

These notes indicate the decisions taken at this meeting and the officers responsible for taking the agreed action. For background documentation please refer to the agenda and supporting papers available on the Council's web site (www.oxfordshire.gov.uk.)

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COUNTY COUNCIL - TUESDAY, 16 FEBRUARY 2016

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| <p>1. Minutes</p> <p>To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 8 December 2015 (CC1) and to receive information arising from them.</p> | <p>The Minutes of the meeting held on 8th December were approved and signed, subject to the text 'specific' being inserted before the words 'senior officer' in the 2nd paragraph of Minute 88/15 (Appointment of Independent Person).</p> | <p>CLO (D. Miller)</p> |
| <p>2. Apologies for Absence</p> | <p>Councillor Roz Smith</p> | <p>CLO (A. Newman)</p> |
| <p>3. Declarations of Interest</p> | <p>There were none.</p> | <p>CLO (A. Newman)</p> |
| <p>4. Official Communications</p> | <p>A minute's silence was held in memory of former county councillors Don Seale and Barbara Gatehouse.</p> | |
| <p>5. Appointments</p> <p>To make any changes to the membership of the Cabinet, scrutiny and other committees on the nomination of political groups.</p> | <p>There were none.</p> | |
| <p>6. Petitions and Public Address</p> | <p>The Council received the following Petitions and Public Address:</p> <p><u>Petitions</u></p> <p>Ms Mary Stiles, Parish Transport Representative for Thame, regarding bus services;</p> <p>Ms Lynne Keen regarding Children's Centres;</p> | |

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| | <p><u>Public Address</u></p> <p>Ms Josephine French regarding Children's Centres;</p> <p>Mr Malcolm Leading, parish transport representative regarding withdrawal of bus subsidies;</p> <p>Ms Donna Crook regarding bus subsidies;</p> <p>Ms Claire Soper, concerns about the Council's Proposal to close Health and Wellbeing Centres in 2017;</p> <p>Ms Clare Ellis and 1 other representative on behalf of the Homeless Voice Group;</p> <p>Ms Suzy Imeson and Ms Esme Mutter on behalf of the Stroke Association;</p> <p>Mr David Ricketts on behalf of Unite regarding early intervention Services;</p> <p>Ms Charlie Payne regarding Children's Centres;</p> <p>Ms Diane Wilson regarding Children's Centres;</p> <p>Ms Jill Huish regarding Children's Centres;</p> <p>Master Dylan Lovell regarding Children's Centres.</p> | |
| <p>7. Questions with Notice from Members of the Public</p> | <p>Mr Thomas Grey to Councillor Judith Heathcoat;</p> <p>Ms Suzy Imeson to Councillor Judith Heathcoat.</p> <p>See minutes for details.</p> | |

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| <p>8. Pay Policy Statement - Remuneration Committee Report to Council on 16 February 2016</p> <p>Report by the Chief Human Resources Officer (CC8)</p> <p>The Remuneration Committee is required to report annually to Council on the Pay Policy Statement. The report updates the pay policy statement and indicates the future proposals of the Remuneration Committee</p> <p>The Council is RECOMMENDED to:</p> <p>(a) receive the report of the Remuneration Committee;</p> <p>(b) approve the revised Pay Policy Statement at Annex 2 to this report.</p> | <p>Agreed (nem con)</p> | <p>CHRO (S. Corrigan)</p> |
| <p>9. Service & Resource Planning 2016/17</p> <p>Report by the Chief Finance Officer (CC9).</p> <p>This report is the culmination of the service & resource planning process for 2016/17 to 2019/20. It sets out the Cabinet's proposed budget for 2016/17, medium term financial plan and capital programme, together with a number of statements/policies that the Council is required to approve for the 2016/17 financial year. The report also includes the Corporate Plan to 2020.</p> <p>The report is divided into four main sections which are outlined below:</p> <p>Section 1 – Leader of the Council's overview Section 2 – Corporate Plan Section 3 – Chief Finance Officer's statutory report Section 4 – Budget Strategy and Capital</p> | <p>With the consent of Council, Councillor William moved and Councillor Coates seconded his amended motion as shown at Annex 1.</p> <p>The amendment was lost by 59 votes to 2, with 1 abstention.</p> <p>With the consent of Council, Councillor Hudspeth moved and Councillor Brighouse seconded that a full and timetabled consultation for unitary government to be put in place to discuss this issue on a cross-party basis with district, town and parish councils with the clear aim of bringing it to fruition.</p> <p>The motion was put to the vote and was carried by 57 votes to 3, with 2 abstentions.</p> | <p>CFO (K. Jurczynsyn)</p> |

