Director, Regeneration & Culture in consultation with the Cabinet Spokesperson for Core Services and the Service Director -Finance (S151);
- i) the 2023/24 Berneslai Homes Management Fee for both Gypsy Sites, and the European Social Fund (ESF) Grant totalling £0.216M, both of which are charged to the Authority's General Fund [Appendix 2,paragraph 2D refers] be approved;
- j) the Core Housing Capital Investment programme for 2023/24 totalling £20.394M [£14.849M to maintain decency and £5.545M supplementary works] be approved, and the indicative programme for 2024/25 through 2027/28, outlined in paragraphs 2.24 2.25 be noted;
- k) the proposed capital schemes totalling £42.330M, subject to individual reports as appropriate, in line with the Council's governance arrangements [paragraphs 2.26 2.29 refer] be approved in principle.

169. Medium Term Financial Strategy 2023-26 (Cab.8.2.2023/6)

The 2023/24 Budget Proposals, and Council Tax Recommendations 2023/24 were moved by Councillor Franklin – Seconded by Councillor Bowser.

The following amendment was received in accordance with Standing Order No 8 was moved by Councillor Kitching – Seconded by Councillor Denton:

The Liberal Democrat group acknowledges with thanks the hard work of the finance team in again bringing forward a balanced budget, despite the ongoing challenges to funding imposed on local authorities by the government, and by global challenges including the current energy crisis.

As in previous years we recognise that this is a financially well managed council and that prudent decisions made by the finance team continue to allow the Council to remain in good financial shape.

Our amendment therefore does not seek to undermine the budget as a whole, but to bring an exciting and innovative solution to a key area of concern that we – and the communities we serve - believe requires more investment and prioritisation going forward.

We seek to tackle the borough's crumbling roads by improving the capacity, capability and quality of the pothole repairs programme.

We note:

- i. The current high reporting rate of potholes across the borough's roads is generating a great deal of work for the Highways team.
- ii. These traditional repair methods often leads to a need for frequent re-repairs, which is costly and inefficient as the temporary repair often washes out quickly, leaving the road in a worse state than before with additional loose debris.

- iii. The borough's roads need an extensive re-surfacing programme but this is not possible within the current financial envelope and cost of borrowing.
- iv. This leaves the council chasing its tail repeatedly trying to patch crumbling roads and falling behind schedule, as well incurring additional costs in insurance claims.

We further note:

- v. The recent innovation by Stoke on Trent City Council, who invested in a JCB Pothole pro at a cost of approximately £165-185k.
- vi. That this has allowed Stoke on Trent City Council, which in 2021 had the longest pothole repair times in the country to permanently repair 3 years of potholes in just 4 months.

We therefore propose:

- a. That the council use some of this year's £2m Highways spend to purchase a JCB Pothole Pro machine or equivalent appropriate machine.
- b. The cost of additional materials needed for the significant increase in the number of potholes being repaired can be met from the efficiency savings this method brings as well as from existing highways budgets.
- c. That budget document recommendation p) is amended to include the phrase "but will prioritise purchase of, training on and maintenance of a JCB Pothole Pro or equivalent".
- d. That the Council's communications team run an online contest to name the Pothole Pro, similar to the recent popular gritting machine naming contest.

After a lengthy and full and frank discussion the Amendment was put to the vote and was lost.

In favour of the amendment, present at the time of voting

Councillors Crisp, Denton, P Fielding, W Fielding, Greenhough, Hunt, Kitching, Lodge, Lowe-Flello and Wray.

