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COUNCIL

KIRKLEES COUNCIL

**At the Meeting of the Council of the Borough of Kirklees held at
Council Chamber - Town Hall, Huddersfield on Wednesday 14 February 2018**

PRESENT

The Mayor (Councillor Christine Iredale) in the Chair

COUNCILLORS

Councillor Masood Ahmed	Councillor Mahmood Akhtar
Councillor Karen Allison	Councillor Bill Armer
Councillor Gulfam Asif	Councillor Donna Bellamy
Councillor Martyn Bolt	Councillor Cahal Burke
Councillor Jean Calvert	Councillor Andrew Cooper
Councillor Nosheen Dad	Councillor Jim Dodds
Councillor Richard Eastwood	Councillor Eric Firth
Councillor Donald Firth	Councillor Michelle Grainger-Mead
Councillor Charles Greaves	Councillor David Hall
Councillor Steve Hall	Councillor Lisa Holmes
Councillor Edgar Holroyd-Doveton	Councillor James Homewood
Councillor Judith Hughes	Councillor Mumtaz Hussain
Councillor Paul Kane	Councillor Manisha Roma Kaushik
Councillor Viv Kendrick	Councillor Musarrat Khan
Councillor John Lawson	Councillor Vivien Lees-Hamilton
Councillor Robert Light	Councillor Fazila Loonat
Councillor Gwen Lowe	Councillor Terry Lyons
Councillor Andrew Marchington	Councillor Naheed Mather
Councillor Peter McBride	Councillor Bernard McGuin
Councillor Darren O'Donovan	Councillor Marielle O'Neill
Councillor Andrew Palfreeman	Councillor Shabir Pandor
Councillor Nigel Patrick	Councillor Carole Pattison
Councillor Mussarat Pervaiz	Councillor Amanda Pinnock
Councillor Andrew Pinnock	Councillor Kath Pinnock
Councillor Hilary Richards	Councillor Mohammad Sarwar
Councillor Cathy Scott	Councillor David Sheard
Councillor Ken Sims	Councillor Elizabeth Smaje
Councillor Richard Smith	Councillor Mohan Sokhal
Councillor Julie Stewart-Turner	Councillor John Taylor
Councillor Kath Taylor	Councillor Graham Turner
Councillor Nicola Turner	Councillor Sheikh Ullah
Councillor Rob Walker	Councillor Michael Watson
Councillor Gemma Wilson	Councillor Linda Wilkinson
Councillor Habiban Zaman	

136 Announcements by the Mayor and Chief Executive

Council held a minute of silence in respect to former Councillors Denis Ripley and Bob Mortimer, who had both recently passed away, and also in recognition of the 200th Anniversary of the Colne Bridge Mill Fire, in which seventeen people had died.

Tributes were paid by Councillors E Firth, Sheard, Light, Kane, Marchington, Cooper, Bolt, Sokhal, D Firth and the Mayor.

The Mayor conveyed the congratulations of the Council to Councillor Erin Hill upon the recent birth of her son.

The Head of Legal Services reminded Council, in respect of Agenda Item 5, of the restrictions applying to voting under Section 106 of the Local Government Act 1992.

The Chief Executive provided an update on financial developments subsequent to the publication of the Cabinet Motion, including additional social care funding, Government advice regarding changes to treasury management and potential funding available under the business rates pool budget arrangement.

137 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillor Hill (who is currently on maternity leave).

138 Minutes of Previous Meeting

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 17 January 2018 be approved as a correct record.

139 Declaration of Interests

Council received a schedule of dispensations that had been granted in respect of Councillors Ahmed, Allison, Calvert, Cooper, Dodds, Greaves, Khan, Lawson, Lyons, Marchington, Mather, McBride, Palfreeman, Pattison, A Pinnock, A U Pinnock, K Pinnock, Richards, Sims, Smaje, Smith, Sokhal, Stewart-Turner, Walker, Watson and Wilson. In addition, it was declared that further dispensations had been granted to Councillors Smaje, Palfreeman, R Smith, Loonat and A U Pinnock.

Councillors Scott, Pandor, E Firth, Calvert, Bellamy and Iredale declared an 'other' interest on the grounds that either they, or a family member, resided within a KNH property.

Councillor Smaje declared an 'other' interest as a Director of a group currently leasing Birstall Community Centre.

Councillors Scott and Zaman declared an 'other' interest on the grounds that they had family members in receipt of a blue badge.

Councillor Akhtar declared an 'other' interest on the grounds that he was in receipt of a blue badge.

Councillors Bellamy and D Firth declared an 'other' interest as Members of Holme valley Parish Council.

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Councillor Patrick declared an 'other' interest on the grounds that his wife is the Chair of Holmfirth Civic Hall Charitable Trust (part funded by Holme Valley Parish Council).

Councillor E Firth declared an 'other' interest as a Director of Kirklees Community Association.

Councillor O'Neill declared an 'other' interest on the grounds that she is in receipt of single person council tax reduction.

