Contact Officer: Andrea Woodside

COUNCIL

KIRKLEES COUNCIL

At the Meeting of the Council of the Borough of Kirklees held at Main Hall - Town Hall, Huddersfield on Wednesday 16 February 2022

PRESENT

The Mayor (Councillor Nigel Patrick) in the Chair

COUNCILLORS

Councillor Masood Ahmed
Councillor Bill Armer
Councillor Martyn Bolt
Councillor Aafaq Butt
Councillor Nosheen Dad
Councillor Mahmood Akhtar
Councillor Donna Bellamy
Councillor Cahal Burke
Councillor Andrew Cooper
Councillor Paola Antonia Davies

Councillor Paul Davies Councillor Donald Firth
Councillor Eric Firth Councillor Charles Greaves

Councillor David Hall Councillor Steve Hall

Councillor Erin Hill Councillor James Homewood Councillor Mumtaz Hussain Councillor Yusra Hussain

Councillor Robert 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

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Councillor Matthew McLoughlin Councillor Darren O'Donovan Councillor Carole Pattison Councillor Mussarat Pervaiz

Councillor Amanda Pinnock
Councillor Kath Pinnock
Councillor Kath Pinnock
Councillor Jackie Ramsay
Councillor Elizabeth Reynolds
Councillor Mohammad Sarwar

Councillor Cathy Scott
Councillor Will Simpson
Councillor Anthony Smith
Councillor Mohan Sokhal
Councillor John Taylor
Councillor Sheikh Ullah
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104 Announcements by the Mayor and Chief Executive

Councillor Michael Watson

The Mayor advised Council of the process that would be applied for the consideration of Agenda Item 6 (Minute No. 109 refers).

Councillor Habiban Zaman

The Monitoring Officer reminded Council of the restrictions applying to voting by Members in relation to Agenda Item 6, in accordance with Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.

105 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Allison, Bamford, Gregg, Loonat, Holmes, K Taylor, Warner and White.

106 Minutes of Previous Meeting

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the Meeting of Council held on 8 December 2021 be approved as a correct record.

107 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

Public Sector Audit Appointments (PSAA) Process 2023 - 2028

It was moved by Councillor Y Hussain, seconded by Councillor J Taylor, and

RESOLVED - That Public Sector Audit Appointments Limited be asked to carry out Auditor duties on behalf of the Council and nominate a proposed external auditor to the Council and in due course, for the 2023-2028 period.

109 Budget 2022-2023

It was moved by Councillor P Davies and seconded by Councillor Pandor, that;

- (i) General Fund Revenue
 - the draft Revenue Budget for 2022-2023, as attached at Appendix A, be approved
 - the forecast spending and funding plans for the 2023-2027 period, as set out at Appendix A, be noted
 - the forecast levels of statutory and other council reserves, as set out at Appendix Bii, be noted
 - the strategy for the use of balances and reserves (paragraph 2.13 refers) be approved
 - the Council's participation in the Leeds City Region Business Rates Pool for 2022/2023 be noted, and that it also be noted that a further report will be submitted to Cabinet in March 2022 for formal agreement of the new arrangements
 - approval be given to the 2022-2023 Council taxbase for the whole Kirklees area, and the Council taxbases for the five Parish and Town Councils for 2022-2023 (Appendix Fi refers)
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following decisions by the West Yorkshire Mayor Police and Crime Commissioner, the Fire and Rescue Authority and the Parish Councils, should these be received after 16 February 2022 (paragraph 3.1.3 refers)

(ii) Treasury Management

- the borrowing strategy be approved (paragraphs 2.15 to 2.25 refer)
- the investment strategy be approved (paragraphs 2.26 to 2.34, Appendices A and B refer)
- the policy for provision of repayment of debt (minimum revenue provision) be approved (paragraphs 2.35 to 2.39, Appendix C refer)
- the treasury management indicators be approved (Appendix D refers)
- the investment strategy (non treasury investments) be approved (Appendix E refers)

(iii) Capital

- the updated Capital Plan 2021-2027 be approved (Appendix A refers)
- the Capital Strategy (including prudential indicators) be approved (Appendix E refers)

(iv) Housing Revenue Account

- the draft Housing Revenue Account Budget for 2022-2023 be approved (Appendix A refers)
- the strategy for the use of the Housing Revenue Account reserves be approved (paragraph 2.15.6 refers)

Whereupon, it was moved by Councillor Cooper and seconded by Councillor Lee-Richards by way of AMENDMENT, that:

Green Group Budget Amendment Proposals

GENERAL FUND - Revenue	22-23 £000	23-24 £000	24-25 £000	25-26 £000	26-27 £000
Developments					
Community based care co-operative model development Kirklees community trees project	50 10	50 10			
Community climate action projects - place based working	375	375			
join the global covenant of mayors	40	40	40	40	40
Total	475	475	40	40	40
Capital borrowing costs - revenue impact	23	165	258	308	358
Total	498	640	298	348	398
Funded by: drawdown from inclusive investment reserve Efficiencies	-375 -123	-375 -265	-298	-348	-398
Total	-498	-640	-298	-348	-398
Revenue effect	0	0	0	0	0
GENERAL FUND - Capital					
Safer streets - area based traffic calming Renewable energy installation in schools fuel poverty measures cycleways development climate bonds - regen projects	1,000 500 500 1,000 500	1,000 500 500	1,000	1,000	1,000
Total	3,500	2,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Funded by: Borrowing requirement Climate Bond Fuel poverty measures - 3rd party contribution; Charitable trust	-2,500 -500	-1,500 -500	-1,000	-1,000	-1,000