Against the amendment, present at the time of voting

Councillors Bellamy, Bowler, Bowser, Cain, T Cave, Cherryholme, Clarke, Coates, Danforth, K Dyson, Eastwood, Ennis OBE, Franklin, Frost, Green, Hayward, Higginbottom, Sir Steve Houghton CBE, Howard, Lamb, Leech, Makinson, Markham, McCarthy, Mitchell, Moyes, Osborne, Peace, Platts, Richardson, Shepherd, Shirt, Smith, Stowe, Tattersall, Webster and Williams

Abstentions

Councillors Barnard and Wilson

The original motion was then put as the substantive motion and

1. 2023/24 Budget Proposals

RESOLVED:-

That the contents of the updated Medium Term Financial Strategy 2023-2026 be noted and:-

- a) that the report of the Service Director Finance (S151 Officer), under Section 25 of the Local Government Act 2003 at **Section 1** be noted, that the 2023/24 budget proposals be agreed and 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 in 23/24 and beyond.
- b) that the revised Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) and Budget Forecast for 23/24 to 25/26 contained in the budget pack attached at **Section 2** (supported by the suite of background papers in **Sections 2a 2d**) be noted and that these are monitored as part of the arrangements for the delivery of the MTFS.
- c) that provision of £35.4M to cover anticipated demographic and other cost pressures in 23/24:
- Pay (£9.0M),
- Energy (£5.3M),
- Children's Social Care including the development plan costs (£7.0M),
- Adult Social Care including hospital discharges (£6.5M),
- Homes to School Transport (£1.2M),
- Waste Services (£0.9M),
- Inflation on major contracts e.g., PFI (£3.1M),
- Funding borrowing costs (£0.6M),
- Investment in legal resource (£0.5M),
- Investment in car parking (£0.5M),
- Youth zone running costs (£0.8M).

be approved for inclusion in the budget as identified at **Section 2**.

- d) that the budgetary provisions previously set aside in the 22/23 budget for demography, demand and energy costs totalling £9.2M be approved to be released to mitigate the above pressures.
- e) that the specific Adult Social Care grant of £2.1M received in the 2022 Local Government Finance Settlement be used to contribute to the funding of inflationary pressures in the care sector.
- f) that the increase in the Better Care Fund of £1.9M received in the 2022 Local Government Finance Settlement be used to fund the cost of hospital discharges.
- g) that £7.5M of additional general social care funding received in the 2022 Local Government Finance Settlement be set aside pending further assessment of the emerging financial risks relating to Childrens and Adults Social Care.

- h) that reserves totalling £5.5M be used to further mitigate the pressures above, strictly on the basis of this being a temporary bridging strategy to permanently aligning ongoing spend and income over the MTFS planning period.
- i) that the proposed efficiency savings in 23/24 highlighted in **Section 2** and detailed at **Section 4a 4e** be approved for implementation and that Members also note the development of a transformation programme to help deliver balanced budget positions over the medium term (24/25 25/26).
- j) that the Council's reserves strategy and updated reserves position at Section 2b be noted.
- k) that the proposed changes to the 23/24 fees and charges policy and accompanying schedule of charges set out at **Section 2d** be approved.
- I) that the cash limited budgets for each Service with overall net expenditure for 23/24 of £230.4M as highlighted in **Section 5a** be approved.
- m) that the 23/24 25/26 budget proposals presented at **Sections 5a 5c**, be approved, subject to Cabinet receiving detailed implementation reports where appropriate.
- n) that the changes to the schools funding formula including the transfer of funding from the schools' block to the high needs block and the proposed 23/24 schools block budget as set out at **Section 5d** be approved.
- o) that the capital investment schemes totalling £12.4M (**Section 6 Appendix 1**), be included within the capital programme and released subject to receiving further detailed business cases where appropriate.
- p) that £2M is provisionally set aside for additional investment in repairing the borough's highways (principal roads / side streets) and released subject to receiving a further detailed report on plans for its use.
- q) 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 23/24 on any further action required to achieve an appropriately balanced budget in addition to those proposals set out above.
- r) that the Chief Executive and SMT be responsible for managing their respective budgets including ensuring the implementation of all approved saving proposals.
- s) 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.
- t) that Cabinet and the Section 151 Officer be authorised to make any necessary technical adjustments to form the 23/24 budget.

u) that appropriate consultation on the 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.

