CABINET

RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE COUNCIL 24TH JANUARY 2018

6TH DECEMBER 2017

1. FEES & CHARGES 2018/19 REPORT

(Deferred from Council meeting held on 24th January 2018)

The Cabinet has considered a report on proposed fees and charges to be levied on services provided by the Council and used as the basis for income targets in the Medium Term Financial Plan 2017/18 – 2020/21.

The Medium Term Financial Plan has been prepared on the basis that additional income will be generated from fees and charges. The guideline increase provided to Heads of Service was 2.8% in line with CPI. Council are asked to approve those fees and charges which are over or under that guideline increase.

RECOMMENDED

That Council approve all fees and charges that are included within Appendix 1 of the report and which have a proposed increase/decrease for 2018/19 of over/under the current agreed budget assumption of 2.8%.

7TH FEBRUARY 2018

2. TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2018/19 - 2021/22

Members were asked to approve the strategy statement for treasury management and investments in order to comply with the Local Government Act 2003.

RECOMMENDED:

- (1) that the Strategy and Prudential Indicators at Appendix 1 to the report be approved; and
- (2) that the Treasury Management Policy at Appendix 2 to the report be approved.

3. PAY POLICY STATEMENT

The Localism Act requires England and Welsh local authorities to produce a Pay Policy Statement. The Act requires the statement to be approved by Full

Council and to be adopted by 31st March each year for the subsequent financial year.

RECOMMENDED that the Pay Policy as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report be approved.

4. MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLAN

The Cabinet considered the final revenue position and the Capital Programme 2018/19 – 2021/22 and made the following recommendations.

RECOMMENDED:

a) that the additional income / efficiencies as attached at Appendix 1 be approved:

2018/19 £ 580k 2020/21 £ 53k 2021/22 £272k

b) that the unavoidable pressures as attached at Appendix 2 be approved:

2018/19 £ 515k 2019/20 £ 3k

c) that the Revenue bids as attached at Appendix 3 be approved:

2018/19 £165k 2019/20 £15k

d) that the Capital Programme bids as attached at Appendix 4 be approved:

2018/19 £1.293m 2019/20 £999 k 2020/21 £1.940m 2021/22 £1.245m

e) that the Capital Programme unavoidable pressures as attached at Appendix 4 be approved:

2018/19 £110k 2019/20 £110k

- that the budget savings and pressures for 2018/19-2021/22 are subject to change due to the potential impact of changes to service delivery and the localisation of Business Rates together with any future changes to New Homes Bonus; and
- g) that following the decision at Council on 24th January 2018, the sum of £80k is made available from balances to fund potential Hardship cases in relation to Council Tax Support in 2018/19.

THE REVISED MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLAN REPORT – TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE CABINET MEETING ON 21ST FEBRUARY IS ATTACHED AT ITEM 12 OF THIS AGENDA.