Total	-3,500	-2,000	-1,000	-1,000	-1,000
HRA - Revenue	22-23 £000	23-24 £000	24-25 £000	25-26 £000	26-27 £000
Capital borrowing costs - revenue impact	32	233	371	508	646
Total	32	233	371	508	646
Funded by: repair & maintenance efficiencies comfort charge from tenants (retrofit housing scheme)	-32	-133 -100	-221 -150	-308 -200	-396 -250
Total	-32	-233	-371	-508	-646
Total Revenue effect	0	0	0	0	0
HRA - Capital Retrofit Housing Passivhaus standard on all new build properties Solar PV panels on all new build projects	4,250 795 636	2,750 634 507	2,750 687 550	2,750 488 390	2,750 228 182
Total	5,681	3,891	3,987	3,628	3,160
Funded by: Borrowing requirement WYMCA funding support for Passivhsaus/Solar PV	-4,250 -1,431	-2,750 -1,141	-2,750 -1,237	-2,750 -878	-2,750 -410
Total	-5,681	-3,891	-3,987	-3,628	-3,160

Whereupon it was moved by Councillor Greaves and seconded by Councillor Lyons by way of AMENDMENT, that;

Independent Group Budget Amendment Proposals

General Fund Revenue	22-23 £000	23-24 £000	24-25 £000	25-26 £000	26-27 £000
Capital borrowing costs - revenue impact	0	2	13	31	156
Total	0	2	13	31	156
Funded by: efficiencies, including estate review		-2	-13	-31	-156
Total	0	-2	-13	-31	-156
Revenue effect	0	0	0	0	0
General Fund Capital smaller towns & villages Place standard Meltham Greenway		500		3000 2000	3000 2000
Total	0	500	0	5000	5000
Funded by: Borrowing requirement capital receipts		-250 -250		-2500 -2500	-2500 -2500
Total	0	-500	0	-5000	-5000

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

Conservative Group Budget Amendment Proposals

General Fund Revenue	22-23 £000	23-24 £000	24-25 £000	25-26 £000	26-27 £000
Developments					
Remove 1.99% Council Tax Increase 2022/23	4,000	4,080	4,160	4,244	4,330
Town and Village Centres Spring Clean Establish annual maintenance budget for street	200	0	0	0	0
furniture	200	200	200	200	200
Flockton Bypass feasibility study	100	0	0	0	0
Winter Maintenance review	100	0	0	0	0
Educational Attainment programme	500	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
SEND - additional investment in later years	0	0	0	1,000	1,000
Total	5,100	5,280	5,360	6,444	6,530
Capital borrowing costs - revenue impact	2	-108	-229	-423	217
Use of general reserves over MTFP	-2,877	-647	694	1,004	1,478
Total	2,225	4,525	5,825	7,025	8,225
Funded by: Use of Inclusion reserve to partly fund Educational Attainment programme Cease Trades Unions support costs Review of estate Fairer Funding net positive impact Annual incremental council-wide target for efficiencies	-2,000 -125 -100 0	0 -125 -200 -3,000 -1,200	0 -125 -300 -3,000 -2,400	0 -125 -300 -3,000	0 -125 -300 -3,000 -4,800
Total	-2,225	-4,525	-5,825	-7,025	-8,225
Revenue effect	0	0	0	0	0
General Fund Capital Extend Smaller Towns & Villages regeneration projects	0	1,000	1,000	1,000	0
Extend road resurfacing programme into years 4 and 5	0	0	0	5,000	5,000
Additional highways works to combat congestion on major roads	500	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Additional flood management and drainage improvements	250	250	250	250	250
Review Cultural Heart programme	0	-1,500	-9,000	16,000	11,250

Review Huddersfield Blueprint	0	-5,000	0	2,000	3,000
Total	750	-4,250	-6,750	-6,750	20,500
Funded by : Review of estate (future capital receipts)	-500	-1,000	-1,500	0	0
Borrowing requirement	-250	5,250	8,250	6,750	20,500
Total	-750	4,250	6,750	6,750	20,500

Whereupon, it was moved by Councillor Lawson and seconded by Councillor Marchington by way of AMENDMENT, that;