2. Council Tax 2023/24

RESOLVED that Council note the contents of Section 2a (23/24 Council Tax options) and approves that:-

- (i) in respect of the Council Tax 2023/24 calculations:
 - (a) that the Council Tax Collection Fund surplus relating to Barnsley M.B.C. of £3.572M be used to reduce the Council Tax Requirement for 2023/24;
 - (b) that the Band D Council Tax for Barnsley M.B.C.'s services be set at £1,705.57 which includes the cumulative special precept earmarked specifically for Adult Social Care of £222.81; and
 - (c) that the Band D Council Tax for Barnsley M.B.C.'s area be set at £2,026.19 including the Police and Fire precepts* as set out in (ii)(c).
- (ii) that, in respect of the Council Tax 2023/24 declaration:
 - (a) that it be noted that at its meeting of its Cabinet on the 11th January 2023 the Council made the following calculations for the year 2023/24 in accordance with Regulations made under Section 31(B) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 as amended (the "Act"):-
 - (1) in accordance with Section 31B (3) of the Local Government Act 1992, as amended, the number of adjusted Band D equivalent properties calculated by the Council as its Council Tax base for the year shall be 66,446.80 (Item T in the formula in Section 31B (1) of the Act);
 - (2) that the number of adjusted Band D equivalent properties calculated by the Council, as the amounts of its Council Tax base for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate shall be as follows:-

	TABLE	1		
Column	Α	В	С	D = C / B
Parish Area	Band D equivalent chargeable properties	95% of Band D equivalent chargeable properties	Precept Issued (after Council Tax Support Grant) (£)	Band D Equivalent Charge (£)
Billingley	96.200	91.390	1,518.00	16.61
Cawthorne	605.900	575.605	24,320.00	42.25
Dunford	256.800	243.960	8,536.16	34.99
Great Houghton	654.400	621.680	27,669.00	44.51
Gunthwaite and Ingbirchworth	308.600	293.170	6,500.00	22.17
High Hoyland	68.900	65.455	-	-
Hunshelf	167.700	159.315	4,958.04	31.12

Langsett	106.400	101.080	3,964.38	39.22
Little Houghton	176.700	167.865	4,013.77	23.91
Oxspring	473.300	449.635	21,190.00	47.13
Penistone	4,471.100	4,247.545	196,789.00	46.33
Shafton	929.700	883.215	38,509.41	43.60
Silkstone	1,218.100	1,157.195	76,800.00	66.37
Stainborough	160.500	152.475	5,093.03	33.40
Tankersley	740.100	703.095	21,705.00	30.87
Thurgoland	799.100	759.145	12,600.00	16.60
Wortley	311.000	295.450	8,196.00	27.74
Barnsley and Other Non-Parish Areas	58,399.500	55,479.525		
Total	69,944.000	66,446.800	462,361.79	

- **(b)** that the following amounts be now calculated by the Council for the year 2023/24 in accordance with Sections 31-36 of the "the Act":-
 - (1) £230,884,361.79 being the net aggregate amount the Council estimates for items set out in Section 31A (2) and 31A (3) of the Act taking into account all Precepts issued to it by Parish Councils;
 - (2) £113,520,000 being the aggregate of the sums which the Council estimates will be payable for the year into its General Fund in respect of the Business Rate Retention Scheme and other specific grants;
 - (3) £3,572,000 being the amount which the Council estimates will be transferred in the year from its Collection Fund to its General Fund in accordance with Section 97 (3) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 (Council Tax Surplus);
 - (4) £113,792,061.79 being the amount by which the amount at (ii)(b) (1) above exceeds the aggregate of amounts at (ii)(b) (2) and (ii)(b) (3) above, calculated by the Council in accordance with Section 31A(4) of the Act as its Council Tax requirement for the year (Item R in the formula in Section 31B (1) of the Act);
 - (5) £1,712.53 calculated by the Council as being the amount at (ii)(b) (4) above (Item R in the formula in Section 31B (3); all divided by the Council Tax base as highlighted in (ii) (a) (1) above (Item T in the formula in Section 31B (1) of the Act);
 - (6) £462,361.79 being the aggregate amount of all special amounts (Parish Precepts) referred to in Section 31A (2) of the Act; as per column C in the table in (ii)(a) (2) above;
 - (7) £1,705.57 calculated by the Council as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which no special items relate being the amount at (ii)(b) (5) above less the result given by dividing the amount at (ii)(b) (6) above divided by the amount at (ii)(a) (1) (Item T in the formula in Section

31B (1) of the Act) above in accordance with Section 34 (2) of the Act.

