

Meeting Council

**Date and Time** Wednesday, 26th February, 2020 at 7.00 pm.

Venue King Alfred Conference Chamber, Guildhall, Winchester

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Ordinary Meeting of the Council will be held at 7.00 pm on Wednesday, 26th February, 2020 in the King Alfred Conference Chamber, Guildhall, Winchester and all Members of the Council are summoned to attend.

#### **AGFNDA**

- 1. Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 15 January 2020 (Pages 9 14)
- 2. **Disclosure of Interests**

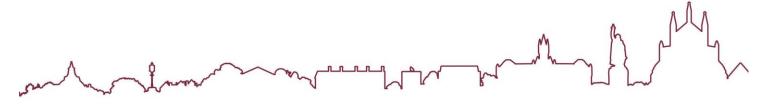
To receive any disclosure of interests from Members or Officers in matters to be discussed.

Note: Councillors are reminded of their obligations to declare disclosable pecuniary interests, personal and/or prejudicial interests in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct.

- 3. Announcements from the Mayor, Leader and Chief Executive.
- 4. Questions from Members of the Public

To receive and answer and questions from the public. (Questions must be received in writing by Democratic Services – democracy@winchester.gov.uk – no later than noon, 19 February 2020)

- 5. To consider and determine the following Recommended Minutes:
  - a) CABINET 12 FEBRUARY 2020 TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2020/21 (CAB3218) (Pages 15 44)



### RECOMMENDED:

- 1. THAT THE TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY STATEMENT WHICH INCLUDES THE ANNUAL TREASURY INVESTMENT STRATEGY FOR 2020/21 (AND THE REMAINDER OF 2019/20) BE APPROVED.
- 2. THAT AUTHORITY BE DELEGATED TO THE SECTION 151 OFFICER TO MANAGE THE COUNCIL'S HIGH YIELDING INVESTMENTS PORTFOLIO AND LONG TERM BORROWING ACCORDING TO THE TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY STATEMENT AS APPROPRIATE.
- 3. THAT AUTHORITY BE DELEGATED TO THE SECTION 151 OFFICER, WHO IN TURN DELEGATES TO HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL'S DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE RESOURCES, AS AGREED IN THE SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT, TO MANAGE ALL COUNCIL INVESTMENTS (OTHER THAN THE HIGH YIELD PORTFOLIO) AND SHORT TERM BORROWING ACCORDING TO THE TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY STATEMENT AS APPROPRIATE.
- b) CABINET 12 FEBRUARY 2020 CAPITAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY 2020-2030 (CAB3209) (Pages 45 84)

### RECOMMENDED:

- 1. THE CAPITAL PROGRAMME AND CAPITAL PROGRAMME FINANCING (APPENDICES A AND B TO THE REPORT) BE APPROVED.
- 2. THE MINIMUM REVENUE PROVISION (MRP) POLICY STATEMENT (APPENDIX E) BE APPROVED.
- 3. THE PRUDENTIAL INDICATORS DETAILED IN THE REPORT AND ITS APPENDICES BE APPROVED.
- **4.** THAT THE COUNCIL MAY NEED TO INCREASE ITS EXTERNAL BORROWING IN 2020/21 SUBJECT TO DELIVERY OF THE PROPOSED CAPITAL PROGRAMME.
- c) CABINET 12 FEBRUARY 2020 MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY, BUDGET AND COUNCIL TAX 2020/21 (CAB3211) (Pages 85 130)

