## COUNCIL

**Date and Time:** Thursday, 27 February 2020 at 7.00 pm

Place: Council Chamber, Civic Offices, Fleet

Present:

## **COUNCILLORS -**

Wheale - (Chairman)

**Ambler** Oliver **Davies** Quarterman Axam Delaney **Bailey Radley** Dorn Smith **Blewett** Drage **Butler** Farmer **Tomlinson** Clarke Forster Wildsmith Cockarill Kennett Worlock Crampton Kinnell Wright

Crisp Makepeace-Browne

Crookes Neighbour

Officers Present:

Patricia Hughes Joint Chief Executive Daryl Phillips Joint Chief Executive

Andrew Vallance Head of Corporate Services

Ken Trotter Capita

Gill Chapman Committee Services

## 60 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 30 January 2020 were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

## 61 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Collings, Lamb and Southern.

## 62 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations were made.

# 63 COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 12 – QUESTIONS BY THE PUBLIC

No questions received.

# 64 COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 14 – QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

No questions received.

## 65 CHAIRMANS ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman had attended the following events on behalf of the Council.

I February
I5 February
I8 February
Everyone Active "Active for all Afternoon" at Hart Leisure Centre
Pelly Concert Orchestra Valentine Concert, Elvetham Heath
Lions Charity Dinner, Gurkha Inn Restaurant, Fleet

## 66 CABINET MEMBERS ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Cabinet Member for Finance and Corporate Services, **Councillor Radley** reported:

Members will be delighted to learn that we have good news from both of our leisure centres.

The Frogmore Leisure Centre's refurbishment work is going well and should complete ahead of schedule, certainly before the end of March.

January saw attendance records broken yet again with our highest ever attendance across both Leisure Centres, with 71,985 visits overall. This is an increase of 1,070 over the previous record set in March 2019. The attendance at Hart Leisure Centre was itself an individual record with 58,511 visits, an increase of 1,595 over the previous high also set in March of last year.

The Cabinet Member for Place, Councillor Cockarill, announced

I am delighted to confirm to Full Council that we have received the Inspector's Report on our Local Plan and he has found the Plan to be sound. We can now move on to the final stage, which is to adopt the Local Plan, next month.

Members will know how long this process has been and I wish to put on record my thanks for all of the hard work that has been put in on this project over many years, by both our staff and by fellow and former councillors, from all parties and none. I would also like to thank the Planning Policy team at East Hants, who put in a lot of work to help get us to this point.

The Cabinet Member for Commercialisation, Councillor Quarterman, reported:

I have been in discussion with the Commercial Manager and the Joint Chief Executives about how best to keep members informed of progress on our commercialisation strategy, given the confidential nature of the subject. I have agreed with Councillor Crookes that the most appropriate way of doing this will be through a quarterly confidential briefing to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, which may be attended by any members of the Council. The format will consist of a briefing paper from the Commercial Manager and myself, followed by an opportunity for Councillors to ask questions. These sessions will take place using the existing

protocols for confidentiality, and will not be minuted. The first of these briefings will take place at the next meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee on Tuesday, 17 March.

## 67 JOINT CHIEF EXECUTIVES' REPORT

The Joint Chief Executives reported that the Examiners Report on the Crookham Village Neighbourhood Plan would be considered at a special, one item agenda, Cabinet meeting after the Council meeting on 26 March.

## 68 MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

Meeting Date

Overview and Scrutiny (draft) 21 January 2020

No questions asked.

Standards (draft) 20 January 2020

No questions asked.

# Minute 7 - Allegations Against Councillors

Councillor Clarke put the recommendation, seconded by Councillor Crampton

#### **RESOLVED**

That the updated Arrangements for Dealing with Allegations be adopted.

#### **Minute 8 - Petitions Protocol**

Councillor Clarke put the recommendation, seconded by Councillor Crampton

#### **RESOLVED**

That the updated Petitions Protocol be approved.

Cabinet (draft) 6 February 2020

No questions asked.

Minute 97 - Budget 2020/ 2021 (See item 10 below)

Minute 98 taken after item 10 - see below.

Staffing (draft) I I February 2020

No questions asked.

## **Minute 6 - Pay Policy Statement**

Councillor Kennett put the recommendation, seconded by Councillor Drage.

#### **RESOLVED**

That the Pay Policy 2020/2021 be approved.

# Minute 10 - Review of Market Supplements for Heads of Service

Councillor Kennett put the recommendation, seconded by Councillor Neighbour.

#### **RESOLVED**

That the creation of 'spot pay points' for Heads of Service be approved. Subject to any job descriptions being altered.

# Planning (draft)

12 February 2020

No questions asked.

## 69 BUDGET 2020/2021

Council considered the summary of Cabinet's revenue and capital budget recommendations for 2020/20121, enabling Council to calculate and approve the Council Tax requirement for 2020/21. The report also included the Head of Corporate Services' (Section 151) statutory statement to Council on the robustness of the estimates and adequacy of reserves.

Councillor Radley put the recommendation, seconded by Councillor Neighbour.

Members considered the potential pressures and loss of funding streams for next year, climate change, commercialisation, garden community and parking.

