

## **Cherwell District Council**

### **Budget Planning Committee**

Minutes of a meeting of the Budget Planning Committee held at Bodicote House, Bodicote, Banbury, OX15 4AA, on 28 November 2017 at 6.30 pm

Present: Councillor Nicholas Mawer (Chairman)  
Councillor Douglas Webb (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Hugo Brown  
Councillor Ian Corkin  
Councillor Carmen Griffiths  
Councillor David Hughes  
Councillor Andrew McHugh  
Councillor Barry Richards  
Councillor Tom Wallis  
Councillor Sean Woodcock

Substitute Members: Councillor Barry Wood (In place of Councillor Alan MacKenzie-Wintle)

Also Present: Councillor George Reynolds  
Councillor Andrew Beere  
Mr Alan Harris – Montague Evans  
Mr Adrian Peachy – Montague Evans

Apologies for absence: Councillor David Anderson  
Councillor Alan MacKenzie-Wintle

Officers: Paul Sutton, Chief Finance Officer / Section 151 Officer  
Chris Hipkiss, Interim Property & Investment Manager  
Belinda Green, Revenues and Benefits Manager  
Mandy Emery, Joint Benefits Team Leader  
Lesley Farrell, Democratic and Elections Officer

#### **41 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

#### **42 Urgent Business**

There were no items of urgent business.

43 **Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting of the Budget Planning Committee held on 31 October 2017 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

44 **Chairman's Announcements**

There were no Chairman's announcements.

45 **Council Tax Reduction Scheme 2018-2019**

The Chief Finance Officer submitted a report which provided members with an update on the consultation process that had taken place on the proposals for the Council Tax Reduction Scheme (CTRS) 2018-2019.

**Resolved**

- (1) That the contents of the report and any financial implication be noted.
- (2) That Executive be recommended to agree that the Council Tax Reduction Scheme for 2018-2019 remain unchanged as part of the budget setting process

46 **Review of Committee Work Plan**

The Committee considered its work programme.

The Chairman advised the Committee that following consultation with the Chief Finance Officer, he had agreed to the scheduling of an additional meeting of the Committee. This would take place at 6.30pm on Thursday 7 December 2017.

**Resolved**

- (1) That the additional meeting on the 7 December 2017 be noted.
- (2) That subject to resolution (1) the work plan be noted.

47 **Exclusion of Press and Public**

**Resolved**

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.

48 **Acquisition of Castle Quay Shopping Centre**

The Chief Finance Officer submitted an exempt report on the Acquisition of Castle Quay Shopping Centre.

**Resolved**

- (1) As set out in the exempt minutes.
- (2) As set out in the exempt minutes.
- (3) As set out in the exempt minutes.

The meeting ended at 9.17 pm

Chairman:

Date: