

**BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

**28<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2017 AT 6.00 P.M.**

PRESENT: Councillors H. J. Jones (Chairman), M. Glass (Vice-Chairman), C. Allen-Jones, S. J. Baxter, M. T. Buxton, S. R. Colella, R. J. Deeming, G. N. Denaro, R. L. Dent, C.A. Hotham, R. E. Jenkins, L. C. R. Mallett, K.J. May, C. M. McDonald, S. R. Peters, M. A. Sherrey, C. J. Spencer, C. B. Taylor, P.L. Thomas, M. Thompson, M. J. A. Webb and P. J. Whittaker

89\16 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors C. J. Bloore, B. T. Cooper, R. J. Laight, P. M. McDonald, S. P. Shannon, L. J. Turner and S. A. Webb.

Apologies for late arrival were received from Councillors M. Glass and R. D. Smith (however in the event Councillor Smith was absent from the meeting).

Members offered congratulations and best wishes to Councillor C. J. Bloore on his recent marriage.

90\16 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest at this stage.

91\16 **MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 25th January 2017 were submitted.

Councillor C. M. McDonald referred to minute 87/16 relating to her question on Planning Enforcement matters and stated she had not received any detailed written information from the Portfolio Holder. Councillor C. B. Taylor apologised and undertook to provide this to Councillor McDonald.

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 25th January 2017 be approved.

92\16      **TO RECEIVE ANY ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN**

The Chairman reminded Members that her Civic Dinner in aid of Sunfield was to be held shortly and that tickets were available from Sharon Chaplin.

93\16      **TO RECEIVE ANY ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE LEADER**

The Leader offered congratulations to Bromsgrove Sporting Football Club on their recent outstanding success in reaching the semi finals of the FA Vase.

The Leader also reminded Council that this was the final Council meeting which Mrs S. Sellers and Mrs S. Jones would be attending at Bromsgrove. On behalf of Members the Leader thanked them for their work on behalf of the Authority and wished them well for the future.

94\16      **COMMENTS, QUESTIONS OR PETITIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

There were no public comments, questions or petitions on this occasion.

95\16      **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE CABINET**

**Business Waste Recycling Service**

As it was likely that discussion of this item would require the exclusion of the public from the meeting, the Chairman deferred the item to the end of the agenda.

**The Council Plan 2017-2020**

The recommendation from the Cabinet in relation to the Council Plan 2017- 2020 was proposed by Councillor G. N. Denaro and seconded by Councillor K. J. May.

In proposing the recommendation Councillor Denaro referred to the “refreshed” Council Plan and to the amendments which had been made following the discussion at a previous Council meeting. The Council’s key priorities and strategic purposes were set out on page 6 of the Plan and it was emphasised that the overarching aim was to ensure a sustainable Council. The Plan itself was now a more concise and understandable document.

During the debate some Members expressed the view that the Council Plan contained insufficient detail to enable Portfolio Holders and officers

to be held to account in the future. In addition reference to prudence and efficiency in respect of the Council's finances was challenged.

Other Members however recognised that the revised plan was an improved document from the original version and requested that it now be used going forward by Portfolio Holders to drive improvement through their individual Action Plans.

The Leader confirmed that the Plan would be reviewed on a regular basis and that he would be working with Portfolio Holders and officers in order to deliver the actions arising from the Plan.

**RESOLVED** that Council Plan 2017- 2020 attached at Appendix 1 to the report be approved.

### **Planning Development Services Business Case**

The recommendation from the Cabinet in relation to the Planning Development Services Business Case was proposed by Councillor C. B. Taylor and seconded by Councillor G. N. Denaro.

In proposing the recommendation Councillor Taylor reminded Members of the previous discussions at Council and referred to the additional information previously requested and which was contained in Appendix 2 to the report. Councillor Taylor reported that the number of posts at risk of redundancy had reduced from two to one as one of the officers involved had now secured alternative employment.

Councillor Taylor acknowledged the concerns of some Members regarding the location of staff and confirmed that a strong staff presence would be retained in Bromsgrove. Planning Surgeries were effective and were well attended. It was important to move forward with the proposals in order to remove uncertainty and to progress.

During the debate some Members continued to express concern regarding the majority of planning staff being located in Redditch and the perceived impact on services to Bromsgrove residents. In addition it was hoped that the costs split between the Authorities would be reviewed regularly.

Councillor Taylor responded that formal shared service arrangements would enable a more robust and resilient Planning Development Management Service to continue to offer an improved service to residents. It was important now to progress with the shared service and to end uncertainty for staff.

