

RECORD OF OPEN DECISIONS**FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
(SPECIAL – BUDGET)**

At the Meeting of the Finance and Management Committee held on Thursday 10th January 2019, the following decisions were taken.

Urgent decisions or those exempt from call-in are indicated in the third column of the table. These decisions cannot be called in and are effective immediately.

All other decisions may be called in until 5.00pm on Friday 18th January 2019.

A request to call in a decision must be made by at least three Members, including at least one Member of the controlling group. The request must be made in writing to the Chief Executive¹.

If no request to call in a decision is received within this time limit then the decision becomes effective immediately.

<u>Agenda Item No.</u>	<u>OPEN REPORTS</u>	<u>Urgent/ Call-in Exempt</u>
6	<p><u>AGENDA ITEM</u> SERVICE BASE BUDGETS 2019 / 2020</p> <p>DECISION:</p> <p>1.1 That the proposed revenue income and expenditure for 2019/20 as detailed in Appendix 1 for the Committee's Services are considered and included in the consolidated proposals for the General Fund.</p> <p>1.2 The Committee considered and approved the proposed fees and charges as detailed in Appendix 2 for 2019/20.</p> <p>1.3 The Committee considered and approved an increase of 2% in contributions to Parish Councils in 2019/20 for Concurrent Functions.</p>	
7	<p><u>AGENDA ITEM</u> BUDGET REPORT 2019/20 INCORPORATING THE CONSOLIDATED BUDGET PROPOSALS AND MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLAN TO 2024</p> <p>DECISION:</p> <p>1.1 The Committee considered the estimates of revenue income and expenditure for 2019/20 for the General Fund and approved a level of income and expenditure as detailed in the report.</p> <p>1.2 The Committee considered and approved an increase of 2% in grants to voluntary bodies and payments to Parish Councils under concurrent functions for 2019/20.</p>	

	<p>1.3 That the Council Tax Base for 2019/20 of 33,302 (equivalent Band D) properties as detailed in Appendix 3 is approved.</p> <p>1.4 That an estimated Council Tax Surplus of £1,000,000 is declared on the Collection Fund for 2018/19 and the Council's proportion of £110,200 is transferred to the General Fund in 2019/20.</p> <p>1.5 That the rate of Council Tax for 2019/20 be deferred to the next meeting of the Committee on 14 February 2019 .</p> <p>1.6 That the updated 5-year financial projection on the General Fund to March 2024 as detailed in Appendix 1, including associated assumptions and risks as detailed in the report, is approved.</p> <p>1.7 That efficiencies and budget savings continue to be pursued where opportunities arise to sustain the current financial position.</p> <p>1.8 That the decisions made in recommendations 1.1 to 1.7 are used as the basis for consultation with local residents, businesses, voluntary and community groups, etc. and are subject to review by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.</p>	
8	<p><u>AGENDA ITEM</u> COUNCIL TAX DISCOUNT: CARE LEAVERS</p> <p>DECISION:</p> <p>1.1 The Committee deferred making a recommendation to Council, for the exercise of a discretion under Section 13A (1) C of the Local Government Act 1992 to exempt by way of a discount Derbyshire County Council Care leavers from Council Tax, to the next meeting of the Committee on 14 February 2019.</p>	
9	<p><u>AGENDA ITEM</u> COUNCIL TAX PREMIUM ON LONG-TERM EMPTY PROPERTIES</p> <p>DECISION:</p> <p>1.1 The Committee approved increasing the Council Tax Premium from 50% to 100% on properties empty for longer than 2 years but less than 5 years.</p> <p>1.2 That the Premium of 100% is effective from 1 April 2019.</p> <p>1.3 That approval was given, in principle, to increasing the Council Tax Premium to 200% on properties empty for between 5 and 10 years from 1 April 2020.</p> <p>1.4 That approval was given, in principle, to increasing the Council Tax Premium to 300% on properties empty for</p>	

	<p><i>over 10 years from 1 April 2021.</i></p> <p>1.5 That increases to 200% and 300% in future years are considered ahead of the Budget Round for 2020/21 and 2021/22 respectively.</p>	
10	<p><u>AGENDA ITEM</u> MAINTENANCE STANDARDS PROJECT BRIEF</p>	
	<p>DECISION:</p> <p>1.1 The Committee endorsed the Business Case set out in Appendix A (Project Brief - Maintenance Standards Phase 1) as a valid business reason to invest in resources to capture environmental asset maintenance data.</p> <p>1.2 The Committee approved £50,000 from earmarked reserves to deliver the project as set out in the Business Case.</p> <p>1.3 The Committee approved a new temporary post of a GIS Project Officer on a fixed-term contract for 18 months.</p>	

DATED: Friday 11th January 2019

Chief Executive

- 1 Although it is not necessary to use a prescribed form, copies are available from the Chief Executive.
- 2 NOTE – this gives an outline of the committee decision for call-in purposes but it does not necessarily reflect the final wording for minute purposes.
- 3 Insert both the agenda item number and its heading.