

BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MEETING OF THE CABINET

26TH FEBRUARY 2020, AT 4.30 P.M.

PRESENT: Councillors K.J. May (Leader), G. N. Denaro (Deputy Leader), A. D. Kent, M. A. Sherrey and S. A. Webb

Officers: Mr. K. Dicks, Ms. J. Pickering and Ms. A. Scarce

76/19 **TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

77/19 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest on this occasion.

78/19 **MINUTES**

The minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 12th February 2020 were submitted.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 12th February 2020 be approved as a correct record.

79/19 **COUNCIL TAX RESOLUTION**

The Executive Director, Finance and Resources introduced the item which was seeking the approval of the appropriate formal resolutions to determine the levels of Council Tax for 2020/21, taking into account the requirements of this Council, Worcestershire County Council, Police and Crime Commissioner for West Mercia, Hereford and Worcester Fire & Rescue Authority and the various Parish Councils.

It was noted that, whilst the figures quoted within the report had not changed at all, the cross references to the Medium Term Financial Plan were incorrect, as the report had been considered at the Cabinet meeting on 15th January. Revised recommendations were therefore tabled at the meeting and would be attached to these minutes for ease of reference. It was also highlighted that at 3.3 of the report the figure quoted should be £1,875.28 and not £1,809.56 as stated.

RESOLVED that

- 2.1 At the Cabinet meeting held on 15th January 2020 the calculated Council Tax Base 2020/21 was approved as:
- (a) for the whole Council area as 37,208.98 [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**.

RECOMMENDED that

- 2.2.1 The calculation of the Council Tax requirement for the Council's own purposes for 2020/21 (excluding Parish precepts) as **£8,483,805.00**.
- 2.2.2 That the following amounts be calculated for the year 2020/21 in accordance with sections 31 to 36 of the Act:
- (a) £42,619,245 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) £33,183,608 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) £9,435,442 being the amount by which the aggregate of 2.2.2 (a) above exceeds the aggregate at 2.2.2 (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) £253.58 being the amount at 2.2.2 (c) above (Item R), all divided by Item T (2.1.(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) £951,832 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) £228.00 being the amount at 2.2.2 (d) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 2.2.2 (e) above by Item T (2.1.(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 2.2.2(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;

2.2.3 It be noted that for the year 2020/21 Worcestershire County Council, Police and 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	874.03	1,019.71	1,165.38	1,311.05	1,602.39	1,893.74	2,185.08	2,622.10
Police and Crime Commissioner for West Mercia	150.13	175.16	200.18	225.20	275.24	325.29	375.33	450.40
Hereford and Worcester Fire and Rescue Authority	57.33	66.88	76.44	85.99	105.10	124.21	143.32	171.98

2.2.4 Having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at 2.2.2 (h) and 4 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 2020/21 for each part of its area and for each of the categories of dwellings.

2.2.5 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 2020 to March 2021 as detailed below:

	Precept £	Surplus on Collection Fund £	Total to pay £
Worcestershire County Council	48,782,833.00	1,248,036.00	50,030,869.00
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2.2.6 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 £9,680,390 being the Council's own demand on the Collection Fund (£8,483,805), Parish Precepts (£951,832) together with the distribution of the Surplus on the Collection Fund (£244,753).

2.2.7 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 2020 and 1 October 2020 in respect of the precept levied on the Council.

2.2.8 That the above resolutions be signed by the Chief Executive for use in legal proceedings in the Magistrates Court for the recovery of unpaid Council Taxes.

2.2.9 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.

The meeting closed at 4.35 p.m.

Chairman

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR COUNCIL

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