**RESOLVED** that the Business Case for the Planning Development Management Shared Service be approved.

## **Medium Term Financial Plan 2017/18 – 2020/21**

The recommendations from the Cabinet in relation to the Medium Term Financial Plan 2017/18 – 2020/21 were proposed by Councillor G. N. Denaro and seconded by Councillor K. J. May.

In proposing the recommendations Councillor Denaro referred to the Efficiency Statement which had been previously agreed by this Council and accepted by the Secretary of State and which now had to be implemented. The Medium Term Financial Plan would save £1.916million and would ensure that frontline services were protected.

Councillor Denaro acknowledged that whilst a good start had been made there was still much to do in order to achieve this and highlighted a number of issues including the following:

- the need to drive down costs without impacting on frontline services;
- there was a reduction in the New Homes Bonus funding however Communities would still be able to bid for funding for projects;
- the need for the Authority to become more commercially minded;
- the possibility of establishing an Energy Company together with other Authorities;
- that objections had been lodged in respect of the proposed negative Revenue Support Grant payment from 2019/20;
- the proposed changes to Business Rates
- no cuts were proposed to services;
- Council Tax was proposed to rise by £5 per annum per Band D equivalent;
- the Council's assets would be reviewed to ensure they were being used to support Strategic Purposes;
- savings of 5% from departmental expenditure were projected;
- It was proposed to transfer £259k to balances for 2017/18 achieved from projected income and from savings;

Councillor Denaro stressed that officers would be working to achieve savings and to improve income generation. In addition, as previously mentioned, in 2017/18 there would be a review of management posts across the Council. Councillor Denaro thanked officers and the members of the Finance Working Group for their assistance in the budget process.

Councillor L. C. R. Mallett responded and referred to the reduced levels of balances now held by the Council. This, together with reductions in funding received from Central Government meant that there was no alternative but to seek savings in the budget for future years.

Councillor Mallett expressed the view that a review of the management structure was urgent, with a view to reducing costs in line with a reduction in the Council's budget. He also suggested that there was

limited relevant experience within the Council to deliver successful commercial projects.

Councillor S. J. Baxter acknowledged that the budget process had been more satisfactory this year and that the Finance Working Group had worked well. In view of the lack of detail however, it was difficult to understand how the level of savings projected was to be achieved. On the basis that Portfolio Holders would be closely monitoring savings and would be held to account by the Finance Working Group she would be supporting the budget.

During the debate Members acknowledged the challenges in the funding position nationally and noted that the level of savings to be achieved was a difficult task.

Councillor Denaro responded to the debate and recognised the difficulties highlighted by Members in achieving savings required. In relation to the forthcoming management restructure it was noted that since 2011 the Senior Management Team had reduced by three posts. The principal objectives were to ensure a sustainable Council and to maintain services for residents.

As required under the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 a named vote was taken on the Medium Term Financial Plan 2017/18 – 2020/21.

For the recommendations: Councillors C. Allen-Jones, S. J. Baxter, S. R. Colella, R. J. Deeming, G. N. Denaro, R. L. Dent, M. Glass, C. A. Hotham, H. J. Jones, K. J. May, S. R. Peters, M. A. Sherrey, C. J. Spencer, C. B. Taylor, P. L. Thomas, M. J. A. Webb and P. J. Whittaker (17)

Against the recommendations: Councillors M. T. Buxton, R. E. Jenkins, L. C. R. Mallett, C. M. McDonald and M. Thompson (5)

**RESOLVED:**

(a) that the following return/release from balances be approved:

2017/18 - £259k (return)  
2018/19 - £37k (release)  
2019/20 - £467k (release)  
2020/21 - £494k (release)

(b) that the additional income/efficiencies as attached at Appendix 2 be approved:

2017/18 - £1.113m  
2018/19 - £626k  
2019/20 - £177k

- (c) that with the exception of the bids in relation to Hagley Scout Hut and Hagley Community Centre the Capital Programme bids as attached at Appendix 3 be approved:
- 2017/18 - £145k  
2018/19 - £46k  
2019/20 - £1.108m
- (d) that the increase of Council Tax by £5 per Band D equivalent for 2017/18 be approved.
- (e) that the budget savings and pressures for 2018/19 – 2020/21 be subject to change due to the potential impact of changes to service delivery and the localisation of Business Rates together with any changes to the New Homes Bonus.
- (f) that consideration of the Capital Programme bids in respect of Hagley Scout Hut and Hagley Community Centre be deferred to enable further consideration of the Business Cases for the proposals. In addition officers include additional information to the report to Council on 28th February 2017 to explain the position in respect of the deferral.

