

**Summary of the Decisions taken at the meeting
of Council held on 22 February 2016**

Agenda Item No.	Agenda Item and Recommendations	Decision
8	<p>Motions</p> <p>To debate a motion which has been submitted with advance notice, in accordance with the constitution.</p> <p><u>Oxfordshire Clinic Commissioning Group</u></p> <p>This Council calls on Oxfordshire Clinic Commissioning Group to clarify and confirm the future arrangements for General Practice provision across Bicester especially in the context of projected housing growth.</p> <p>This Council instructs the Executive to work closely and constructively with the CCG to protect and expand GP provision in a growing Bicester.</p> <p>Proposer: Councillor Lynn Pratt Secunder: Councillor Richard Mould</p>	<p>Resolved</p> <p>That the following motion be adopted:</p> <p>This Council calls on Oxfordshire Clinic Commissioning Group (CCG) to clarify and confirm the future arrangements for General Practice (GP) provision across Bicester and Banbury especially in the context of projected housing growth.</p> <p>This Council instructs the Executive to work closely and constructively with the CCG to protect and expand GP provision in a growing Bicester and Banbury.</p>
9	<p>Members Allowances 2016/17</p> <p>Report of Head of Law and Governance</p> <p>Recommendations</p> <p>The meeting is recommended:</p> <p>1.1 To consider the levels of allowances to be included in the 2016/2017 Members'</p>	<p>Resolved</p> <p>(1) That, subject to the following amendment, the recommendations of the Independent Remuneration Panel (annex to the Minutes as set out in the Minute Book) be agreed for inclusion in Members' Allowances Scheme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A 0% increase to be applied to all allowances

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	<p>Allowances Scheme, and whether the Panel's recommendations should be adopted or modified in any way</p> <p>1.2 To authorise the Head of Law and Governance to prepare an amended Members' Allowances Scheme, in accordance with the decisions of the Council for implementation with effect from 1 April 2016.</p> <p>1.3 To authorise the Head of Law and Governance to take all necessary action to revoke the current (2015/2016) Scheme and to publicise the revised Scheme pursuant to The Local Authorities (Members's Allowances)(England) Regulations 2003 (as amended).</p> <p>1.4 To thank the Independent Remuneration Panel for its report and set a fee of £300 for Panel Members for the work carried out in 2015/2016 and propose the same level of fee for 2016/2017.</p> <p>1.5 In the event that any council controlled or influenced company (as defined by the Local Authorities (Companies) Order 1995) determines that its councillor directors should be remunerated, to delegate authority to the section 151 officer in consultation with the monitoring officer and the Lead Member for Financial Management to determine a comparable duty within the Members' Allowances Scheme in order to ensure compliance with statutory requirements.</p>	<p>(2) That the Head of Law and Governance be authorised to prepare an amended Members' Allowances Scheme, in accordance with the decisions of the Council for implementation with effect from 1 April 2016.</p> <p>(3) That the Head of Law and Governance be authorised to take all necessary action to revoke the current (2015/2016) Scheme and to publicise the revised Scheme pursuant to The Local Authorities (Members's Allowances)(England) Regulations 2003 (as amended).</p> <p>(4) That the Independent Remuneration Panel be thanked for its report and a fee of £300 be set for Panel Members for the work carried out in 2015/2016 and the same level of fee proposed for 2016/2017.</p> <p>(5) That, in the event that any council controlled or influenced company (as defined by the Local Authorities (Companies) Order 1995) determines that its councillor directors should be remunerated, authority be delegated to the section 151 officer in consultation with the monitoring officer and the Lead Member for Financial Management to determine a comparable duty within the Members' Allowances Scheme in order to ensure compliance with statutory requirements.</p>