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| <p>Programme</p> <p>The Council is RECOMMENDED to:</p> <p>(a) approve the Corporate Plan 2016/17 – 2019/20 as set out in section 2.0;</p> <p>(b) have regard to the Chief Finance Officer's report (at Section 3) in approving recommendations c to f below;</p> <p>(c) (in respect of revenue) approve:</p> <p>(1) the council tax and precept calculations for 2016/17 set out in section 4.3 and in particular:</p> <p>(i) a precept of £305,896,875;</p> <p>(ii) a council tax for band D equivalent properties of £1,281.64;</p> <p>(2) a budget for 2016/17 as set out in section 4.4;</p> <p>(3) a medium term plan for 2016/17 to 2019/20 as set out in section 4.1 (which incorporates changes to the existing medium term financial plan as set out in section 4.2);</p> <p>(4) the use of Dedicated Schools Grant (provisional allocation) for 2016/17 as set out in section 4.7;</p> <p>(5) virement arrangements to operate within the approved budget for 2016/17 as set out in section 4.8;</p> <p>(d) (in respect of treasury management) approve:</p> <p>(1) the Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Annual Investment Strategy for 2016/17 as set out in section 4.5;</p> <p>(2) the continued delegation of</p> | <p>With the consent of Council, Councillor Hudspeth moved an amendment to his original motion and Councillor Brighthouse seconded the following (details of amended 4.2.2 shown at Annex 2):</p> <p>The Council is RECOMMENDED to:</p> <p>(a) approve the Corporate Plan 2016/17 – 2019/20 as set out in section 2.0;</p> <p>(b) have regard to the Chief Finance Officer's report (at Section 3) in approving recommendations c to f below;</p> <p>(c) (in respect of revenue) approve:</p> <p>(1) the council tax and precept calculations for 2016/17 set out in section 4.3 and in particular:</p> <p>(i) a precept of £305,896,875;</p> <p>(ii) a council tax for band D equivalent properties of £1,281.64;</p> <p>(2) a budget for 2016/17 as set out in section 4.4, <u>as amended by new section 4.2.2</u></p> <p>(3) a medium term plan for 2016/17 to 2019/20 as set out in section 4.1 (which incorporates changes to the existing medium term financial plan as set out in section 4.2), <u>as amended by new section 4.2.2</u></p> <p>(4) the use of Dedicated</p> | |

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| <p><i>authority to withdraw or advance additional funds to/from external fund managers to the Treasury Management Strategy Team;</i></p> <p>(3) <i>that any further changes required to the 2016/17 strategy be delegated to the Chief Finance Officer in consultation with the Leader of the Council and the Cabinet Member for Finance;</i></p> <p>(4) <i>the Prudential Indicators as set out in Appendix A of section 4.5</i></p> <p>(5) <i>the Minimum Revenue Provision Methodology Statement as set out in Appendix B of section 4.5;</i></p> <p>(6) <i>the Specified Investment and Non Specified Investment Instruments as set out in Appendix C and D of section 4.5;</i></p> <p>(7) <i>the Treasury Management Policy Statement as set out at Appendix E of section 4.5;</i></p> <p>(e) <i>(in respect of balances and reserves) approve:</i></p> <p>(1) <i>the Chief Finance Officer's recommended level of balances for 2016/17 as set out in section 4.6.1</i></p> <p>(2) <i>the planned level of reserves for 2016/17 to 2019/20 as set out in section 4.6.2;</i></p> <p>(f) <i>(in respect of capital) approve:</i></p> <p>(1) <i>a Capital Programme for 2015/16 to 2019/20 as set out in section 4.9 including the Highways Structural</i></p> | <p><i>Schools Grant (provisional allocation) for 2016/17 as set out in section 4.7;</i></p> <p>(5) <i>virement arrangements to operate within the approved budget for 2016/17 as set out in section 4.8;</i></p> <p>(d) <i>(in respect of treasury management) approve:</i></p> <p>(1) <i>the Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Annual Investment Strategy for 2016/17 as set out in section 4.5;</i></p> <p>(2) <i>the continued delegation of authority to withdraw or advance additional funds to/from external fund managers to the Treasury Management Strategy Team;</i></p> <p>(3) <i>that any further changes required to the 2016/17 strategy be delegated to the Chief Finance Officer in consultation with the Leader of the Council and the Cabinet Member for Finance;</i></p> <p>(4) <i>the Prudential Indicators as set out in Appendix A of section 4.5</i></p> <p>(5) <i>the Minimum Revenue Provision Methodology Statement as set out in Appendix B of section 4.5;</i></p> <p>(6) <i>the Specified Investment and Non</i></p> | |