### **ICT Infrastructure Report**

As it was likely that discussion on this item would involve the exclusion of the public from the meeting, the Chairman deferred the item to the end of the agenda.

### **Pay Policy Statement 2017/18**

The recommendation from the Cabinet in relation to the Pay Policy Statement 2017/18 was proposed by Councillor G. N. Denaro and seconded by Councillor K. J. May.

In proposing the recommendation Councillor Denaro reminded Members that this was a statutory document which the Council was required to produce each year under the Localism Act.

It was noted that in making the recommendation Cabinet had also requested that the previous accepted format of the Statement be amended so that the report referred solely to the costs to this Council.

During the debate some Members were concerned regarding the transparency of the split of salary costs between Bromsgrove DC and Redditch BC and whether this reflected the time spent on work relating to each Authority. In particular Members referred to work relating to Combined Authorities and to the Redditch Housing Department which was part of the Redditch workload which was not reflected in Bromsgrove.

Councillor Denaro referred to the Memorandum of Understanding which was part of the Shared Services agreement and which involved a 50/50 share of costs of the senior management team . Some Members felt that there was insufficient evidence to indicate that this was still the case.

As an amendment it was proposed by Councillor L. C. R. Mallett and seconded by Councillor M. Thompson that consideration of the Pay Policy be deferred to enable the proportion of time spent by senior officers in relation to each Authority to be evidenced.

On being put to the vote the Chairman declared the amendment to be lost.

Councillor Denaro undertook to ensure that the proportionality of salaries was considered as a separate issue on a cross part basis but stated that this was not the purpose of the Pay Policy under consideration.

On a requisition under Council Procedure Rule 18.3, the following details of the voting on the recommendation to approve the Pay Policy were recorded:

For the recommendation: Councillors C. Allen-Jones, R. J. Deeming, G. N. Denaro, R. L. Dent, M. Glass, H. J. Jones, K. J. May, M. A. Sherrey, C. J. Spencer, C. B. Taylor, P. L. Thomas, M. J. A. Webb and P. J. Whittaker (13)

Against the recommendation: Councillors S. J. Baxter, M. T. Buxton, S. R. Colella, C. A. Hotham, R. E. Jenkins, L. C. R. Mallett, C. M. McDonald, S. R. Peters and M. Thompson (9)

**RESOLVED** that the Pay Policy Statement 2017/18 as contained in Appendix 1 to the report be approved.

### **Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Investment Strategy 2017/18 – 2019/20**

The recommendations from the Cabinet on the Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Investment Strategy 2017/18 – 2019/20 were proposed by Councillor G. N. Denaro and seconded by Councillor K. J. May.

It was reported that there had been an error in the Treasury Management Strategy considered by the Cabinet but that the correct version was now before members within the Council Agenda.

**RESOLVED:**

- (a) that the Strategy and Prudential Indicators shown at Appendix 1 be approved;
- (b) that the Authorised Limit for borrowing be approved at £15million, should borrowing be required;

- (c) that the maximum level of investment to be held within each organisation (i.e. bank or building society) be as detailed at £2.5million, subject to market conditions; and
- (d) that the updated Treasury Management Policy shown at Appendix 2 be approved.

### **Council Tax Resolutions 2017/18**

The recommendation from the Cabinet in relation to the Council Tax Resolutions for 2017/18 were proposed by Councillor G. N. Denaro and seconded by Councillor K. J. May.

As required under the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 a named vote was taken on the Council Tax Resolutions 2017/18.

For the recommendations: Councillors C. Allen-Jones, S. J. Baxter, S. R. Colella, R. J. Deeming, G. N. Denaro, R. L. Dent, M. Glass, C. A. Hotham, R. E. Jenkins, H. J. Jones, K. J. May, S. R. Peters, M. A. Sherrey, C. J. Spencer, C. B. Taylor, P. L. Thomas, M. J. A. Webb and P. J. Whittaker (18)

Abstentions: Councillors M. T. Buxton, L. C. R. Mallett, C. M. McDonald and M. Thompson (4)

**RESOLVED** that the Council Tax Resolutions as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report be approved.

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### **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CABINET HELD ON 1ST FEBRUARY 2017**

The minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 1st February 2017 were received for information.

Councillor M. Thompson referred to Minute 83/16 relating to Allocation of Homelessness Funding. In relation to St Basil's Councillor Thompson queried how those people over the age of 25 and those under the age of 25 who were not in employment would be supported.

Councillor C. B. Taylor undertook to provide information on this matter outside the meeting.