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10	<p data-bbox="379 232 890 304">Revenue and Capital Budget and Corporate Business Plan 2016/17</p> <p data-bbox="379 342 834 376">Report of Director of Resources</p> <p data-bbox="379 416 671 450">Recommendations</p> <p data-bbox="379 490 815 524">The meeting is recommended:</p> <p data-bbox="379 564 927 779">1.1 To consider the contents of this report in approving the General Fund Revenue Budget and Capital Programme for 2016/17 and to formally record that consideration.</p> <p data-bbox="379 819 911 1003">1.2 To approve the 2016/17 General Fund Budget (in table 1) and 2016/17 Capital Programme (in Appendices 2 and 3).</p> <p data-bbox="379 1043 927 1144">1.3 To approve the Collection Fund Estimates contained in Appendix 4</p> <p data-bbox="379 1184 927 1552">1.4 To approve 2016/17 business plan and public pledges (detailed in Appendices 5 and 6) and to delegate authority to the Head of Transformation in consultation with the Leader of the Council to make any minor amendments to the plan or pledges as required before final publication in March 2016.</p> <p data-bbox="379 1592 927 1848">1.5 To note the contents of the section 25 statement from the Director of Resources contained in paragraphs 2.1 to 2.7 in relation to the robustness of the estimates and the adequacy of reserves.</p> <p data-bbox="379 1888 927 2069">1.6 To approve the Treasury Management Strategy as detailed in Appendix 7 including the Capital Prudential Indicators 2016/17 – 2018/19</p>	<p data-bbox="959 232 1102 266">Resolved</p> <p data-bbox="959 306 1509 521">(1) That the contents of the report in approving the General Fund Revenue Budget and Capital Programme for 2016/17 be noted and that consideration be formally recorded.</p> <p data-bbox="959 562 1509 817">(2) That the 2016/17 General Fund Budget and 2016/17 Capital Programme (contained in the annexes to the Minutes as set out in the Minute Book) proposed by Executive on 1 February 2016 be approved.</p> <p data-bbox="959 857 1445 1003">(3) That the Collection Fund Estimates (annex to the minutes as set out in the Minute Book) be approved.</p> <p data-bbox="959 1043 1509 1440">(4) That the 2016/17 business plan and public pledges (annexes to the Minutes as set out in the Minute Book) be approved and authority delegated to the Head of Transformation in consultation with the Leader of the Council to make any minor amendments to the plan or pledges as required before final publication in March 2016.</p> <p data-bbox="959 1480 1509 1695">(5) That the contents of the section 25 statement from the Director of Resources in relation to the robustness of the estimates and the adequacy of reserves be noted.</p> <p data-bbox="959 1736 1509 1951">(6) That the Treasury Management Strategy (annex to the Minutes as set out in the Minute Book) including the Capital Prudential Indicators 2016/17 – 2018/19 be approved.</p> <p data-bbox="959 1991 1485 2069">(7) That the statement of pay policy for 2016/17 as required</p>

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	<p>1.7 To approve the appended statement of pay policy for 2016/17 as required by the Localism Act and detailed in Appendix 8 (to follow).</p> <p>1.8 To confirm and approve the Transitional Relief Policy contained in Appendix 9.</p> <p>1.9 To note the level of Empty Homes Premium at 50% as recommended by Executive Committee on 7 September 2015, see table 3 below which will form a recommendation in the Council Tax Setting report.</p> <p>1.10 To note the council tax discounts for 2016/17 set out in table 3 below and recommended by Executive Committee on 1 February 2016 which will form part of the Council Tax setting report..</p>	<p>by the Localism Act (annex to the Minutes as set out in the Minute Book) be approved.</p> <p>(8) That the Transitional Relief Policy (annex to the Minutes as set out in the Minute Book) be confirmed and approved.</p> <p>(9) That it be noted that the level of Empty Homes Premium at 50% as recommended by Executive on 7 September 2015 would form a recommendation in the Council Tax Setting report.</p> <p>(10) That it be noted that the council tax discounts for 2016/17 as recommended by Executive on 1 February 2016 which will form part of the Council Tax setting report.</p>
12	<p>Calculating the amounts of Council Tax for 2016/17 and setting the Council Tax for 2016/17</p> <p>Report of the Chief Finance Officer and Head of Finance and Procurement</p> <p>Recommendations</p> <p>It is recommended that the Council resolves:-</p> <p>1.1 That it be noted that at the Executive meeting held on 4 January 2016 the Council calculated the Council Tax Base 2016/17:</p> <p>a) for the whole Council area as 50,357.1 [item T in the formula in Section</p>	<p>Resolved</p> <p>(1) That it be noted that at the Executive meeting held on 4 January 2016 the Council calculated the Council Tax Base 2016/17:</p> <p>a) for the whole Council area as 50,357.1 [item T in the formula in Section 31B of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended (the “Act”)]; and</p> <p>b) For dwellings in those parts of its area to which a Parish Precept relates as in the attached annex to the Minutes (as set out in the Minute Book).</p>

