

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

At the Meeting of the Finance and Management Committee held on Thursday, 12 January 2023, 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 17:00hrs Tuesday, 24 January 2023

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>
7	<u>AGENDA ITEM</u> SERVICE BASE BUDGETS 2023 / 2024	
	DECISION: 1.1 The Committee considered the proposed revenue income and expenditure for 2023/24 as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report for the Committee's Services and 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 of the report for 2023/24. 1.3 The Committee approved a 2% increase in contributions to Parish Councils in 2023/24 for Concurrent Functions.	
8	<u>AGENDA ITEM</u> COUNCIL TAX BASE 2023/24 AND SURPLUS 2022/23	
	DECISION: 1.1 The Committee approved the Council Tax Base for 2023/24 of 37,663 (equivalent Band D) properties as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report. 1.2 The Committee approved that a Council Tax Surplus of £500,000 for 2022/23 be declared on the Collection Fund and that the Council's proportion of £50,000 be transferred to the General Fund in 2023/24.	

9	<u>AGENDA ITEM</u> ANNUAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2020-21	
	DECISION: <i>1.1 The Committee approved that the Council's Annual Statement of Accounts for 2020/21 as per Appendix 1 of the report and were signed by the Chair of the Committee for publication.</i>	
10	<u>AGENDA ITEM</u> PROPOSED CONTINUATION OF BANDED COUNCIL TAX REDUCTION SCHEME FOR 2023-2024	
	DECISION: <i>1.1 The Committee supported the continuation of a banded Council Tax Reduction Scheme for 2023/2024, as well as other changes proposed, that included:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>• Up-rating to the applicable amounts in line with the prescribed scheme but with the exception of non-dependent deduction for working age which would remain at £5.00 for 23/24 for all cases.</i> <i>• Align with Housing Benefit regulations for Ukrainian Refugees regarding habitual residence to allow the payment of council tax support.</i> <i>• Adopt the prescribed scheme for Mixed Aged Couples.</i> <i>• Adopt any other changes within the prescribed scheme in accordance with the statutory instrument due to be published in January 2023.</i> <i>• Current funding of £20,000 from the Welfare Reform Fund be continued to be set aside in 2023/2024 for hardship cases.</i> <i>1.2 The Committee recommended to Full Council the continuation with a Council Tax Reduction banded scheme and approved all other changes proposed on 22 February 2023 date.</i>	

11	<u>AGENDA ITEM</u> DECARBONISATION OF THE COUNCIL'S HOUSING STOCK	
	DECISION: 1.1 <i>The Committee ratified the approval of the report given by the Housing and Community Services Committee on 5 January 2023.</i> 1.2 <i>The Committee approved the Council bidding for funding of £1.8 million from "Wave 2.1" of the Government's Social Housing Decarbonisation Grant fund informed by the findings of Nottingham City report on energy efficiency and subsequent bid for Wave 1 funding.</i> 1.3 <i>The Committee approved that, in the event the bid was successful, the Council agreed to make the required landlord contribution of 50% of the total cost of improvements that would be delivered by the scheme (approximately £876,000 over 3 years)</i> 1.4 <i>The Committee approved that in the event of a successful bid that the Council approved the acceptance and receipt of any bid funding</i> 1.5 <i>The Committee agreed that the financial implications of submitting the bid be referred to the Finance and Management Committee for approval.</i>	
12	<u>AGENDA ITEM</u> COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME	
	DECISION: 1.1 <i>The Committee considered and approved the updated work programme</i> 1.2	

DATED: Tuesday, 17 January 2023

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.