### RECOMMENDED:

1. THAT THE MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY BE

## APPROVED AS SET OUT IN THE REPORT.

- 2. THAT THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR 2020/21, UPDATED FORECAST FOR 2019/20, AND THE SUMMARY BE AGREED AS SHOWN IN APPENDIX A TO THE REPORT.
- 3. THAT THE INVESTMENT PROPOSALS SET OUT IN SECTION 17 OF THIS REPORT BE SUPPORTED, INCLUDING:
  - a. £50,000 PER ANNUM TO FUND ADDITIONAL PARKING ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS;
  - b. AN ANNUAL PROVISION OF £350,000 TO THE PARKING RESERVE TO FUND ADDITIONAL PARK AND RIDE INITIATIVES AND SUPPORT INVESTMENT IN OTHER TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT RELATED SERVICES:
  - c. £247,000 TO IMPLEMENT A FULL SURVEY OF ALL COUNCIL TREES AND FUND ASSOCIATED REMEDIAL WORKS (NET IMPACT OF £84,000 ON THE GENERAL FUND, WITH THE REMAINING COSTS MET FROM WINCHESTER TOWN ACCOUNT AND THE HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR TREES WITHIN THE CONTROL OF THOSE BUDGETS);
  - d. ONE OFF PROVISION OF £105,000 TO SUPPORT FEASIBILITY STUDIES AND BUILDING SURVEY WORK FOR THE CENTRAL WINCHESTER REGENERATION PROJECT:
  - e. THAT £750,000, FUNDED FROM THE TRANSITIONAL RESERVE, BE APPROVED TO FUND THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CARBON NEUTRALITY ACTION PLAN WITH FURTHER DETAILS OF SPECIFIC PROPOSALS TO BE REPORTED TO CABINET IN JUNE 2020:
  - f. THAT ONE-OFF PROVISION OF £500,000, FUNDED FROM THE TRANSITIONAL RESERVE BE MADE TO SUPPORT THE TRANSFORMATION PROPOSALS SET OUT IN THE MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY, WITH SPECIFIC PROPOSALS TO BE REPORTED TO CABINET LATER IN 2020.
- **4.** THAT THE SAVINGS PROPOSALS SET OUT IN SECTION 18 OF THE REPORT BE APPROVED, INCLUDING:
  - a. THE IMPLEMENTATION OF AN ENHANCED GARDEN WASTE SERVICE FROM FEBRUARY 2021, WITH FURTHER DETAILS ON THE PROPOSAL INCLUDING THE CHARGING ARRANGEMENTS BEING REPORTED TO CABINET IN JUNE 2020;
  - b. THE CLOSURE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCES AT MIDDLEBROOK ST AND WORTHY LANE, WINCHESTER.

- 5. THAT THE PROPOSALS FOR CHANGES TO PARKING CHARGES BE APPROVED, AS SET OUT IN SECTION 19 OF THE REPORT:
  - PARKING CHARGES (WITH THE EXCEPTION OF (PARK AND RIDE CHARGES) BE INCREASED BY 3% (ROUNDED TO THE NEAREST 10P);
  - b. THAT A "FLAT RATE" CHARGE OF £2 BE INTRODUCED ON SUNDAYS IN ALL "CENTRAL" CAR PARKS, THE ACCESS TO WHICH ALL FALL WITHIN THE CITY'S AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT AREA. THESE INCLUDE:
    - THE BROOKS
    - MIDDLEBROOK ST
    - COLEBROOK ST
    - FRIARSGATE
    - GUILDHALL YARD
    - JEWRY ST
    - COSSACK LANE
    - UPPER BROOK ST
    - ST PETERS ST
    - TOWER ST
    - GLADSTONE ST
  - c. THAT WEEKDAY CHARGING PERIOD FOR THE "CENTRAL" AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT AREA CAR PARKS BE EXTENDED TO 7PM FOR A PILOT 6 MONTH PERIOD:
  - d. THAT DAILY PARK AND RIDE CHARGES BE INCREASED BY 50P:
  - e. THAT DISCOUNTED PARKING CHARGES FOR WEEKLY AND MONTHLY SEASON TICKETS AT CATTLE MARKET AND WORTHY LANE CAR PARKS BE REMOVED:
  - f. THAT A REVISED PARKING INVESTMENT PROGRAMME BE BROUGHT BACK TO CABINET BY SEPTEMBER 2020 WITH DETAILED PROPOSALS FOR ADDITIONAL INVESTMENT IN TRANSPORT RELATED SERVICES:
  - g. THAT ALL PARKING RELATED CHANGES SET OUT ABOVE, BE IMPLEMENTED WITH EFFECT FROM JULY OR AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE THEREAFTER;
  - h. THAT, SUBJECT TO CONTRACT, PARK AND RIDE BUS SERVICES BE EXTENDED IN THE EVENINGS AND INTRODUCED ON SUNDAYS FROM THE ST CATHERINES PARK AND RIDE SITE.
- 6. THAT THE POLICY AS PREVIOUSLY AGREED BY THE COUNCIL ON 14 JULY 1999 (MIN 186 REFERS) TO TREAT ALL EXPENSES OF THE COUNCIL AS GENERAL EXPENSES OTHER THAN THOSE SPECIFICALLY IDENTIFIED AND ITEMISED IN THE WINCHESTER TOWN ACCOUNT BE CONFIRMED. IN CONSEQUENCE OF WHICH

THE SUM OF £1,006,776 BE TREATED AS SPECIAL EXPENSES UNDER SECTION 35 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE ACT 1992 IN RESPECT OF THE WINCHESTER TOWN AREA, APPENDIX D.