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### **REPORT FROM THE PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, REGULATORY SERVICES AND COMMUNITY SAFETY**

In the absence of the Portfolio Holder Councillor R. D. Smith, Councillor P.J. Whittaker was prepared to present the report. It was felt that it was important however for Members to have the opportunity to question the



Portfolio Holder on the contents of the report. Therefore consideration of this item was postponed until the next meeting of the Council when two Portfolio Holder reports would be received.

Some Members expressed disappointment that the Report was again being deferred.

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## **QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

### **Question submitted by Councillor M. Thompson**

“The move to Parkside promised to generate income for the Council because it could be hired out for private functions. How much more money has it made through this income stream in the last 12 months compared to the old Council House?”

Councillor P. J. Whittaker responded with the following figures:

Burcot Lane (Spadesbourne Suite and Committee Room)

- 1st April 2014 to 31st March 2015 income was £25,177.58;
- 1st April 2015 to 5th December 2016 income was £17,517.20

Parkside Hall

- 5th December 2015 to 31st March 2016 income was £4,620.21;
- 1st April 2016 to February 2017 income was £11,928.33 (including period during which the Hall was unavailable due to heating works);
- Full 12 months projected income is £14,313.99

Councillor Whittaker further commented that due to the temporary heating problems the venue had not yet been fully promoted but this would be addressed from now on. In addition whilst the facilities at Burcot Lane had been “stand alone” and therefore available at all times this was not the case at Parkside where accommodation was also required for Council use.

### **Question from Councillor S. R. Colella**

“I am sure that the Leader will be aware of recent headlines in the Bromsgrove Standard highlighting the levels of crime being experienced across the District with little or no action being seen by the Police and Crime Commissioner to address this perceived chronic rise in crime.

As reported on 21st February 2017; “Black Audi A6 stolen in Hagley car key burglary”, “Burglars ransack Bromsgrove property and steal cash”, “Police investigating spate of car crime across Bromsgrove District over the last week”.

Will the Leader therefore call on the Police and Crime Commissioner to present a report to this Council detailing the actions that are being taken to address this worrying position?"

Councillor G. N. Denaro responded that the Police and Crime Commissioner was aware of the recent incidents and there had been discussion at the recent West Mercia Police and Crime Panel where instances of vehicle crime and burglary in North Worcestershire had been highlighted. In addition the North Worcestershire Community Safety Partnership had been involved and were also receiving data on incidents. The Police and Crime Commissioner had increased funding across the County and was holding the Chief Constable to account to give due priority to these issues.

**Question submitted by Councillor C. A. Hotham**

"Barnt Green has been and is still suffering serious traffic disruption.

The village has seen over 12 months of disruption due to the closure of both Hewell Lane and Linthurst Newtown railway bridges and more recently further disruption with the 3 month closure of Bittell Road and Fiery Hill Road.

As Councillors will appreciate this has had a catastrophic impact on trade within the village with some shops having to lay off staff and owners reducing their own pay by up to two thirds.

Without positive action it is highly likely that much of this footfall will be lost forever and as a result Barnt Green traders have been working with the Council's excellent centres manager to try to address this problem and it has been decided that an intense marketing campaign of Barnt Green and all it has to offer would help to reverse the situation once the road closures have finished.

I am conscious that the centres manager has conflicting priorities and a limited budget for such matters but can I ask that the Portfolio Holder works with the centres manager to identify all available support that can be offered to the traders generally and specifically with their marketing campaign?"

Councillor K. J. May confirmed that she was working to identify all possible options for support which could be made available in the area. In particular it may be possible for Business Rates payers to apply to the Valuation Office for their Business Rates to be amended if the Highway works represented a material change in circumstances affecting the valuation of the premises.

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**MOTIONS ON NOTICE**

There were no Motions on Notice on this occasion.

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**LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972**

**RESOLVED**

That under Section 100 I of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, the public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the items of business the subject of the following minutes on the grounds that they involve the disclosure of "Exempt Information" as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act, the relevant part being as set out below and that it is in the public interest to do so.

<u>Minute No</u>	<u>Paragraph</u>
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**BUSINESS WASTE RECYCLING SERVICE**

The recommendation from the Cabinet in relation to the Business Waste Recycling Service was proposed by Councillor P. J. Whittaker and seconded by Councillor G. N. Denaro.

In proposing the recommendation Councillor Whittaker referred to the amended Business Plan document which had been circulated. This did not significantly change the original Business Case but corrected some typographical errors and clarified a number of points. Councillor Whittaker drew attention to paragraph 6.8 on page 15 of the document where the second sentence should read "as laid out in 6.6, a new vehicle is anticipated during 2017-18 at a cost of circa £180,000 and the depreciation of this will be £25,000 per annum over a seven year period". He also referred to page 16 of the replacement document where 2 figures had been transposed in the first and second columns of the direct costs line.