After debate a Recorded Vote was taken:

FOR the Recommendation: Ambler, Axam, Bailey, Blewett, Butler, Clarke, Cockarill, Crisp, Davies, Delaney, Drage, Kinnell, Makepeace-Browne, Neighbour, Oliver, Quarterman, Radley, Smith, Wildsmith (19)

AGAINST the Recommendation: Crampton, Crookes, Dorn, Farmer, Forster, Worlock, Wright (7)

ABSTENTIONS: Kennett, Tomlinson, Wheale (3)

The Recommendation was therefore CARRIED

## **DECISION**

- I. That the Council Tax Base for 2020/21 be noted
  - (a) for the whole Council area as 41,105.34 [Item T in the formula in Section 31B(1) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended (the "Act")]; and
  - (b) for dwellings in those parts of its area to which a Parish precept relates.

- 2. The Council Tax requirement for the Council's own purposes for 2020/21 (excluding Parish precepts) is £7,269,068
- 3. That the following amounts be calculated for the year 2020/21 in accordance with Sections 31 and 34 to 36 of the Act:
- (a) £39,593,084 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(2) of the Act taking into account all precepts issued to it by Parish Councils.
- (b) £28,928,542 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3) of the Act.
- (c) £10,664,542 being the amount by which the aggregate at 3(a) above exceeds the aggregate at 3(b) above, calculated by the Council in accordance with Section 31A(4) of the Act as its Council Tax requirement for the year. (Item R in the formula in Section 31B(1) of the Act).
- (d) £259.44 being the amount at 3(c) above (Item R), all divided by Item T (I(a) above), calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31B of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year (including Parish precepts).
- (e) £3,395,474 being the aggregate amount of all special items (Parish precepts) referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act
- (f) £176.84 being the amount at 3(d) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 3(e) above by Item T (I(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 Parish precept relates.
- (g) The amounts set out for each part of the Council's area being the amounts given by adding to the amount at 3(f) above the amounts of the special items relating to dwellings in those parts of the Council's area divided in each case by the amount at 1(b) above, calculated by the Council in accordance with Section 34 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 relate.
- (h) The amounts set out for each part of the Council's area being the amounts given by multiplying the amounts at 3(g) above by the number which, in the proportion set out in Section 5(I) 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(I) 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.

That it be noted that for the year 2020/21 the Hampshire County Council, and the Police & Crime Commissioner for Hampshire and the Hampshire 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 below:

|   | Valuation | Hampshire             | HCC Adult          | Police & Crime      | Hampshire     |
|---|-----------|-----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------|
| 3 | Band      | County Council        | Social Care        | Commissioner for    | Fire & Rescue |
|   |           | ·                     |                    | Hampshire           |               |
|   |           | (£)                   | (£)                | (£)                 | (£)           |
|   | A(R)      | 652.47                | 62.13              | 117.48              | 38.37         |
|   | À         | 782.97                | 7 <del>4</del> .55 | 140.97              | 46.04         |
|   | В         | 913. <del>4</del> 6   | 86.98              | 164.47              | 53.71         |
|   | С         | 1,043.96              | 99.40              | 187.96              | 61.39         |
|   | D         | 1,174.45              | 111.83             | 211. <del>4</del> 6 | 69.06         |
|   | E         | 1,435.44              | 136.68             | 258.45              | 84.41         |
|   | F         | 1,696. <del>4</del> 3 | 161.53             | 305. <del>44</del>  | 99.75         |
|   | G         | 1,957. <del>4</del> 2 | 186.38             | 352. <del>4</del> 3 | 115.10        |
|   | Н         | 2.348.90              | 223.66             | <del>4</del> 22.92  | 138.12        |

That, having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at 3(h) and 2 above, the Council, in accordance with section 30(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the amounts shown as the amounts of Council Tax for the year 2020/21 for each of the categories of dwellings in each of the Parishes.

- That for the purposes of section 35 (2) (d) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, any expenses incurred by the District Council in the financial year 2020/21 in performing functions in a part of the district which elsewhere in the district are performed by a Parish Council, shall not be special expenses of the District Council.
- That the Council concluded the £5 increase in Council Tax for Hart District Council for 2020/21 is not excessive in accordance with principles approved under Section 52ZB Local Government Finance Act 1992
- That the Head of Corporate Services in consultation with the Cabinet member for Finance be given delegated authority to amend the final council tax calculations in the event of approved changes from the other precepting authorities.
- 7 That the fees and charges for 2020/21 be approved.
- 8 That the budget be approved.
- 9 That the revised Capital Programme for 2019/20 to 2020/21 be approved.
- That the Section 151 officer's statutory report regarding the robustness of the estimates and the adequacy of reserves be noted.

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# Minute 98 - Capital Strategy, Treasury Management Strategy Statement, and Asset Management Plan

Councillor Radley put the recommendation, seconded by Councillor Neighbour.

#### **RESOLVED**

- I The Capital Strategy be approved
- The Treasury Management Strategy Statement be approved, noting the increase in the Capital Financing Requirement, the Minimum Revenue Provision statement and the increase of limits to borrowing activity
- 3 The Asset Management Plan be approved.

## 70 HOOK NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - BRINGING INTO LEGAL FORCE

Following a positive referendum result for the Hook Neighbourhood Plan, Council were asked to bring the Neighbourhood Plan into legal force to form part of the statutory development plan for Hart District.

Members acknowledged the hard work and commitment that had gone into the Hook Neighbourhood Plan and congratulated everyone involved on the successful outcome.

#### **DECISION**

That under Section 38A(4) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 the Hook Neighbourhood Plan be 'made' (brought into legal force) to form part of the statutory Hart Development Plan with immediate effect.

## 71 OUTSIDE BODIES - FEEDBACK FROM MEMBERS

Councillor Radley reported on a meeting of the Farnborough Airport Consultative Committee and the airspace changes.

The meeting closed at 7.55 pm