

## CABINET Post-Decision

### Summary of the Decisions taken

**Date of Meeting** Monday, 9th February, 2015 **Issued By:-** Nick Pontone

**Date of Delivery to Members:** Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2015

**Date which any call in must be received by:** Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2015

**Implementation of decisions delayed to:** Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> February, 2015

(Other than those items marked with an asterisk (\*) which need to be implemented urgently and those items marked with a hash (#) which have been considered by scrutiny in the past 6<sup>th</sup> months and cannot be called in).

AGENDA ITEM.	SUBJECT MATTER	DECISION	WARD	RESOLVED/ RECOMMENDED
1.	Declarations of Interest	None.		-
2.	Minutes of the Meeting held on 19th January 2015	Approved.		Resolved
3.	Financial & Performance Report - Quarter 3 2014-15 #	(a) That the current financial forecast position, balanced scorecard and update on Gold projects be noted.	All	Resolved

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		(b) That the write offs and virements contained within sections 10 and 11 of the report be approved.		
4.	Medium Term Financial Strategy 2015-19 #	That the Medium Term Financial Strategy 2015-19 be approved by Council at its meeting on 19th February 2015.	All	Recommended
5.	Revenue Budget 2015-16 #	<p>That the Revenue Budget 2015/16 be approved by Council on 19th February 2015, noting that other organisations have yet to set their Council Tax precepts.</p> <p><b>Council Tax Resolution</b> – In relation to the Council Tax for 2015/16</p> <p>(a) That in pursuance of the powers conferred on the Council as the billing authority for its area by the Local Government Finance Acts (the Acts), the Council Tax for the Slough area for the year ending 31 March 2016 be as specified below and that the Council Tax be levied accordingly.</p> <p>(b) That it be noted that at its meeting on 15 December 2014 Cabinet calculated the following Tax Base amounts for the financial year 2015/16 in accordance with Regulations made under sections 31B (3) and 34(4) of the Act:</p> <p>(i) 38,462.6 being the amount</p>	All	Recommended

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		<p>calculated by the Council, in accordance with Regulation 3 of the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) Regulations 2012 (the Regulations) as the Council Tax Base for the whole of the Slough area for the year 2015/16; and</p> <p>(ii) The sums below being the amounts of Council Tax Base for the Parishes within Slough for 2015/16:</p> <p>a) Parish of Britwell 597.0 b) Parish of Coln. with Poyle 1,781.1 c) Parish of Wexham Park 1,270.3</p> <p>(c) That the following amounts be now calculated for the year 2015/16 in accordance with sections 31A to 36 of the Act:</p> <p>(i) £437,571,351 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in section 31A (2)(a) to (f) of the Act. (Gross Expenditure);</p>		

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		<p>(ii) £ 392,237,445 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in section 31A (3) (a) to (d) of the Act. (Gross Income);</p> <p>(iii) £45,333,906 being the amount by which the aggregate at paragraph c (i) above exceeds the aggregate at paragraph c (ii) above calculated by the Council as its council tax requirement for the year as set out in section 31A(4) of the Act. (Council Tax Requirement);</p> <p>(iv) £1,178.64 being the amount at paragraph c(iii) above divided by the amount at paragraph b(i) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with section 31B(1) of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year, including the requirements for Parish precepts.</p> <p>(v) That for the year 2015/16 the Council determines in accordance with section 34 (1) of the Act, Total Special Items of £207,046 representing the total</p>		

