

RECORD OF OPEN DECISIONS**FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

At the Meeting of the Finance and Management Committee held on Thursday, 9th January 2020, 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 Monday, 20th January 2020.

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>
5.	<u>AGENDA ITEM</u> SERVICE BASE BUDGETS 2020 / 2021	
	DECISION: 1.1 The proposed revenue income and expenditure for 2020/21 as detailed in Appendix 1 for the Committee's Services were approved for inclusion in the consolidated proposals for the General Fund. 1.2 The Committee considered and approved the proposed fees and charges as detailed in Appendix 2 for 2020/21. 1.3 The Committee considered and approved an increase of 2% in contributions to Parish Councils in 2020/21 for Concurrent Functions.	
6.	<u>AGENDA ITEM</u> BUDGET REPORT 2020/21 INCORPORATING THE CONSOLIDATED BUDGET PROPOSALS AND MEDIUM-TERM FINANCIAL PLAN TO 2025	
	DECISION: 1.1 The Committee approved the estimates of revenue income and expenditure for 2020/21 for the General Fund. 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 2020/21.	

	<p>1.3 The Committee approved the Council Tax Base for 2020/21 of 34,474 (equivalent Band D) properties, as detailed in Appendix 3 to the report.</p> <p>1.4 The Committee approved that an estimated Council Tax Surplus of £800,000 be declared on the Collection Fund for 2019/20 and the Council's proportion of £83,200 be transferred to the General Fund in 2020/21.</p> <p>1.5 The Committee approved an increase of 1.95% in the rate of Council Tax for 2020/21, to be referred to Council on 26th February 2020.</p> <p>1.6 The Committee approved the updated 5-year financial projection on the General Fund to March 2025 as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report, including associated assumptions and risks as detailed in the report.</p> <p>1.7 The Committee approved that efficiencies and budget savings continue to be pursued where opportunities arise to sustain the current financial position.</p> <p>1.8 The Committee approved 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>	
7.	<p><u>AGENDA ITEM</u></p> <p>COUNCIL TAX PREMIUM ON LONG-TERM EMPTY PROPERTIES</p>	
	<p>DECISION:</p> <p><i>The Committee considered and approved to increase the Council Tax Premium to 200% on properties empty for between 5 and 10 years from 1 April 2020.</i></p>	

DATED: Monday 13th January 2020
Chief Executive

¹ Although it is not necessary to use a prescribed form, copies are available from the Chief Executive.

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. Insert both the agenda item number and its heading.