Councillor Whittaker highlighted the opportunities available to provide the new Business Waste Recycling Service which would combine well with other elements of the services currently provided. Introducing the service would be beneficial to the Authority and would provide another option to potential customers. Members broadly welcomed the proposal as a good opportunity. It was recognised that the format for future Business Cases would benefit from being reviewed.

**RESOLVED:**

- (a) that a phase 1 Business Waste Recycling Service be introduced in 2017/18;
- (b) that the service be extended and rolled out to all customers from 2018/19;
- (c) that the fees and charges as set out in appendix 2 to the report be approved and adopted; and
- (d) that delegated authority be given to the Head of Environmental Services to have discretion to vary the charges for the Business

Waste Recycling Collection Service when agreeing terms with customers within a variance of plus or minus 25 %.

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**ICT INFRASTRUCTURE**

(Councillors P. L. Thomas and M. J. A. Webb each declared an Other Disclosable Interest in this item and withdrew from the Meeting).

The recommendation from the Cabinet was proposed by Councillor G. N. Denaro and seconded by Councillor K. J. May.

During the debate some Members expressed disappointment at the level of interest in providing the service and felt that further detailed information was required in respect of the service to be provided. In addition it may be appropriate to seek further tenders.

Arising from the debate it was generally agreed that the report be deferred to enable further consideration.

**RESOLVED** that consideration of the ICT Infrastructure proposals be deferred.

The meeting closed at 8.15 p.m.

Chairman

## REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FINANCE & RESOURCES

### 1.0 PURPOSE

To seek approval of the appropriate formal resolutions to determine the levels of Council Tax for Bromsgrove District Council for 2017/18. The levels of tax take account of the requirements of Bromsgrove District Council, Worcestershire County Council, the Police & Crime Commissioner for West Mercia, Hereford and Worcester Fire & Rescue Authority and the various Parish Councils.

### 2.0 BACKGROUND

The Localism Act 2011 made significant changes to the Local Government Finance Act 1992 and requires the billing authority to calculate a Council Tax requirement for the year, not its budget requirement as previously.

### 3.0 PRECEPTS AND LEVIES

Details have been received from the various precepting bodies to enable the Council to set the Council Tax for 2017/18. The amounts of the precepts are set out below:

	£
Worcestershire County Council	41,656,608.00
Police & Crime Commissioner for West Mercia	6,836,480.41
Hereford & Worcester Fire & Rescue Authority	2,867,585.35
Bromsgrove District Council	7,580,550.10
Parish precepts	850,637.88
<b>Total</b>	<b>59,791,861.74</b>

The Parish Council Precepts for 2017/18 are detailed in the attached **Schedule 3**.

### 4.0 INFORMATION

Based on the recommendation from Cabinet, it is now necessary to formally set Council Tax levels throughout the area for the spending requirements of Bromsgrove District Council, Worcestershire County Council, the Police & Crime Commissioner for West Mercia, Hereford and Worcester Fire & Rescue Authority and the various Parish Councils. If the Council approves the recommendations set out below the average band D Council Tax in 2017/18 will be £1,658.27, made up as follows:

**BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL**  
**Council Tax Setting 2017/18**

Appendix 1

Authority	2016/17	2017/18	Increase
	£	£	%
Bromsgrove District Council	205.24	210.24	2.44
Worcestershire County Council	1,122.31	1,155.31	2.94
Police & Crime Commissioner for West Mercia	189.60	189.60	0.00
Hereford & Worcester Fire & Rescue	78.00	79.53	1.96
Parish Councils (Average)	22.73	23.59	3.79
<b>Total Council Tax</b>	<b>1,617.88</b>	<b>1,658.27</b>	<b>2.50</b>

The % increases all relate to the change from current year levels.

The necessary formal resolutions are set out below.

**The Council is recommended to resolve as follows:**

1. That it be noted at its meeting on 11th January 2017 the Cabinet calculated the Council Tax Base 2017/18
  - (a) for the whole Council area as 36,056.65 [Item T in the formula in Section 31B of the Local Government Act 1992, as amended (the “Act”)]; and
  - (b) for dwellings in those parts of its area to which a Parish precept relates the amounts as shown in Column 4 of the attached **Schedule 1**.
  
2. Calculate the Council Tax requirement for the Council’s own purposes for 2017/18 (excluding Parish precepts) is **£7,580,550.10**.
  