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		<p>of Parish Precepts for that year.</p> <p>(vi) £1,173.27 being the amount at paragraph c (iv) above less the result given by dividing the amount at paragraph c (v) above by the relevant amounts at paragraph b (i) 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 special item relates.</p> <p>(vii) Valuation Bands</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="824 826 1469 1329"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="824 826 954 994">Band</th> <th data-bbox="954 826 1081 994">Slough Area £</th> <th data-bbox="1081 826 1211 994">Parish of Britwell £</th> <th data-bbox="1211 826 1341 994">Parish of Colnbrook with Poyle £</th> <th data-bbox="1341 826 1469 994">Parish of Wexham Court £</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="824 994 954 1034">A</td> <td data-bbox="954 994 1081 1034">782.18</td> <td data-bbox="1081 994 1211 1034">44.06</td> <td data-bbox="1211 994 1341 1034">31.80</td> <td data-bbox="1341 994 1469 1034">24.48</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="824 1034 954 1074">B</td> <td data-bbox="954 1034 1081 1074">912.54</td> <td data-bbox="1081 1034 1211 1074">51.41</td> <td data-bbox="1211 1034 1341 1074">37.10</td> <td data-bbox="1341 1034 1469 1074">28.56</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="824 1074 954 1114">C</td> <td data-bbox="954 1074 1081 1114">1,042.91</td> <td data-bbox="1081 1074 1211 1114">58.75</td> <td data-bbox="1211 1074 1341 1114">42.40</td> <td data-bbox="1341 1074 1469 1114">32.64</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="824 1114 954 1153">D</td> <td data-bbox="954 1114 1081 1153">1,173.27</td> <td data-bbox="1081 1114 1211 1153">66.10</td> <td data-bbox="1211 1114 1341 1153">47.70</td> <td data-bbox="1341 1114 1469 1153">36.72</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="824 1153 954 1193">E</td> <td data-bbox="954 1153 1081 1193">1,434.00</td> <td data-bbox="1081 1153 1211 1193">80.79</td> <td data-bbox="1211 1153 1341 1193">58.30</td> <td data-bbox="1341 1153 1469 1193">44.89</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="824 1193 954 1233">F</td> <td data-bbox="954 1193 1081 1233">1,694.72</td> <td data-bbox="1081 1193 1211 1233">95.47</td> <td data-bbox="1211 1193 1341 1233">68.90</td> <td data-bbox="1341 1193 1469 1233">53.05</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="824 1233 954 1273">G</td> <td data-bbox="954 1233 1081 1273">1,955.45</td> <td data-bbox="1081 1233 1211 1273">110.16</td> <td data-bbox="1211 1233 1341 1273">79.50</td> <td data-bbox="1341 1233 1469 1273">61.21</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="824 1273 954 1329">H</td> <td data-bbox="954 1273 1081 1329">2,346.54</td> <td data-bbox="1081 1273 1211 1329">132.19</td> <td data-bbox="1211 1273 1341 1329">95.40</td> <td data-bbox="1341 1273 1469 1329">73.45</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Band	Slough Area £	Parish of Britwell £	Parish of Colnbrook with Poyle £	Parish of Wexham Court £	A	782.18	44.06	31.80	24.48	B	912.54	51.41	37.10	28.56	C	1,042.91	58.75	42.40	32.64	D	1,173.27	66.10	47.70	36.72	E	1,434.00	80.79	58.30	44.89	F	1,694.72	95.47	68.90	53.05	G	1,955.45	110.16	79.50	61.21	H	2,346.54	132.19	95.40	73.45		
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<p data-bbox="1010 660 1473 839"><b><i>These precepts have not been formally proposed or agreed by the Royal Berkshire Fire Authority and may be revised when agreed.</i></b></p> <p data-bbox="927 884 1464 1134">(x) Note that arising from these recommendations, and assuming the major precepts are agreed, the overall Council Tax for Slough Borough Council including the precepting authorities will be as follows:</p>					



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		<p data-bbox="913 770 1469 954">(xi) That the Section 151 Officer be and is hereby authorised to give due notice of the said Council Tax in the manner provided by Section 38(2) of the 2012 Act.</p> <p data-bbox="913 978 1469 1422">(xii) That the Section 151 Officer be and is hereby authorised when necessary to apply for a summons against any Council Tax payer or non-domestic ratepayer on whom an account for the said tax or rate and arrears has been duly served and who has failed to pay the amounts due to take all subsequent necessary action to recover them promptly.</p>																																															

