

Agenda Item No.4 (a)

MINUTES of a meeting of **CABINET** held on 24 January 2012 at County Hall, Matlock.

P R E S E N T

Councillor A I Lower (in the Chair)

Councillors J A Allsop, Mrs C A Hart, C W Jones, B Lewis M V Longden, K L Parkinson and S A Spencer.

Councillor S Flitter also attended.

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor J P Harrison.

25/12 ISSUES RAISED BY THE MINORITY GROUP LEADERS

Councillor Flitter raised the following – In respect of the Council's proposals for the Youth Service, what was the actual spend on Youth Club provision and what percentage of this would be fed back into the proposed new grants scheme?

26/12 BUDGET CONSULTATION A report was presented on the results of the budget consultation exercise that had been undertaken in the preparation of the 2012/3 Budgets.

RESOLVED that the views of the on-line consultation respondents and other consultees be taken into account in determining the revenue and capital budgets for 2012/13.

27/12 REVENUE BUDGET 2012/13 A report was presented to obtain approval for proposals for the budget for 2012/13 for submission to Council. The proposals were within the context of currently known information about the budget for 2011/12; Formula Grant and other funding announcements; Taxbase and Collection Fund information; Pay, price, pension and other base budget assumptions; budget reduction targets; service pressures; reserves; and five year financial planning.

RESOLVED to recommend to Council that it: -

- (i) notes the Local Government settlement and the Council Taxbase and Collection Fund positions as set out in the report.
- (ii) notes the details of the Council Tax Freeze Grant to be paid in 2011/12 and 2012/13 as outlined in Section (e) of the report.

- (iii) notes the Government's expectations about Council Tax levels for 2012/13 as outlined in section (q) of the report.
- (iv) approves the level and allocation of budget reductions in Section (i) of the report (£25.000m).
- (v) approves the contingency to cover Pay, Job Evaluation and non-standard inflation as outlined in Section (k) of the report (£2.510m), the contingency to be allocated by the Director of Finance and Chief Executive once the pay award and non standard inflation have been agreed.
- (vi) approves the priority growth items identified in Section (j) of the report (ongoing pressures - £10.817m, one-off pressures - £11.200m, debt charges- £0.435m).
- (vii) approves the Council Tax requirement of £280,383,289 which is calculated as follows:

	£
Net Budget Requirement	530,800,000
Less Revenue Support Grant	(3,738,964)
Less National Non Domestic Rates	(192,881,611)
Less Council Tax Freeze Grant	(7,003,997)
Less New Homes Bonus	(839,584)
Less Local Services Support Grant	(2,286,731)
Less General Grant	<u>(43,665,824)</u>
	280,383,289

- (viii) approves that the Director of Finance allocates cash limits amongst Cabinet portfolios; Chief Officers will then report to Cabinet on the revised service plans for 2012/13.
- (ix) notes the Director of Finance's comments about the robustness of the estimates, adequacy of reserves and potential liabilities that may arise in future years.
- (x) notes the Five Year Financial Plan projections of expenditure and income up to 2016/17 and that service departments be asked to address the issues covered by the projections in their review of service plans.

(xi) approves precepts of:

	<u>Amount Collected</u> £	<u>Collection Fund Surplus/(Deficit)</u> £	<u>Amount Actually Due</u> £
Amber Valley	44,456,993	14,369	44,471,362
Bolsover	24,694,384	(332,743)	24,361,641
Chesterfield	35,348,609	293,343	35,641,952
Derbyshire Dales	32,179,175	(227,107)	31,952,068
Erewash	38,355,211	440,913	38,796,124
High Peak	34,448,357	44,350	34,492,707
North East Derbyshire	35,652,579	246,523	35,899,102
South Derbyshire	34,643,333	125,000	34,768,333
Total	279,778,641	604,648	280,383,289

(xii) approves that billing authorities are informed of the Council Tax levels arising from the budget proposals as follows:

Council Tax

<u>Band</u>	<u>2011/12</u>	<u>2012/13</u>
	£	£
A	718.15	718.15
B	837.84	837.84
C	957.53	957.53
D	1,077.22	1,077.22
E	1,316.60	1,316.60
F	1,555.98	1,555.98
G	1,795.37	1,795.37
H	2,154.44	2,154.44

28/12 PRUDENTIAL CODE FOR CAPITAL FINANCE, CAPITAL PROGRAMME APPROVALS AND TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

A report was presented seeking agreement to make recommendations to Council on:-

- The capital starts programme for 2012-13.
- The Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) policy for 2012-13.

- Compliance with, and set limits under CIPFA's Prudential Code and the Treasury Management in the Public Services: Code of Practice and Cross Sectoral Guidance Notes
- A Treasury Management Strategy for 2012-13.

RESOLVED to recommend to Council:-

- (1) the 2012-13 Capital Starts Programme as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report, and that further reports on the detailed schemes be brought to Cabinet;
- (2) the MRP policy for 2012-13 as detailed in paragraph 2.10 of the report;
- (3) the adoption of the Prudential Indicators as described in paragraphs 2.5, 2.6, 2.8 and 2.12-2.16 of the report;
- (4) the Treasury Management Strategy for 2012-13 as described in Appendix 2 to the report, and taking into account the guidance issued by the CLG as described in paragraph 9(b) of the report; and
- (5) the adoption of CIPFA's Code of Practice on Treasury Management and Cross Sectoral Guidance Notes (revised November 2009), as shown in Appendix 2, and the Treasury Management Policy Statement as specified in the Treasury Management Code of Practice and set out in Appendix 3 to the report.