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| <p><i>Maintenance Programme 2016/17 and 2017/18 in section 4.9.1;</i></p> | <p><i>Specified Investment Instruments as set out in Appendix C and D of section 4.5;</i></p> <p>(7) <i>the Treasury Management Policy Statement as set out at Appendix E of section 4.5;</i></p> <p>(e) <i>(in respect of balances and reserves) approve:</i></p> <p>(1) <i>the Chief Finance Officer's recommended level of balances for 2016/17 as set out in section 4.6.1</i></p> <p>(2) <i>the planned level of reserves for 2016/17 to 2019/20 as set out in section 4.6.2;</i></p> <p>(f) <i>(in respect of capital) approve:</i></p> <p>(1) <i>a Capital Programme for 2015/16 to 2019/20 as set out in section 4.9 including the Highways Structural Maintenance Programme 2016/17 and 2017/18 in section 4.9.1;</i></p> <p>The motion was put to the vote and was carried by 60 votes to 2.</p> | |

| Green Group Budget Amendments - Revenue | | | | | |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| | 2016/17 | 2017/18 | 2018/19 | 2019/20 | TOTAL |
| Proposed Council Tax Increase | 7.00% | 3.99% | 3.99% | 3.99% | |
| Band D Council Tax | £1,318.73 | £1,371.35 | £1,426.07 | £1,482.97 | |
| | £000 | £000 | £000 | £000 | £000 |
| Cabinet Net Pressures (+) / Savings (-) | 0 | 10,316 | 6,169 | -1,250 | 15,235 |
| Corporate | | | | | |
| Additional amount to spend from having a 7.0% Council Tax increase in 2016/17 | -8,852 | -546 | -530 | -560 | -10,488 |
| Cost of Referendum in 2016/17 | 638 | -638 | | | 0 |
| Extend the proposal to create a trading arm of the Council to include other services such as Legal, Finance & HR | | -100 | -100 | -200 | -400 |
| Hire out rooms in County Hall for meetings and private functions in the evenings and weekends | -50 | | | | -50 |
| Reduce pay budgets of Senior Staff | -100 | | | | -100 |
| Share Senior Management Team with other Councils | -200 | -200 | | | -400 |
| One-off saving from reduced redundancy costs | | -400 | 400 | | 0 |
| Employers Parking Levy | | | -2,250 | -2,250 | -4,500 |
| Contribution to Capital to fund a Benelux Style Cycle network (see also capital programme amendments below) | | | 2,250 | 2,250 | 4,500 |
| Contribution to Capital to fund Insulation Scheme | 5,000 | -5,000 | | | 0 |
| Children, Education & Families | | | | | |
| Do not close Children's Centres | 800 | 4,200 | | | 5,000 |
| Retain Early Years SEN inclusive teachers provision (CEF6) | | 100 | | | 100 |
| Retain contracts for services to disabled children and families (CEF12) | | 250 | | | 250 |
| Social & Community Services | | | | | |
| Retain funding for the falls service (SCS5) | 273 | | | | 273 |
| Retain funding for carers (SCS8) | 60 | 100 | | | 160 |
| Retain funding for Information and Advice (SCS9) | | | 120 | | 120 |
| Retain funding for Carers Respite (SCS10) | | 100 | | | 100 |
| Retain funding for Intervention and Preventative Services (SCS25) | | | | 400 | 400 |
| Funding for Homeless Services | | 500 | | | 500 |
| Crisis Fund for Vulnerable people impacted by the cuts | 1,544 | -1,544 | | | 0 |
| Environment & Economy | | | | | |
| Retain funding for bus subsidies | 1,220 | | | | 1,220 |
| Increase Park & Ride Charges by £2 per day | -700 | | | | -700 |
| Subsidy for parking season ticket holders | 200 | | | | 200 |
| Increase other parking charges and CPZ Permits plus new income from additional CPZ | -250 | | | | -250 |
| Increase in the charge for Processing Licenses and Planning Applications above the proposed increase | -6 | | | | -6 |
| Increase in the general charges | -50 | | | | -50 |
| Biodiversity Specialist | 35 | | | | 35 |
| County Cycling Planning Advisory Officer | 35 | | | | 35 |
| Libraries & Culture | | | | | |
| Maintain funding to the Arts | | | 92 | | 92 |
| Delay the Library Savings for one year | 522 | -522 | | | 0 |
| Corporate Services | | | | | |
| Reduce the number of Members on the Cabinet by three | -58 | | | | -58 |
| Reduce the level of Members Allowances | -100 | | | | -100 |
| Commission a feasibility study to assist NHS PFI buyouts | 39 | | | | 39 |
| Revised Net Pressures (+) / Savings (-) | 0 | 6,616 | 6,151 | -1,610 | 11,157 |
| Change to Cashflow Position | 0 | -3,700 | -18 | -360 | -4,078 |