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	<p>31B of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended (the "Act"); and</p> <p>b) For dwellings in those parts of its area to which a Parish Precept relates as in the attached Appendix 1.</p> <p>1.2 That the Council Tax requirement for the Council's own purposes for 2016/17 (excluding Parish Precepts and Special Expenses) is £6,219,102.</p> <p>1.3 That the following amounts be calculated for the year 2016/17 in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Act:-</p> <p>a) £77,831,075 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 and any additional special expenses.</p> <p>b) £67,156,898 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A (3) of the Act.</p> <p>£10,674,177 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</p>	<p>(2) That the Council Tax requirement for the Council's own purposes for 2016/17 (excluding Parish Precepts and Special Expenses) be £6,219,102.</p> <p>(3) That the following amounts be calculated for the year 2016/17 in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Act:-</p> <p>a) £77,831,075 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 and any additional special expenses.</p> <p>b) £67,156,898 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A (3) of the Act.</p> <p>£10,674,177 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 of the Act).</p> <p>c) £211.97 being the amount at 3(c) above (Item R), all divided by Item T (6(a) above), calculated by the</p>

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	<p>Council Tax requirement for the year (Item R in the formula in Section 31B of the Act).</p> <p>c) £211.97 being the amount at 3(c) above (Item R), all divided by Item T (6(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 and Special Expenses).</p> <p>d) £4,455,075 being the aggregate amount of all special items (Parish Precepts and Special Expenses) referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act as per the attached Schedule 2.</p> <p>e) £123.50 being the amount at 3(d) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 3(e) above by Item T(1(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 or special item relates.</p> <p>1.4 It be noted that for the year 2016/17 the Oxfordshire County Council and the Police and Crime Commissioner for Thames Valley have issued precepts to the Council, in accordance with Section 40 of</p>	<p>Council, in accordance with Section 31B of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year (including Parish Precepts and Special Expenses).</p> <p>d) £4,455,075 being the aggregate amount of all special items (Parish Precepts and Special Expenses) referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act as per the attached Schedule 2.</p> <p>e) £123.50 being the amount at 3(d) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 3(e) above by Item T(1(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 or special item relates.</p> <p>(4) That it be noted that for the year 2016/17 the Oxfordshire County Council and the Police and Crime Commissioner for Thames Valley have issued precepts to the Council, in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each category of dwellings in the Council's area as indicated below :-</p>

