

**GATESHEAD METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**Thursday, 22 February 2018**

**PRESENT:** THE MAYOR COUNCILLOR P DILLON (CHAIR)

Councillors: J Adams, R Beadle, D Bradford, C Bradley, M Brain, L Caffrey, M Charlton, B Clelland, P Craig, S Craig, W Dick, C Donovan, A Douglas, D Duggan, John Eagle, K Ferdinand, M Foy, P Foy, M Gannon, A Geddes, B Goldsworthy, M Goldsworthy, M Graham, L Green, S Green, G Haley, M Hall, M Henry, M Hood, L Kirton, J Lee, P Maughan, K McCartney, J McClurey, J McElroy, C McHatton, C McHugh, E McMaster, P McNally, M McNestry, P Mole, R Mullen, B Oliphant, M Ord, I Patterson, C Davison, J Simpson, J Turnbull, J Wallace, N Weatherley, A Wheeler and K Wood

**APOLOGIES:** Councillors: J Green, A Thompson, D Davidson, S Dickie, K Dodds, J Graham, T Graham, S Hawkins, H Haran, J Kielty, C Ord, S Ronchetti and L Twist

**CL91 CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2018/19 TO 2022/23**

Consideration was given to a report seeking approval of the capital programme for the next five years to provide significant levels of strategic investment to deliver priority outcomes within the Council Plan.

- COUNCIL RESOLVED -
- (i) That the capital programme for 2018/19 be approved, and the provisional programmes for 2019/20 to 2022/23, as set out in Appendix 2 of the report, subject to external funding approvals being received be approved.
  - (ii) That the provisional capital financing for the programme, as set out in Appendix 3 of the report, be noted and that authority be delegated to the Strategic Director, Corporate Resources to enter into prudential borrowing which is consistent with the requirements of the capital programme and the Council's Treasury Management Strategy.
  - (iii) That the position in relation to the additional flexibility regarding the application of capital receipts to fund the

revenue costs of transformational projects outlined in Appendix 4 of the report be noted and that further updates be received to confirm specific investment plans as part of the capital programme monitoring reports during the year.

#### **CL92 FEES AND CHARGES 2018/19**

Consideration was given to a report seeking approval of the level of fees and charges for the Council for 2018/19.

- COUNCIL RESOLVED -
- (i) That the Fees and Charges as set out for 2018/19 in Appendix 2 of the report be approved.
  - (ii) That the Strategic Director, Corporate Resources, be authorised to make any necessary adjustments to correct any errors in the schedule of Fees and Charges.

#### **CL93 BUDGET AND COUNCIL TAX LEVEL 2018/19**

Consideration was given to a report seeking approval of the Budget and Council Tax level for 2018/19. As part of the council tax setting process approval was also sought for the prudential indicators and Minimum Revenue Position Statement.

Councillor Wallace moved the following amendment to this report:

“At end of recommendations on page 101 add “but instructs the Chief Executive to transfer from the general reserves £1 million to be used for street sweeping and grounds maintenance”.

*In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 20.4, a recorded vote was taken as follows:-*

Councillors For the amendment:- R Beadle, P Craig, S Craig, D Duggan, P Maughan, J McClurey, C McHatton, M Ord, I Patterson and J Wallace.

Councillors Against the amendment:- J Adams, D Bradford, C Bradley, M Brain, L Caffrey, M Charlton, B Clelland, C Davison, W Dick, P Dillon, C Donovan, A Douglas, J Eagle, K Ferdinand, M Foy, P Foy, M Gannon, A Geddes, B Goldsworthy, M Goldsworthy, M Graham, S Green, L Green, G Haley, M Hall, M Henry, M Hood, L Kirton, J Lee, K McCartney, J McElroy, C McHugh, E McMaster, P McNally, M McNestry, P Mole, R Mullen, B Oliphant, J Simpson, J Turnbull, N Weatherley, A Wheeler and K Wood.

Councillors Abstained:- Nil

On the amendment being put it was defeated.

The original recommendation was put as the substantive motion.

Councillors For the recommendation:- J Adams, D Bradford, C Bradley, M Brain, L Caffrey, M Charlton, B Clelland, C Davison, W Dick, P Dillon, C Donovan, A Douglas, J Eagle, K Ferdinand, M Foy, P Foy, M Gannon, A Geddes, B Goldsworthy, M Goldsworthy, M Graham, S Green, L Green, G Haley, M Hall, M Henry, M Hood, L Kirton, J Lee, K McCartney, J McElroy, C McHugh, E McMaster, P McNally, M McNestry, P Mole, R Mullen, B Oliphant, J Simpson, J Turnbull, N Weatherley, A Wheeler and K Wood.