3. That the following amounts be calculated for the year 2017/18 in accordance with sections 31 to 36 of the Act:
  - (a) £47,988,849 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) *(i.e. Gross expenditure)*
  - (b) £39,557,662 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A (3) of the Act. *(i.e. Gross income)*
  - (c) £8,431,188 being the amount by which the aggregate of 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).

- (d) £233.83 being the amount at 3 (c) above (Item R), all divided by Item T (1(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) £850,638 being the aggregate amount of all special items (Parish precepts) referred to in Section 34 (1) of the Act (as per the attached **Schedule 3**).
- (f) £210.24 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 relates.
- (g) The amounts shown in Column 3 of **Schedule 1**. These are the basic amounts of the council tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of the Council's area shown in Column 1 of the schedule respectively to which special items relate, calculated by the Council in accordance with Section 34(3) of the Act. (District and Parish combined at Band D).
- (h) The amounts shown in Column 5 of **Schedule 1** being the amount given by multiplying the amounts at 4(g) above by the number which, in the proportion set out in Section 5(1) 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(1) 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;

4. It be noted that for the year 2017/18 Worcestershire County Council, Police & Crime Commissioner for West Mercia and Hereford and Worcester Fire and Rescue Authority have issued precepts to the Council in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 for each category of dwelling in the Council's area as indicated below:

	Valuation Bands							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Worcestershire County Council	770.21	898.57	1,026.94	<b>1,155.31</b>	1,412.05	1,668.78	1,925.52	2,310.62
Police & Crime Commissioner for West Mercia	126.40	147.47	168.54	<b>189.60</b>	231.74	273.87	316.01	379.20
Hereford and Worcester Fire and Rescue Authority	53.02	61.86	70.69	<b>79.53</b>	97.20	114.88	132.55	159.06

5. Having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at 4(h) and 5 above, that Bromsgrove District Council in accordance with Sections 30 and 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 hereby sets the amounts shown in **Schedule 2** as the amounts of Council Tax for 2017/18 for each part of its area and for each of the categories of dwellings.
6. That the Executive Director Finance & Resources be authorised to make payments under Section 90(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 from the Collection Fund by ten equal instalments between April 2017 to March 2018 as detailed below:

	Precept £	Surplus on Collection Fund £	Total to pay £
Worcestershire County Council	41,656,608.00	434,834.00	42,091,442.00
Police & Crime Commissioner for West Mercia	6,836,480.41	73,056.65	6,909,537.06
Hereford & Worcester Fire	2,867,585.35	30,220.00	2,897,805.35



7. That the Executive Director Finance & Resources be authorised to make transfers under Section 97 of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 from the Collection Fund to the General Fund the sum of £ 8,519,187.98 being the Council's own demand on the Collection Fund (£7,580,550.10), Parish Precepts (£850,637.88) and the distribution of the Surplus on the Collection Fund (£88,000).
8. That the Executive Director Finance & Resources be authorised to make payments from the General Fund to the Parish Councils the sums listed on **Schedule 3** by two equal instalments on 1 April 2017 and 1 October 2017 in respect of the precept levied on the Council.
9. That the above resolutions 3 to 5 be signed by the Chief Executive for use in legal proceedings in the Magistrates Court for the recovery of unpaid Council Taxes.
10. Notices of the making of the said Council Taxes signed by the Chief Executive are given by advertisement in the local press under Section 38(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.

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**BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL TAX  
INCLUDING PARISH PRECEPTS 2017/18**