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Budget 2018/2020

It was moved by Councillor Pandor and seconded by Councillor G Turner;

That;

(1) Capital

- the draft Capital Plan 2018-2023 be approved (appendix E refers)
- the Prudential Indicators as detailed at appendix F be approved

(2) Treasury Management (Appendix C)

- the borrowing strategy be approved (paragraphs 2.12-2.18 refer)
- the investment strategy be approved (paragraphs 2.19-2.33 refer)
- the policy for provision of repayment of debt (minimum revenue provision/MPR) be approved (Appendix C refers, reflecting the changes in policy outlined in paragraphs 2.34-2.66) effective from 2017-2018, be approved
- the treasury management indicators be approved (appendix D refers)
- proposals to re-refresh the treasury management strategy for financial year 2019-2020 to reflect revised 2017 CIPFA Treasury Management and Prudential Codes, and updated Government Investment Strategy and MRP guidance to Local Authorities (Government guidance pending), be noted.

(3) General Fund Revenue

- the Draft Revenue Budget 2018/2020 be approved, as attached at appendix A
- the forecast levels of statutory and other Council reserves, as set out at appendix B, be noted
- the strategy for the use of balances and reserves be approved (paragraph 3.73 refers)
- a further reassessment of reserves requirements be undertaken at year end and reported to Members as part of the 2017-2018 financial outturn and rollover report (paragraph 3.74 refers)
- the Council's continued participation on the Leeds City Region business rates pool for 2018-2019 be noted (paragraph 3.26 refers)
- the Flexible Capital Receipts Strategy for 2018-2019 be approved (appendix D refers)
- the Council Tax requirement for 2018-2019 be approved (appendix H refers)
- the Council's Pay Policy Statement for 2018-2019 be approved (appendix I i-iv refers)

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- the Council's Statutory S151 Officer's positive assurance statement be noted (paragraphs 4.4.2 – 4.4.9 refer)
- the Council's Statutory S151 Officer be given delegated authority to amend how the finally approved precepts are recorded in the Council's revenue budget in line with the final notifications received following decisions by the Office of Police and Crime Commissioner, the Fire and Rescue Authority and Parish Councils, should these be received after 14 February 2018 (paragraph 4.1.3 refers)

(4) Housing Revenue Account

- the draft Housing Revenue Account Budget for 2018-2020 be approved (appendix A refers)
- the strategy for the use of the Housing Revenue Account reserves, as set out at paragraphs 3.93 -3.94, be approved.

Whereupon, it was moved by Councillor D Hall and seconded by Councillor J Taylor, by way of AMENDMENT, that

Capital Proposals

Description of proposal	2018-19 £000's	2019-20 £000's
re-profile town centre capital development	-1,537	-7,073
Investment in additional highway maintenance; funded by treasury management savings arising from re-profiling of town centre capital development	1,537	7,073
total	0	0

Revenue Proposal - additional costs

Description of proposal	2018-19 £000's	2019-20 £000's
Removal of libraries saving	700	300
Removal of car parking saving – ref NEW CR6	100	125
Removal of Holmfirth market closure – ref New ER6		40
Extra street cleaning service devolved to ward budgets	115	
reverse year 2 transformation fund reduction- to maintain base budget provision of 250k		180
Revise profile of ASC precept increase across years ; reduce to 2% in 18/19 (reduce from 3%)	1,600	
Council tax increase limited to 2.9% in year 2018-2019	160	
total	2,675	645

Revenue Proposal - additional funding/savings

Description of proposal	2018-19 £000's	2019-20 £000's

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Additional one off funding arising from Kirklees Council being part of the LCR business rates pool pilot	1,600	-1,600
Reduction of subsidy for Trades Union Duties	125	
Removal of transformation fund resources	504	
transfer of some community capacity money to support friends of libraries volunteer groups	100	
Additional procurement savings (new)	46	345
Savings from Customer Contact Centre	100	100
Savings from Comms & Marketing	100	100
Savings from Policy Unit	100	100
Revise profile of ASC precept increase across years ; 1% increase in 19/20		1,600
total	2,675	645

The Amendment, on being put to the vote was LOST.

(In accordance with the requirements of Council Procedure Rule 19 (7), the vote was taken by recorded vote which was as follows;

FOR: Councillors Armer, Bellamy, Bolt, Calvert, Dodds, D Firth, Grainger-Mead, D Hall, Holmes, Lees-Hamilton, Light, McGuin, Palfreeman, Patrick, Sims, Smaje, Smith, J Taylor, K Taylor, Watson and Wilson (21 votes)

AGAINST: Councillors Ahmed, Akhtar, Allison, Asif, Burke, Cooper, Dad, Eastwood, E Firth, Greaves, S Hall, Holroyd-Doveton, Homewood, Hughes, Hussain, Iredale, Kane, Kaushik, Kendrick, Khan, Lawson, Loonat, Lowe, Lyons, Marchington, Mather, McBride, O'Donovan, O'Neill, Pandor, Pattison, Pervaiz, A Pinnock, A U Pinnock, K Pinnock, Richards, Sarwar, Scott, Sheard, Sokhal, Stewart-Turner, G Turner, N Turner, Ullah, Walker, Wilkinson and Zaman (47 votes))