| 4.2.2 - Changes to the Budget Proposals - from published Council Papers | | | | | |
|--|----------|---------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| | 2016/17 | 2017/18 | 2018/19 | 2019/20 | Total |
| | £000 | £000 | £000 | £000 | £000 |
| Cabinet Net Pressures/Savings - Per Section 4.2 | 0 | 6,374 | 6,169 | -1,250 | 11,293 |
| Remove Savings: | | | | | |
| SCS21a - Tier 2 Day Services (Voluntary Sector provided Day Services) | 300 | 450 | | | 750 |
| SCS21b - Tier 3 Day Services (Health and Wellbeing Centres) | | 2,050 | | | 2,050 |
| SCS21c - Transport to Day Centres | | 200 | | | 200 |
| CEF12 -Early Intervention Hubs/Children's Centres | | 2,000 | | | 2,000 |
| New Savings: | | | | | |
| Full review of all day services for older people | | -1,000 | | | -1,000 |
| Additional contribution from Budget Reserve | -300 | 300 | | | 0 |
| Revised Net Pressures/Savings | 0 | 10,374 | 6,169 | -1,250 | 15,293 |
| As a consequence of this amendment to the published Council papers, changes will be required to: | | | | | |
| 4.1 Medium Term Financial Plan 2016/17 - 2019/20 | | | | | |
| 4.2 Summary of Proposed Budget Changes 2016/17 - 2019/20 | | | | | |
| 4.4 Detailed Revenue Budget 2016/17 | | | | | |

Explanation

1

In relation to SC21AB&C – £1.5million* with full review of the all day service for older people.

2

SC12** – Put in £2m in order to ensure in terms of service and geography the needs of the Children of Oxfordshire are met.

3

Transition – To create a cross party board of members to consider maximum benefit from use of temporary funds across services and across geography of Oxfordshire. This fund will be for 16/17 a total of £4million with £1million allocated for creating a one off pump priming fund for one year to take to districts and parishes, inviting them to commit money to support Children's Centres which they would help save, a £1million added for income generation pump priming. Homelessness budget also to be considered

4

Workplace – commit to a full review of implications with a view to implementation as early as is feasible.

5 SC1A

A review of cabinet members

* Error – should read £1million

** Error – should read CEF12