Councillors Against the recommendation:- R Beadle, P Craig, S Craig, D Duggan, P Maughan, J McClurey, C McHatton, M Ord, I Patterson and J Wallace.

The original recommendation was duly carried.

COUNCIL RESOLVED -

- (1) That Gateshead's Band D council tax for 2018/19 be increased by 4.99% (including a 2% adult social care Government charge) to £1,686.63.
- (2) The revenue estimates of £203.466 million for 2018/19 be approved.
- (3) The use of £1.337 million Strategic Revenue Investment Reserve in 2018/19 be approved.
- (4) That the indicative schools funding presented in Appendix 2 of the report be agreed.
- (5) That the conclusions of the Strategic Director, Corporate Resources, in respect of the robustness of budget estimates and adequacy of reserves be noted.
- (6) That the prudential and treasury indicators set out in Appendix 6 of the report be agreed.
- (7) That the method of calculating the Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) for 2018/19 as set out in Appendix 7 of the report be approved.
- (8) That the options included in the budget (following the outcome of consultation) in Appendix 2 of the report be approved.
- (9) That it be noted that at its meeting on 23 January 2018, Cabinet agreed the following amounts for the year 2018/19 in accordance with regulations made under Section 31B (3) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 as amended by the Localism Act 2011:-
  - (a) **51,462.4** being the amount calculated by the Council, in accordance with regulation 3 of the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax

Base)(England) Regulations 2012, as its Council Tax base for the year;

(b) **1,212.1** for Lamesley Parish being the amount calculated by the Council, in accordance with regulation 6 of the Regulations, as the amount of its Council Tax base for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which special items relate.

(10) That the following amounts be now calculated by the Council for the year 2018/19 in accordance with Sections 31A, 31B and 34 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended by the Localism Act 2011 ('the Act'):-

(a) **£574,850,562** being the aggregate total of the expenditure amounts, which the Council estimates for the items, set out in Section 31A (2) of the Act taking into account the precept issued by Lamesley Parish Council.

(b) **(£488,041,760)** being the aggregate total of the income amounts, which the Council estimate for the items, set out in Section 31A (3) of the Act

(c) **£86,808,802** being the amount by which the aggregate at (a) above exceeds the aggregate at (b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31A (4) of the Act, as its Council Tax requirement for the year including Lamesley Parish Council

(d) **£1,686.8394** being the amount at (c) above, all divided by the amount at (9)(a) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31B (1) of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year including Lamesley Parish Council

(e) **£10,815.00** being the aggregate amount of all special items (Lamesley Parish Council) referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act

(f) **£1,686.6292** being the amount at (d) less the result given by dividing the amount at (e) above by the amount at (9)(a) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 34(2) of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which no special item (Lamesley Parish Council) relates

(g) Part of the Council's area: Lamesley Parish  
**£1,695.5492** being the amounts given by adding to the amount at (f) above the amounts of the special item or items relating to dwellings in those parts of the Council's area mentioned above divided in each case by the amount at (9)(b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 34(3) of the Act, 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 (Lamesley Parish Council) relate

(h)

Valuation Band	Lamesley Parish £	All other parts of the Council's area £
A	5.95	1,124.42
B	6.94	1,311.82
C	7.93	1,499.23
D	8.92	1,686.63
E	10.91	2,061.44
F	12.89	2,436.24
G	14.87	2,811.05
H	17.84	3,373.26

being the amounts given by multiplying the amounts at (f) and (g) above by the number which, in the proportion set out in Section 5(1) 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, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 36(1) of the Act, as the amounts to be taken into account for the year in respect of categories of dwellings listed in different valuation bands.

- (11) That it be noted that for the year 2018/19, the Police and Crime Commissioner for Northumbria, and Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Authority have stated the following amounts in precepts issued to the Council, in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:-

Valuation Band	Police and Crime Commissioner for Northumbria £	Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Authority £
A	73.55	53.29
B	85.81	62.18
C	98.07	71.06
D	110.33	79.94
E	134.85	97.71
F	159.37	115.47
G	183.88	133.23
H	220.66	159.88

- (12) That, having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts of (10) (h) and (11) above, the Council in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the following amounts as the amounts of Council Tax for the year 2018/19 for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:-

Valuation Band	Lamesley Parish £	All other parts of the Council's area £
A	1,257.21	1,251.26
B	1,466.75	1,459.81
C	1,676.29	1,668.36
D	1,885.82	1,876.90
E	2,304.91	2,294.00
F	2,723.97	2,711.08
G	3,143.03	3,128.16
H	3,771.64	3,753.80

- (13) That under section 52ZB of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (as amended by the Localism Act 2011), the Council's relevant basic amount of council tax for 2018/19 is not excessive in accordance with the principles determined under section 52ZC of the Act.

**Mayor.....**