(8) the following amounts calculated by the Council as the basic amounts of its Council Tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate:-

TABLE 2	
Section 34(3) Calculation :	
Part of the Council's Area	
Parish of :-	£
Billingley	1,722.18
Cawthorne	1,747.82
Dunford	1,740.56
Great Houghton	1,750.08
Gunthwaite & Ingbirchworth	1,727.74
High Hoyland	1,705.57
Hunshelf	1,736.69
Langsett	1,744.79
Little Houghton	1,729.48
Oxspring	1,752.70
Penistone	1,751.90
Shafton	1,749.17
Silkstone	1,771.94
Stainborough	1,738.97
Tankersley	1,736.44
Thurgoland	1,722.17
Wortley	1,733.31
This table represents the Council Tax for MBC plus Local Parishes for Band	

being the amounts given by adding to the amount at (ii)(b) (7) above the amount of the special items in (ii)(a) (2) Col D in accordance with Section 34 (3) of the Act;

(9) the amounts calculated by the Council as the amounts to be taken into account for the year in respect of categories of dwellings listed in different valuation bands are shown below.

TABLE 3

Section 36(1) Calculation:
Part of the Council's Area

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Parish of :-	A-	A	В	C	D	E	F	G	Н

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Billingley	956.77	1,148.12	1,339.48	1,530.82	1,722.18	2,104.89	2,487.59	2,870.30	3,444.36
Cawthorne	971.01	1,165.22	1,359.42	1,553.62	1,747.82	2,136.23	2,524.63	2,913.04	3,495.64
Dunford	966.98	1,160.38	1,353.77	1,547.16	1,740.56	2,127.36	2,514.14	2,900.94	3,481.12
Great Houghton	972.27	1,166.72	1,361.18	1,555.62	1,750.08	2,138.99	2,527.89	2,916.80	3,500.16
Gunthwaite & Ingbirchworth	959.86	1,151.83	1,343.80	1,535.77	1,727.74	2,111.69	2,495.62	2,879.57	3,455.48
High Hoyland	947.54	1,137.05	1,326.56	1,516.06	1,705.57	2,084.59	2,463.60	2,842.62	3,411.14
Hunshelf	964.83	1,157.80	1,350.76	1,543.72	1,736.69	2,122.63	2,508.55	2,894.49	3,473.38
Langsett	969.33	1,163.20	1,357.06	1,550.92	1,744.79	2,132.53	2,520.25	2,907.99	3,489.58
Little Houghton	960.82	1,152.99	1,345.16	1,537.31	1,729.48	2,113.81	2,498.14	2,882.47	3,458.96
Oxspring	973.72	1,168.47	1,363.22	1,557.95	1,752.70	2,142.19	2,531.68	2,921.17	3,505.40
Penistone	973.28	1,167.94	1,362.59	1,557.24	1,751.90	2,141.22	2,530.52	2,919.84	3,503.80
Shafton	971.76	1,166.12	1,360.47	1,554.82	1,749.17	2,137.88	2,526.58	2,915.29	3,498.34
Silkstone	984.41	1,181.30	1,378.18	1,575.06	1,771.94	2,165.71	2,559.47	2,953.24	3,543.88
Stainborough	966.10	1,159.32	1,352.54	1,545.75	1,738.97	2,125.41	2,511.84	2,898.29	3,477.94
Tankersley	964.69	1,157.63	1,350.57	1,543.50	1,736.44	2,122.32	2,508.19	2,894.07	3,472.88
Thurgoland	956.76	1,148.12	1,339.47	1,530.82	1,722.17	2,104.88	2,487.58	2,870.29	3,444.34
Wortley	962.95	1,155.54	1,348.14	1,540.72	1,733.31	2,118.49	2,503.67	2,888.85	3,466.62
Barnsley and Other Non- Parish Areas	947.54	1,137.05	1,326.56	1,516.06	1,705.57	2,084.59	2,463.60	2,842.62	3,411.14

This table shows the total Council Tax for Barnsley MBC and local parishes (excluding Police and Fire Precepts). The charge for individual valuation bands is calculated as a proportion of a Band D property, as per Section 5 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.

being the amounts given by multiplying the amount at (ii)(b) (8) above by the number which, in the proportion set out in Section 5 of the Act, is applicable to dwellings listed in a particular valuation band divided by the number which in that proportion is applicable to dwellings listed in valuation Band D in accordance with Section 36 (1) of the Act;

(c) that it be noted that for the year 2023/24 the under-mentioned precepting Authorities have stated the following <u>draft</u> amounts in precepts issued to the Council in accordance with Section 42A of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:-

		TABLE 4 Valuation Bands								
	Total									
	Precept	A-	A	В	C	D	E	F	G	Н
Precepting Authority:	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
South Yorkshire Fire Authority*	5,487,177	45.88	55.05	64.23	73.40	82.58	100.93	119.28	137.63	165.16
South Yorkshire Police Authority*	15,816,996	132.24	158.69	185.14	211.59	238.04	290.94	343.84	396.73	476.08

^{*} subject to confirmation

(d) that having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at (ii)(b) (9) and (ii)(c) above, the Council in accordance with Section 30 (2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the

amounts shown below as the amounts of Council Tax for the year 2023/24 for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:-

Section 30(2) Calculation : Part of the Council's Area

TABLE 5
Valuation Bands

Tart of the Council s Area									
Parish of :-	A -	A	В	C	D	E	F	G	Н
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Billingley	1,134.90	1,361.87	1,588.85	1,815.81	2,042.80	2,496.76	2,950.70	3,404.66	4,085.60
Cawthorne	1,149.14	1,378.97	1,608.79	1,838.61	2,068.44	2,528.10	2,987.74	3,447.40	4,136.88
Dunford	1,145.11	1,374.13	1,603.14	1,832.15	2,061.18	2,519.23	2,977.25	3,435.30	4,122.36
Great Houghton	1,150.40	1,380.47	1,610.55	1,840.61	2,070.70	2,530.86	2,991.00	3,451.16	4,141.40
Gunthwaite & Ingbirchworth	1,137.99	1,365.58	1,593.17	1,820.76	2,048.36	2,503.56	2,958.73	3,413.93	4,096.72
High Hoyland	1,125.66	1,350.79	1,575.93	1,801.05	2,026.19	2,476.46	2,926.72	3,376.98	4,052.38
Hunshelf	1,142.96	1,371.55	1,600.13	1,828.71	2,057.31	2,514.50	2,971.66	3,428.85	4,114.62
Langsett	1,147.46	1,376.95	1,606.43	1,835.91	2,065.41	2,524.40	2,983.36	3,442.35	4,130.82
Little Houghton	1,138.95	1,366.74	1,594.53	1,822.30	2,050.10	2,505.68	2,961.25	3,416.83	4,100.20
Oxspring	1,151.85	1,382.22	1,612.59	1,842.94	2,073.32	2,534.06	2,994.79	3,455.53	4,146.64
Penistone	1,151.41	1,381.69	1,611.96	1,842.23	2,072.52	2,533.09	2,993.63	3,454.20	4,145.04
Shafton	1,149.89	1,379.87	1,609.84	1,839.81	2,069.79	2,529.75	2,989.69	3,449.65	4,139.58
Silkstone	1,162.54	1,395.05	1,627.55	1,860.05	2,092.56	2,557.58	3,022.58	3,487.60	4,185.12
Stainborough	1,144.23	1,373.07	1,601.91	1,830.74	2,059.59	2,517.28	2,974.95	3,432.65	4,119.18
Tankersley	1,142.82	1,371.38	1,599.94	1,828.49	2,057.06	2,514.19	2,971.30	3,428.43	4,114.12
Thurgoland	1,134.89	1,361.87	1,588.84	1,815.81	2,042.79	2,496.75	2,950.69	3,404.65	4,085.58
Wortley	1,141.08	1,369.29	1,597.51	1,825.71	2,053.93	2,510.36	2,966.78	3,423.21	4,107.86
Barnsley and Other Non-Parish Areas	1,125.66	1,350.79	1,575.93	1,801.05	2,026.19	2,476.46	2,926.72	3,376.98	4,052.38