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	<p>the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each category of dwellings in the Council's area as indicated below :-</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="485 421 938 797"> <thead> <tr> <th><u>Valuation Band</u></th> <th>Oxfordshire County Council</th> <th>Police and Crime Commissioner for Thames Valley</th> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>£</td> <td>£</td> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>A</td> <td>854.43</td> <td>111.31</td> </tr> <tr> <td>B</td> <td>996.83</td> <td>129.86</td> </tr> <tr> <td>C</td> <td>1,139.24</td> <td>148.41</td> </tr> <tr> <td>D</td> <td>1,281.64</td> <td>166.96</td> </tr> <tr> <td>E</td> <td>1,566.45</td> <td>204.06</td> </tr> <tr> <td>F</td> <td>1,851.26</td> <td>241.16</td> </tr> <tr> <td>G</td> <td>2,136.07</td> <td>278.27</td> </tr> <tr> <td>H</td> <td>2,563.28</td> <td>333.92</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>1.5 The Council, in accordance with Sections 30 and 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the amounts shown in Appendix 2 as the amounts of Council Tax for the year 2016/17 for each part of its area and for each of the categories of dwellings.</p> <p>1.6 The Council's basic amount of Council Tax for 2016/17 is not excessive in accordance with principles approved under Section 52ZB Local Government Finance Act 1992.</p> <p>1.7 To approve the discounts and exemptions set out below:</p> <p>1 Agree that in respect of properties within Class A and B as defined by the Council Tax (Prescribed Classes of Dwellings) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2012 (furnished chargeable dwelling that are not the sole or a main residence of an individual) the discount provided by</p>	<u>Valuation Band</u>	Oxfordshire County Council	Police and Crime Commissioner for Thames Valley		£	£	A	854.43	111.31	B	996.83	129.86	C	1,139.24	148.41	D	1,281.64	166.96	E	1,566.45	204.06	F	1,851.26	241.16	G	2,136.07	278.27	H	2,563.28	333.92	<table border="1" data-bbox="1064 421 1517 797"> <thead> <tr> <th><u>Valuation Band</u></th> <th>Oxfordshire County Council</th> <th>Police and Crime Commissioner for Thames Valley</th> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>£</td> <td>£</td> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>A</td> <td>854.43</td> <td>111.31</td> </tr> <tr> <td>B</td> <td>996.83</td> <td>129.86</td> </tr> <tr> <td>C</td> <td>1,139.24</td> <td>148.41</td> </tr> <tr> <td>D</td> <td>1,281.64</td> <td>166.96</td> </tr> <tr> <td>E</td> <td>1,566.45</td> <td>204.06</td> </tr> <tr> <td>F</td> <td>1,851.26</td> <td>241.16</td> </tr> <tr> <td>G</td> <td>2,136.07</td> <td>278.27</td> </tr> <tr> <td>H</td> <td>2,563.28</td> <td>333.92</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>(5) That the Council, in accordance with Sections 30 and 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the amounts shown in the annex to the Minutes (as set out in the Minute Book) as the amounts of Council Tax for the year 2016/17 for each part of its area and for each of the categories of dwellings.</p> <p>(6) The Council's basic amount of Council Tax for 2016/17 not be excessive in accordance with principles approved under Section 52ZB Local Government Finance Act 1992.</p> <p>(7) That the following discounts and exemptions be approved:</p> <p>1 In respect of properties within Class A and B as defined by the Council Tax (Prescribed Classes of Dwellings) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2012 (furnished chargeable dwelling that are not the sole or a main residence of an individual) the</p>	<u>Valuation Band</u>	Oxfordshire County Council	Police and Crime Commissioner for Thames Valley		£	£	A	854.43	111.31	B	996.83	129.86	C	1,139.24	148.41	D	1,281.64	166.96	E	1,566.45	204.06	F	1,851.26	241.16	G	2,136.07	278.27	H	2,563.28	333.92
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	<p>Section 11a of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 shall be zero.</p> <p>2 Agree that in respect of properties within Class C as defined by the Council Tax (Prescribed Classes of Dwellings) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2012 (a property that is unoccupied and substantially unfurnished) the discount provided by the Section 11A of the said Act shall be zero.</p> <p>3 Agree that in respect of properties within Class D as defined by the said Regulations (chargeable dwellings that are vacant and undergoing major repair work to render them habitable) the discount provided by Section 11A of the said Act shall be reduced from 50% to 25%</p> <p>4 Agree no council tax discount shall be applied to dwellings that are unoccupied and unfurnished for more than two years and that council tax payable on such properties is increased from 100% to 150%</p>	<p>discount provided by Section 11a of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 shall be zero.</p> <p>2 In respect of properties within Class C as defined by the Council Tax (Prescribed Classes of Dwellings) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2012 (a property that is unoccupied and substantially unfurnished) the discount provided by the Section 11A of the said Act shall be zero.</p> <p>3 In respect of properties within Class D as defined by the said Regulations (chargeable dwellings that are vacant and undergoing major repair work to render them habitable) the discount provided by Section 11A of the said Act shall be reduced from 50% to 25%</p> <p>4 No council tax discount shall be applied to dwellings that are unoccupied and unfurnished for more than two years and that council tax payable on such properties is increased from 100% to 150%</p>
13	<p>North West Bicester Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)</p>	<p>Resolved</p> <p>(1) That it be resolved that Cherwell District Council, as</p>