**SCHEDULE 1**

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5 – by valuation band								
				Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H	
<b>Part of the Council's Area</b>	<b>Parish Band D</b>	<b>Basic Amount of Council Tax Band D (District + Parish)</b>	<b>Taxbase</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Alvechurch	47.85	258.09	2,304.12	172.06	200.74	229.41	258.09	315.44	372.79	430.15	516.18	
Barnt Green	62.58	272.82	998.54	181.88	212.19	242.51	272.82	333.45	394.08	454.70	545.64	
Belbroughton	54.17	264.41	1,199.97	176.27	205.65	235.03	264.41	323.17	381.92	440.67	528.82	
Bentley Paucefoot	28.54	238.78	186.28	159.19	185.72	212.25	238.78	291.84	344.90	397.96	477.56	
Beoley	24.45	234.69	454.00	156.46	182.54	208.61	234.69	286.84	339.00	391.15	469.38	
Bournheath	49.08	259.32	217.59	172.88	201.70	230.51	259.32	316.95	374.58	432.21	518.64	
Catshill & Marlbrook	18.11	228.35	2,338.14	152.23	177.61	202.98	228.35	279.10	329.84	380.58	456.70	
Clent	87.24	297.48	538.77	198.32	231.37	264.42	297.48	363.58	429.69	495.79	594.96	
Cofton Hackett	33.08	243.32	978.54	162.22	189.25	216.29	243.32	297.40	351.47	405.54	486.64	
Dodford with Grafton	28.89	239.13	397.35	159.42	185.99	212.56	239.13	292.27	345.40	398.54	478.26	
Finstall	25.82	236.06	304.94	157.38	183.61	209.84	236.06	288.52	340.98	393.44	472.12	
Frankley	38.31	248.55	50.98	165.70	193.31	220.93	248.55	303.78	359.01	414.24	497.10	
Hagley	53.60	263.84	2,901.30	175.89	205.21	234.52	263.84	322.47	381.10	439.73	527.68	
Hunnington	40.60	250.84	234.01	167.22	195.10	222.97	250.84	306.58	362.32	418.06	501.68	
Lickey & Blackwell	21.03	231.27	2,091.98	154.18	179.88	205.58	231.27	282.67	334.06	385.45	462.54	
Romsley	75.53	285.77	656.86	190.51	222.26	254.01	285.77	349.27	412.77	476.28	571.54	
Stoke	31.23	241.47	1,700.00	160.98	187.81	214.64	241.47	295.13	348.80	402.46	482.94	
Tutnall & Cobley	20.05	230.29	363.16	153.52	179.11	204.70	230.29	281.46	332.64	383.81	460.58	
Wythall	26.50	236.74	4,671.28	157.83	184.13	210.44	236.74	289.35	341.96	394.57	473.48	
Urban	N/A	N/A	13,468.84	140.16	163.52	186.88	210.24	256.96	303.68	350.40	420.48	
<b>Taxbase Total</b>			<b>36,056.65</b>									

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**COUNCIL TAX SCHEDULE FOR THE BROMSGROVE DISTRICT AREA INCLUDING  
BROMSGROVE D C, WORCESTERSHIRE C C, POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR WEST  
MERCIA, HEREFORD & WORCESTER FIRE & RESCUE AUTHORITY, PARISH PRECEPTS**

**SCHEDULE 2**

	Taxbase	Precept £	Council Tax per Valuation Band							
			Band A £	Band B £	Band C £	Band D £	Band E £	Band F £	Band G £	Band H £
Worcestershire County Council	36,056.65	41,656,608	770.21	898.57	1,026.94	1,155.31	1,412.05	1,668.78	1,925.52	2,310.62
Police & Crime Commissioner for West Mercia	36,056.65	6,836,480.41	126.40	147.47	168.54	189.60	231.74	273.87	316.01	379.20
Hereford & Worcester Fire & Rescue Authority	36,056.65	2,867,585.35	53.02	61.86	70.69	79.53	97.20	114.88	132.55	159.06
Bromsgrove District Council	36,056.65	7,266,393	140.16	163.52	186.88	210.24	256.96	303.68	350.40	420.48
<b>Total Unparished</b>			<b>1,089.79</b>	<b>1,271.42</b>	<b>1,453.05</b>	<b>1,634.68</b>	<b>1,997.95</b>	<b>2,361.21</b>	<b>2,724.47</b>	<b>3,269.36</b>
		Precept £	Total Bill Band A £ (6/9)	Total Bill Band B £ (7/9)	Total Bill Band C £ (8/9)	Total Bill Band D £ (9/9)	Total Bill Band E £ (11/9)	Total Bill Band F £ (13/9)	Total Bill Band G £ (15/9)	Total Bill Band H £ (18/9)
<b>Parish</b>										
Alvechurch	2,304.12	110,249	1,121.69	1,308.64	1,495.58	1,682.53	2,056.43	2,430.32	2,804.23	3,365.06
Barnt Green	998.54	62,490	1,131.51	1,320.09	1,508.68	1,697.26	2,074.44	2,451.61	2,828.78	3,394.52
Belbroughton	1,199.97	65,000	1,125.90	1,313.55	1,501.20	1,688.85	2,064.16	2,439.45	2,814.75	3,377.70
Bentley Paucefoot	186.28	5,316	1,108.82	1,293.62	1,478.42	1,663.22	2,032.83	2,402.43	2,772.04	3,326.44
Beoley	454.00	11,100	1,106.09	1,290.44	1,474.78	1,659.13	2,027.83	2,396.53	2,765.23	3,318.26
Bournheath	217.59	10,680	1,122.51	1,309.60	1,496.68	1,683.76	2,057.94	2,432.11	2,806.29	3,367.52
Catshill & Marlbrook	2,338.14	42,346	1,101.86	1,285.51	1,469.15	1,652.79	2,020.09	2,387.37	2,754.66	3,305.58
Clent	538.77	47,000	1,147.95	1,339.27	1,530.59	1,721.92	2,104.57	2,487.22	2,869.87	3,443.84
Cofton Hackett	978.54	32,374	1,111.85	1,297.15	1,482.46	1,667.76	2,038.39	2,409.00	2,779.62	3,335.52
Dodford with Grafton	397.35	11,478	1,109.05	1,293.89	1,478.73	1,663.57	2,033.26	2,402.93	2,772.62	3,327.14
Finstall	304.94	7,875	1,107.01	1,291.51	1,476.01	1,660.50	2,029.51	2,398.51	2,767.52	3,321.00
Frankley	50.98	1,953	1,115.33	1,301.21	1,487.10	1,672.99	2,044.77	2,416.54	2,788.32	3,345.98
Hagley	2,901.30	155,500	1,125.52	1,313.11	1,500.69	1,688.28	2,063.46	2,438.63	2,813.81	3,376.56
Hunnington	234.01	9,500	1,116.85	1,303.00	1,489.14	1,675.28	2,047.57	2,419.85	2,792.14	3,350.56
Lickey & Blackwell	2,091.98	44,000	1,103.81	1,287.78	1,471.75	1,655.71	2,023.66	2,391.59	2,759.53	3,311.42
Romsley	656.86	49,610	1,140.14	1,330.16	1,520.18	1,710.21	2,090.26	2,470.30	2,850.36	3,420.42
Stoke	1,700.00	53,097	1,110.61	1,295.71	1,480.81	1,665.91	2,036.12	2,406.33	2,776.54	3,331.82
Tutnall & Cobley	363.16	7,280	1,103.15	1,287.01	1,470.87	1,654.73	2,022.45	2,390.17	2,757.89	3,309.46
Wythall	4,671.28	123,790	1,107.46	1,292.03	1,476.61	1,661.18	2,030.34	2,399.49	2,768.65	3,322.36
Urban	13,468.84		1,089.79	1,271.42	1,453.05	1,634.68	1,997.95	2,361.21	2,724.47	3,269.36
<b>Total</b>	<b>36,056.65</b>	<b>850,638</b>								