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		<p>(xiii) That the Section 151 Officer be authorised to collect (and disperse from the relevant accounts) the Council Tax and National Non-Domestic Rate and that whenever the office of the Section 151 Officer is vacant or the holder thereof is for any reason unable to act, the Chief Executive or such other authorised post-holder be authorised to act as before said in his or her stead.</p> <p>(xiv) The above figures assume a council tax freeze for the Royal Berkshire Fire Authority. If this is not the case this report requests the Section 151 or nominated officer be authorised to adjust the council tax charges in line with final figures following consultation with the leader and leader of the opposition</p> <p><b>HRA Rents and Service Charges –</b></p> <p>(e) That the proposed increase in Housing Revenue Account rents and service charges for 2015/16 be as follows:</p>		

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		<p>(i) Council house dwelling rents for 2015/16 increase by an average of £2.24 per week (2.2% average increase) with effect from Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2015. This is in line with current government guidelines on rent increases, linked to September CPI+1%.</p> <p>(ii) Garage rents, heating, utility and ancillary charges increase by 2.3% with effect from Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2015. This is based upon the September RPI figure.</p> <p>(iii) Service charges increase by 2.2% with effect from Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2015. This is based upon the CPI+1% uplift used for rent setting.</p> <p>(iv) 'Other committee' property rents increase by an average of 2.2% from Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2015 in line with the average increase of all housing properties.</p> <p><b>Fees and Charges –</b></p> <p>(f) That the proposed increase in Fees and charges outlined in Appendix Fi for 2015/16 be as follows:</p>		

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		<p>(i) Sports Pitch fees and Allotment fees increase by the benchmark plus 4.2%</p> <p>(ii) The sports pitch fees will be implemented from the 1st April 2015 but the allotments will take effect from the 1st December 2017 as the allotment holders are normally given a year's notice and the fees for 2016 have already been set.</p>		
6.	Trelawney Avenue Redevelopment Plan Interim Update Report	<p>(a) That further discussions be held with NHS England and Slough Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) regarding the provision of an additional GP practice or satellite practice at a new community hub on the Merry Makers site (Area A) as part of the wider redevelopment plans.</p> <p>(b) That Thames Valley Police (TVP) remain interested in working collaboratively with the Council to re-locate into new or refurbished premises.</p> <p>(c) That following consultation with community groups, internal departments and TVP, the option of remodelling existing retail is being considered. In addition to giving TVP a greater presence within the local area, this option would allow the Council to</p>	Langley Kedermister	Resolved

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		<p>develop residential-led proposals for the site of the existing police station (an HRA site owned by SBC) as part of the overall strategy.</p> <p>(d) That subject to (c), the Strategic Director of Regeneration, Housing &amp; Resources and the Head of Asset Management, following consultation with the Commissioners for Neighbourhoods &amp; Renewal and Community &amp; Leisure, be authorised to take necessary steps prior to a further report in June 2015 to progress residential development schemes that provide a mix of affordable housing with a range of house types be pursued on part of the Merry Makers Site (Area A), subject to pursuing the option of the Cabinet's ambition for a community hub; and at the 324 Trelawney Avenue site (Area B); and Trelawney Avenue Residential Infill site (Area C).</p> <p>(e) That the proposals to introduce new sporting facilities in Langley Academy part funded by the Council that will support local sports clubs, promote improved health and well being and meets a need identified by the community be noted.</p> <p>(f) That a follow-up report be presented to Cabinet in June 2015.</p>		

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7.	References from Overview & Scrutiny	<p><u>Revenue Budget 2015/16</u></p> <p>That Officers be authorised to implement differential fee rates for Residents and Non Residents, on a range of services, including sport pitch hire.</p> <p><u>Treasury Management Strategy 2015/16</u></p> <p>That investment in the property fund portfolio increase from £7 million to £10 million.</p>	All	<p>Resolved</p> <p>Recommended</p>
8.	Notification of Forthcoming Decisions	Endorsed.	All	Resolved