This table shows the total Council Tax for Barnsley MBC, local parishes and the Police & Fire Precepts

The table is the sum of the total Council Tax for Barnsley MBC and local parishes (Table 3) and the precept amounts for the Police and Fire Authorities respectively (Table 4).

- (e) that the Director of Finance (S151 Officer) be authorised to serve notices, enter into agreements, give receipts, make adjustments, initiate proceedings and take any action available to the Council to collect or enforce the collection of non-domestic rates and the Council Tax from those persons liable in accordance with the Council's agreed policy; and
- (f) that the Director of Finance (S151 Officer) determines in accordance with the principles determined by the Secretary of State and set out in the Referendums Relating to Council Tax Increases (Principles) (England) Report 2023/24, that Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council's relevant basic amount of Council Tax for the year 2023/24 as defined by Section 41 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 is not excessive.

- (g) that the Director of Legal and Governance be authorised to publish the Council Tax Notice in accordance with the provisions of Section 38 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.
- iii) additional one off cost of living support be provided to all eligible working age local council tax support claimants in Band 1 of the scheme, equivalent to an amount that reduces those claimant's council tax bills to zero for the 23/24 financial year.
- iv) additional one off cost of living support be provided to all eligible working age local council tax support claimants in Bands 2,3 & 4 of the scheme, equivalent to mitigating the full impact of the proposed 3.9% increase for 23/24 plus an additional £50 discount to further reduce the bills for all those eligible claimants.
- v) additional one off cost of living support equivalent to the 3.9% increase be provided to all eligible pensioners in receipt of council tax support, for the 23/24 financial year.

In favour of the motion, present at the time of votinbg

Councillors Barnard, Bellamy, Bowler Bowser, Cain, To Cave, Cherryholme, Clarke, Coates, Danforth, K Dyson, Eastwood, Ennis OBE, Franklin, Frost, Green, Hayward, Higginbottom, Sir Steve Houghton CBE, Howard, Lamb, Leech, Makinson, Markham, McCarthy, Mitchell, Moyes, Osborne, Peace, Platts, Richardson, Shepherd, Shirt, Smith, Stowe, Tattersall, Williams and Wilson.

Against the motion, present at the time of voting

Councillors Crisp, Denton, P Fielding, W Fielding, Greenhough, Hunt, Kitching, Lodge, Lowe-Flello and Wray.

There were no abstentions

3. Treasury Management Strategy & Policy Statement 2023/24

Proposed by Councillor Franklin – Seconded by Councillor Bowser; and

RESOLVED:- that Council approves the 23/24 Treasury Management Strategy and Policy Statement (included in the main papers at **Section 2c**) and specifically:

- a) approves the 23/24 Treasury Management Policy Statement (**Section 2c Appendix A**)
- b) approves the 23/24 Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) Statement (**Section 2c Appendix B**)
- c) approves the 23/24 Borrowing Strategy at **Section 2c** including the full suite of Prudential and Treasury Indicators (**Section 2c Appendix C**).
- d) approves the 23/24 Annual Investment Strategy at Section 2c.

170. Distinguished Service Award for Elected Members

Moved by Councillor Lamb - Seconded by Councillor Howard; and

RESOLVED that:-

- a) the introduction of an elected Member Distinguished Service Award be approved;
- b) the proposed criteria for receipt be approved, namely:
 - i. A currently serving Councillor with 30 years or more service as an elected Member of Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council; and
 - ii. Who has made a notable contribution to the Borough over a sustained period of time;
- c) approval be given for the recognition of a presentation gift at a meeting of Full Council and invitation to attend the Annual General Meeting as an honorary attendee upon standing down as an elected Member

Chair	