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Parish Precepts 2017/18

SCHEDULE 3

	2016/17 Precept	2016/17 Taxbase	2016/17 Levy per Band D Equivalent	2017/18 Precept	Percentage Change in Precept Amount	2017/18 Taxbase	2017/18 Levy per Band D Equivalent
	£			£	%		£
Alvechurch	109,157	2,256.97	48.36	<b>110,249</b>	1.00	2,304.12	47.85
Barnt Green	57,650	921.29	62.58	<b>62,490</b>	8.40	998.54	62.58
Belbroughton	60,000	1,194.87	50.21	<b>65,000</b>	8.33	1,199.97	54.17
Bentley Paucefoot	5,318	184.23	28.87	<b>5,316</b>	-0.04	186.28	28.54
Beoley	11,100	447.95	24.78	<b>11,100</b>	0.00	454.00	24.45
Bournheath	10,680	218.60	48.86	<b>10,680</b>	0.00	217.59	49.08
Catshill & Marlbrook	37,513	2,314.39	16.21	<b>42,346</b>	12.88	2,338.14	18.11
Clent	45,000	685.13	65.68	<b>47,000</b>	4.44	538.77	87.24
Cofton Hackett	31,740	938.27	33.83	<b>32,374</b>	2.00	978.54	33.08
Dodford with Grafton	11,253	392.05	28.70	<b>11,478</b>	2.00	397.35	28.89
Finstall	8,169	292.30	27.95	<b>7,875</b>	-3.60	304.94	25.82
Frankley	1,896	49.79	38.08	<b>1,953</b>	3.00	50.98	38.31
Hagley	140,000	2,639.28	53.04	<b>155,500</b>	11.07	2,901.30	53.60
Hunnington	10,000	230.83	43.32	<b>9,500</b>	-5.00	234.01	40.60
Lickey & Blackwell	44,000	2,084.14	21.11	<b>44,000</b>	0.00	2,091.98	21.03
Romsley	48,495	655.22	74.01	<b>49,610</b>	2.30	656.86	75.53
Stoke	53,097	1,683.87	31.53	<b>53,097</b>	0.00	1,700.00	31.23
Tutnall & Cobley	7,280	362.79	20.07	<b>7,280</b>	0.00	363.16	20.05
Wythall	112,329	4,584.77	24.50	<b>123,790</b>	10.20	4,671.28	26.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>804,677</b>	<b>22,136.74</b>		<b>850,638</b>	<b>5.71</b>	<b>22,587.81</b>	

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