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	<p>Report of Head of Strategic Planning and the Economy</p> <p>Recommendations</p> <p>The meeting is recommended:</p> <p>1.1 To resolve that Cherwell District Council as local planning authority adopt the North West Bicester Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) as SPD and a Local Development Document in accordance with the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.</p> <p>1.2 To authorise the Head of Strategic Planning and the Economy, prior to the publication of the Supplementary Planning Document, the correction of any minor typographical, spelling or grammatical errors, and the undertaking of any minor presentational improvements, if required prior to the SPD being published by the Council.</p>	<p>local planning authority, adopt the North West Bicester Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) as amended (annex to the Minutes as set out in the Minute Book) as SPD and a Local Development Document in accordance with the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.</p> <p>(2) That prior to the publication of the Supplementary Planning Document, the Head of Strategic Planning and the Economy be authorised to correct any minor typographical, spelling or grammatical errors, and undertake any minor presentational improvements, if required prior to the SPD being published by the Council.</p>
14	<p>Appointment of Section 151 Officer</p> <p>Report of Chief Executive</p> <p>Recommendations</p> <p>The meeting is recommended to:</p> <p>1.1 Appoint Paul Sutton as the Council's Interim Section 151 officer with effect from 1 April 2016 and request him to appoint a suitably qualified and experienced Deputy Section 151 Officer from the same date.</p>	<p>Resolved</p> <p>(1) That Paul Sutton be appointed as the Council's Interim Section 151 officer with effect from 1 April 2016 and he be requested to appoint a suitably qualified and experienced Deputy Section 151 Officer from the same date.</p>

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15	<p>Urgent Business: Three Way Working: Section 113 Agreements</p>	<p>Resolved</p> <p>(1) That the decision of the Executive that, following discussions with Stratford on Avon DC (SDC), no further three way joint working proposals with SDC be developed as SDC have indicated they do not wish to pursue the confederation as their future operating model, be noted.</p> <p>(2) That it be noted that the three councils have agreed to continue the operation of the three way transformation team until the secondment period finishes in March 2017 and that it be agreed that the Transformation Team Section 113 agreement (between Cherwell, South Northants and Stratford on Avon) be extended to reflect this (subject to a similar decision being made by SDC).</p> <p>(3) That the decision of the Joint Commissioning Committee (16 February 2016) following consideration of a review that the legal and ICT services for Cherwell District Council and South Northamptonshire Council be provided by two way shared teams once the three way teams are disbanded, be noted.</p> <p>(4) That, in light of resolution (3) above, it be agreed that the section 113 agreement setting out the arrangements by which legal and ICT services are shared with Stratford on Avon DC be terminated and the specified six month notice period be used to the extent</p>

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		<p>that it is necessary to wind down the three way services and that the Head of Law and Governance be delegated to waive this notice period should an early wind down be possible for either service.</p>
<p>17</p>	<p>Bicester Depot</p> <p>Exempt Report of Head of Environmental Services</p>	<p>Resolved</p> <p>(1) As set out in the exempt decisions.</p> <p>(2) As set out in the exempt decisions.</p> <p>(3) As set out in the exempt decisions.</p> <p>(4) As set out in the exempt decisions.</p> <p>(5) As set out in the exempt decisions.</p> <p>(6) As set out in the exempt decisions.</p>