- 7. THAT THE COUNCIL TAX FOR THE SPECIAL EXPENSES IN THE WINCHESTER TOWN AREA AT BAND D FOR 2020/21 BE INCREASED IN LINE WITH THE TOWN FORUM RECOMMENDATION.
- 8. THAT THE TOTAL DEFICIT BALANCE ON THE COUNCIL TAX COLLECTION FUND CALCULATED IN JANUARY 2020 OF £144,278, £18,676 FOR THIS COUNCIL BE APPROVED.
- 9. THAT THE LEVEL OF COUNCIL TAX AT BAND D FOR CITY COUNCIL SERVICES FOR 2020/21 BE INCREASED BY 3% TO £143.09.

**NOTE:** CAB3228 – ACTIONS & FEEDBACK FROM SCRUTINY COMMITTEE HELD 5 FEBRURAY 2020 ON CABINET REPORTS has been included in the agenda pack as background for Council's decisions related to financial papers including the budget.

TO PASS A FORMAL RESOLUTION SETTING THE COUNCIL TAX FOR THE CITY OF WINCHESTER FOR THE YEAR COMMENCING 1 APRIL 2020.

d) CABINET - 12 FEBRUARY 2020 - HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT (HRA) BUDGET 2020/21 & BUSINESS PLAN (CAB3214) (Pages 131 - 154)

## RECOMMENDED:

- 1. THAT THE 2020/21 HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT BUDGET AND FINAL FORECAST FOR 2019/20 BE APPROVED, AS DETAILED IN APPENDICES 1 AND 2 TO THE REPORT.
- 2. THAT A RENT INCREASE IN 2020/21 BE APPROVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GOVERNMENT'S NATIONAL RENT STANDARD (SEPTEMBER CPI + 1%) RESULTING IN AN AVERAGE RENT INCREASE OF 2.7%.
- 3. THAT CAPITAL EXPENDITURE IN 2020/21 OF £9.1M BE APPROVED FOR THE MAINTENANCE, IMPROVEMENT AND RENEWAL PROGRAMME AS DETAILED IN APPENDIX 3 OF THE REPORT, IN

ACCORDANCE WITH FINANCIAL PROCEDURE RULE 6.4.

- 4. THAT CAPITAL EXPENDITURE IN 2020/21 OF £26.91M BE APPROVED FOR THE NEW BUILD PROGRAMME AS DETAILED IN APPENDIX 4 OF THE REPORT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH FINANCIAL PROCEDURE RULE 6.4.
- 5. THAT FUNDING FOR THE HRA CAPITAL PROGRAMME BE APPROVED, AS DETAILED IN APPENDIX 5 OF THE REPORT, INCLUDING THE ADDITIONAL BORROWING REQUIREMENT.
- 6. THAT THE HRA FINANCIAL PLAN OPERATING ACCOUNT EXTRACT BE APPROVED, INCLUDING ANNUAL WORKING BALANCES, AS DETAILED IN APPENDIX 6.
- 6. **Dispensation Consideration (CL152)** (Pages 155 158) Report of the Monitoring Officer
- 7. Changes to Committee Memberships

To receive any resignations from committees and to make any necessary reappointments.

8. Questions from Members of Council

The total time for questions and the answer and supplementaries thereto shall not exceed 30 minutes.

- 9. **EXEMPT BUSINESS:** To consider whether in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.
  - (i) To pass a resolution that the public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business because it is likely that, if members of the public were present, there would be disclosure to them of 'exempt information' as defined by Section 100 (I) and Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.
- Organisational Development (CL151) (Pages 159 162)
   Report of the Chief Executive.

LAURA TAYLOR
Chief Executive

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**Quorum** = 12 members

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