

Committee: Budget Planning Committee

Date: Tuesday 28 November 2017

Time: 6.30 pm

Venue Bodicote House, Bodicote, Banbury, OX15 4AA

## Membership

Councillor Nicholas Mawer

(Chairman)

**Councillor David Anderson** 

Councillor Ian Corkin
Councillor David Hughes

Councillor Andrew McHugh

Councillor Tom Wallis

**Councillor Douglas Webb (Vice-Chairman)** 

Councillor Hugo Brown
Councillor Carmen Griffiths

Councillor Alan MacKenzie-Wintle

Councillor Barry Richards
Councillor Sean Woodcock

# AGENDA

## 1. Apologies for Absence and Notification of Substitute Members

#### 2. Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare any interest and the nature of that interest which they may have in any of the items under consideration at this meeting.

### 3. Urgent Business

The Chairman to advise whether they have agreed to any item of urgent business being admitted to the agenda.

## 4. **Minutes** (Pages 1 - 4)

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 31 October 2017.

#### 5. Chairman's Announcements

To receive communications from the Chairman.

## 6. Council Tax Reduction Scheme 2018-2019 (Pages 5 - 18)

Report of the Chief Finance Officer.

## **Purpose of Report**

To provide members of the Budget Planning Committee with an update on the consultation process that has taken place on the proposals for the Council Tax Reduction Scheme (CTRS) 2018-2019.

#### Recommendations

The meeting is recommended:

- 1.1 To note the contents of the report and any financial implications for the Council.
- 1.2 To recommend to Executive which option should be considered for the CTRS for 2018-2019 as part of the budget setting process.

## 7. Review of Committee Work Plan (Pages 19 - 20)

To review the Committee Work Plan.

#### 8. Exclusion of Press and Public

The following items contain exempt information as defined in the following paragraphs of Part 1, Schedule 12A of Local Government Act 1972.

3 – Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

Members are reminded that whilst the following item has been marked as exempt, it is for the meeting to decide whether or not to consider it in private or in public. In making the decision, members should balance the interests of individuals or the Council itself in having access to the information. In considering their discretion members should also be mindful of the advice of Council Officers.

Should Members decide not to make a decision in public, they are recommended to pass the following recommendation:

"That under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the ground that, if the public and press were present, it would be likely that exempt information falling under the provisions of Schedule 12A, Part 1, Paragraph 3 would be disclosed to them, and that in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information."

## 9. Acquisition of Castle Quay Shopping Centre

Exempt report of the Chief Finance Officer.

\*\* Due to the size of the documents, this exempt report and appendices will be published separately to the main agenda \*\*

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## Information about this Meeting

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#### **Declarations of Interest**

Members are asked to declare interests at item 2 on the agenda or if arriving after the start of the meeting, at the start of the relevant agenda item.

# Local Government and Finance Act 1992 – Budget Setting, Contracts & Supplementary Estimates

Members are reminded that any member who is two months in arrears with Council Tax must declare the fact and may speak but not vote on any decision which involves budget setting, extending or agreeing contracts or incurring expenditure not provided for in the agreed budget for a given year and could affect calculations on the level of Council Tax.

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Yvonne Rees Chief Executive

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