Whereupon, it was moved by Councillor Lawson and seconded by Councillor N Turner, by way of AMENDMENT, that

Capital Proposals

Description of proposal	2018-19 £000's	2019-20 £000's
reduce funding for regeneration of strategic town centres	-1,315	-19,172
unclassified roads and pavements as per ward priorities	1,000	1,000
feasibility study for improvements to Lockwood bar & Longroyd Bridge	100	
feasibility study for a new crossing ; River Colne & Milnsbridge & new access road into Slaithwaite from Manchester Rd	100	
total	-115	-18,172

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Revenue Proposal - additional costs

Description of proposal	2018-19 £000's	2019-20 £000's
events & festivals	100	
remove a proportion of the libraries savings	543	383
proposed 2% ASC in 2018-19; reduced from 3%	1,600	
total	2,243	383

Revenue Proposal - additional savings

Description of proposal	2018-19 £000's	2019-20 £000's
re-profile regeneration of strategic town centres	103	347
remove transformation fund increase in year one	504	
return to committee system	36	36
Additional one off funding arising from Kirklees Council being part of the LCR business rates pool pilot	1,600	-1,600
increase in ASC precept by 1% in 2019-20		1,600
total	2,243	383

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(In accordance with the requirements of Council Procedure Rule 19 (7), the vote was taken by recorded vote which was as follows;

FOR: Councillors Burke, Calvert, Eastwood, Iredale, Lawson, Marchington, A Pinnock, AU Pinnock, N Turner and Wilkinson (10 votes)

AGAINST: Councillors Ahmed, Akhtar, Allison, Asif, Cooper, Dad, E Firth, Greaves, S Hall, Holroyd-Doveton, Homewood, Hughes, Hussain, Kane, Kaushik, Kendrick, Khan, Loonat, Lowe, Lyons, Mather, McBride, O'Donovan, O'Neill, Pandor, Pattison, Pervaiz, AU Pinnock, Richards, Sarwar, Scott, Sheard, Sokhal, Stewart-Turner, G Turner, Ullah, Walker and Zaman (38 votes)

ABSTAINED: Councillors Armer, Bellamy, Bolt, Dodds, D Firth, Grainger-Mead, D Hall, Holmes, Lees-Hamilton, Light, McGuin, Palfreeman, Patrick, Sims, Smaje, Smith, J Taylor, K Taylor, Watson and Wilson)

Whereupon, it was moved by Councillor Cooper and seconded by Councillor Allison, by way of AMENDMENT, that

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Capital Proposals		
Description of proposal	2018-19	2019-20
	£000's	£000's
Play areas at rufford road	50	
Play areas at manor street	35	
Play areas in town centre	50	
mount pleasant development of multi-use games area	190	
traffic calming measures	150	
electric vehicles replacement for KNH and Council fleet (127 units) ; 32 in 18-19 and 95 in 19-20	768	3,690
public rapid charging equipment for electric vehicles	66	
slippage in strategic town centres	-1,309	-3,690
total	0	0
Revenue Proposal - additional costs		
Description of proposal	2018-19	2019-20
	£000's	£000's
ASC precept - 2% uplift in 18-19 (reduce from 3%)	1,600	
rough sleepers; housing solutions officer & flexible pot to facilitate move-on	57	68
public rapid charging equipment for electric vehicles	16	16
community engagement facilities	300	
maintenance for play areas	10	10
total	1,983	94

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Revenue Proposal - additional savings		
Description of proposal	2018-19	2019-20
	£000's	£000's
Additional one off funding arising from Kirklees Council being part of the LCR business rates pool pilot	1,600	-1,600
reduction in transformation funding	349	
savings arising from electric vehicles	34	94
ASC precept - proposed 1% uplift in 19-20		1,600
total	1,983	94

The Amendment, on being put to the vote was LOST.

(In accordance with the requirements of Council Procedure Rule 19 (7), the vote was taken by recorded vote which was as follows;

FOR: Councillors Allison, Cooper and Stewart-Turner (3 votes)

AGAINST: Councillor Ahmed, Akhtar, Armer, Asif, Bellamy, Bolt, Calvert, Dad, Dodds, D Firth, E Firth, Grainger-Mead, D Hall, S Hall, Holmes, Holroyd-Doveton, Homewood, Hughes, Hussain, Iredale, Kane, Kaushik, Kendrick, Khan, Lees-Hamilton, Light, Loonat, Lowe, Mather, McBride, McGuin, O'Donovan, O'Neill, Palfreeman, Pandor, Patrick, Pattison, Pervaiz, AU Pinnock, Richards, Sarwar, Scott, Sheard, Sims, Smaje, Smith, J Taylor, K Taylor, G Turner, Ullah, Walker, Watson, Wilson and Zaman (54 votes)

ABSTAINED: Councillors Burke, Eastwood, Greaves, Lawson, Lyons, Marchington, A Pinnock, K Pinnock, N Turner and Wilkinson.

Whereupon the Substantive Motion was put to the vote, CARRIED and it was therefore RESOLVED;

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ABSTAINED: Councillors Greaves and Lyons.

RESOLVED - Budget Motion Approved.