Liberal Democrat Group Budget Amendment Proposals

General Fund Revenue	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	26-27
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
electric bike scheme	75	60	60	60	60
economy and skills team	50	50	50	50	50
glass recycling	50	25	25	25	25
greening the workforce	25	25			
children's' mental health	200	300	400	400	400
free bulky waste collections	100	100	100		
borrowing costs - revenue implications	39	301	558	775	775
Total	539	861	1193	1310	1310
Funded by					
efficiency targets	-245	-502	-1140	-1257	-1257
Inclusive Investment	-259	-300			
reduced rate costs on public toilets	-5	-5	-5	-5	-5
ebike scheme recovery	-30	-54	-48	-48	-48
Total	-539	-861	-1193	-1310	-1310
Revenue effect	0	0	0	0	0
General Fund Capital					
extend community/local road improvements	5000	5000	5000		
roadside charging	50	50			
air quality monitors	100				
Toilets for public use - upgrading and remodelling	100	100	100		
Total	5250	5150	5100	0	0
Funded by					
additional borrowing	-5250	-5150	-5100	0	0
Total	-5250	-5150	-5100	0	0

Housing Revenue Account	22-23 £000	23-24 £000	24-25 £000	25-26 £000	26-27 £000
Revenue					
capital financing charges	8	58	108	158	208
Total	8	58	108	158	208
Funded by :					
efficiencies	_	-8	-33	-58	-83
energy export	-8	-50	-75	-100	-125
Total	-8	-58	-108	-158	-208
Revenue effect	0	0	0	0	0
Capital					
Solar PV and storage scheme	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000
Total	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000
Funded by					
additional borrowing	-1000	-1000	-1000	-1000	-1000
Total	-1000	-1000	-1000	-1000	-1000

The Green Group Amendment, as proposed by Councillor Cooper and seconded by Councillor Lee-Richards, on being put to the vote, was LOST.

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

FOR: Councillors Burke, Cooper, PA Davies, Iredale, Lawson, Lee-Richards, Marchington, Munro, A Pinnock, K Pinnock, A Smith (11 votes)

AGAINST: Councillors Ahmed, Akhtar, Armer, Bellamy, Bolt, Butt, Dad, P Davies, D Firth, E Firth, D Hall, S Hall, Hill, Homewood, M Hussain, Y Hussain, Kaushik, Kendrick, Khan, Lees-Hamilton, Lowe, Lukic, Mather, McBride, McGuin, McLoughlin, O'Donovan, Pandor, Patrick, Pattison, Pervaiz, A U Pinnock, Ramsay, Reynolds, Sarwar, Scott, Sheard, Simpson, Smaje, R Smith, Sokhal, Stephen, J Taylor, Thompson, Ullah, Uppal, Watson and Zaman (48 Votes)

ABSTAINED: Councillors Greaves and Lyons

The Independent Group Amendment, as proposed by Councillor Greaves and seconded by Councillor Lyons, on being put to the vote, was LOST.

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

FOR: Councillors Greaves and Lyons (2 Votes)

AGAINST: Councillors Ahmed, Akhtar, Armer, Bellamy, Bolt, Butt, Dad, P Davies, D Firth, E Firth, D Hall, S Hall, Hill, Homewood, M Hussain, Y Hussain, Kaushik, Kendrick, Khan, Lees-Hamilton, Lowe, Mather, McBride, McGuin, McLoughlin, O'Donovan, Pandor, Patrick, Pattison, Pervaiz, A U Pinnock, Ramsay, Reynolds, Sarwar, Scott, Sheard, Simpson, Smaje, R Smith, Sokhal, Stephen, J Taylor, Thompson, Ullah, Uppal, Watson and Zaman (47 Votes)

ABSTAINED: Councillors Burke, Cooper, P A Davies, Iredale, Lee-Richards, Lawson, Lukic, Marchington, Munro, A Pinnock, K Pinnock and A Smith

The Conservative Group Amendment, as proposed by Councillor J Taylor and seconded by Councillor D Hall, on being put to the vote, was LOST.

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

FOR: Councillors Armer, Bellamy, Bolt, D Firth, D Hall, Lees-Hamilton, Lukic, McGuin, Patrick, Sheard, Smaje, R Smith, Stephen, J Taylor, Thompson and Watson (16 Votes)

AGAINST: Councillors Ahmed, Akhtar, Butt, Cooper, Dad, P Davies, E Firth, Greaves, S Hall, Hill, Homewood, M Hussain, Y Hussain, Kaushik, Kendrick, Khan, Lee-Richards, Lowe, Lyons, Mather, McBride, McLoughlin, O'Donovan, Pandor,

Pattison, Pervaiz, A U Pinnock, Ramsay, Reynolds, Sarwar, Scott, Simpson, Sokhal, Ullah, Uppal and Zaman (36 Votes)

ABSTAINED: Councillors Lawson, Burke, P A Davies, Iredale, Marchington, Munro, A Pinnock, K Pinnock and A Smith

The Liberal Democrat Group Amendment, as proposed by Councillor Lawson and seconded by Councillor Marchington, on being put to the vote, was LOST.

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

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ABSTAINED: Councillors Greaves and Lyons

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

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AGAINST: Councillors Armer, Bellamy, Bolt, Burke, Cooper, P A Davies, D Firth, Greaves, D Hall, Iredale, Lawson, Lee-Richards, Lees-Hamilton, Lukic, Lyons, Marchington, McGuin, Munro, Patrick, A Pinnock, K Pinnock, Sheard, Smaje, A Smith, R Smith, Stephen, J Taylor, Thompson and Watson (29 Votes)