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COUNCIL

KIRKLEES COUNCIL

**At the Meeting of the Council of the Borough of Kirklees held at
Virtual Meeting - online on Wednesday 21 October 2020**

PRESENT

The Mayor (Councillor Mumtaz Hussain) 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 Aafaq Butt	Councillor Andrew Cooper
Councillor Paola Antonia Davies	Councillor Paul Davies
Councillor Richard Eastwood	Councillor Donald Firth
Councillor Eric Firth	Councillor Michelle Grainger-Mead
Councillor Charles Greaves	Councillor David Hall
Councillor Steve Hall	Councillor Lisa Holmes
Councillor Erin Hill	Councillor James Homewood
Councillor Yusra Hussain	Councillor Christine Iredale
Councillor Manisha Roma Kaushik	Councillor Viv Kendrick
Councillor Musarrat Khan	Councillor John Lawson
Councillor Vivien Lees-Hamilton	Councillor Susan Lee-Richards
Councillor Gwen Lowe	Councillor Aleks Lukic
Councillor Terry Lyons	Councillor Andrew Marchington
Councillor Naheed Mather	Councillor Peter McBride
Councillor Bernard McGuin	Councillor Alison Munro
Councillor Richard Murgatroyd	Councillor Darren O'Donovan
Councillor Shabir Pandor	Councillor Nigel Patrick
Councillor Carole Pattison	Councillor Amanda Pinnock
Councillor Andrew Pinnock	Councillor Kath Pinnock
Councillor Mohammad Sarwar	Councillor Cathy Scott
Councillor Will Simpson	Councillor Elizabeth Smaje
Councillor Anthony Smith	Councillor Richard Smith
Councillor Mohan Sokhal	Councillor John Taylor
Councillor Kath Taylor	Councillor Mark Thompson
Councillor Graham Turner	Councillor Sheikh Ullah
Councillor Harpreet Uppal	Councillor Rob Walker
Councillor Lesley Warner	Councillor Michael Watson
Councillor Paul White	Councillor Habiban Zaman

1 Announcements by the Mayor and Chief Executive

The Chief Executive advised Council that the Council has been awarded the Workplace Wellbeing Charter, a national award for England. The charter recognises the Council as a place to work that is committed to the health and wellbeing of all staff.

The Chief Executive reminded Members of the provisions of Section 106 Local Government Finance Act 1992 in relation to Agenda Item 6.

2 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Dad, Goodwin, Loonat and Pervaiz.

3 Minutes of Previous Meeting

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 9 September 2020 be approved as a correct record.

4 Declaration of Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

5 Dates of Council Meetings 2020-2021

It was moved by Councillor Sokhal, seconded by Councillor R Smith and

RESOLVED - That the schedule of Council meetings for the remainder of the 2020-21 municipal year be approved.

6 Council Budget Strategy Update; 2021/2022 and following years

It was moved by Councillor Turner, seconded by Councillor Pandor and

RESOLVED –

1. That the funding and spend assumptions informing the updated budget forecasts as set out in section 2.3 to 2.15 of the report be noted
2. That the current and forecast earmarked reserves and general balances as set out at Appendix B be noted
3. That the corporate budget timetable and approach set out at Appendix F be noted.
4. That the revised Minimum Revenue Provision Policy as set out in Section 2.14 of the report be approved
5. That the decision on preferred option for Business Rates Pool arrangements for 2021/22 to be delegated to the Chief Executive and Service Director – Finance, in consultation with the Leader and Corporate Portfolio holder, as per Section 2.4 of the report be approved
6. That the updated multi-year capital budget plans as set out at Appendix D be approved
7. That the flexible capital receipts strategy set out in Section 2.17 of the report be approved
8. That the financial planning framework set out in Section 1.4 of the report be approved
9. That the budget consultation approach and timetable set out in Section 3 of the report be approved.

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7 Our Council Plan

It was moved by Councillor Pandor, seconded by Councillor Turner and

RESOLVED - That 'Our Council Plan' and 'Measuring our impact and progress against the 2018/20 Corporate Plan' be approved.

8 Tackling Inequalities

It was moved by Councillor Pandor, seconded by Councillor Turner and

RESOLVED - That the report be noted and the establishment of the Inequalities Commission be endorsed.

9 Key Discussion - Kirklees Council's Use of Technology : Responding to the Challenges of the Covid-19 Pandemic

Item not considered due to time constraints.