

PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL
20 FEBRUARY 2019

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Minute of special meeting of Perth and Kinross Council held in the Council Chamber, Ground Floor, Council Building, 2 High Street, Perth on Wednesday 20 February 2019 at 11.00am.

Present: Provost D Melloy, Councillors C Ahern, H Anderson, A Bailey, K Baird, B Band, M Barnacle, P Barrett, B Brawn, R Brock, A Coates, H Coates, S Donaldson, D Doogan, E Drysdale, J Duff, A Forbes, T Gray, D Illingworth, I James, A Jarvis, G Laing, M Lyle, R McCall, S McCole, X McDade, T McEwan, A Parrott, B Pover, J Rebbeck, C Reid, W Robertson, F Sarwar, C Shiers, L Simpson, R Watters, M Williamson and W Wilson.

In Attendance: K Reid, Chief Executive; J Valentine, Depute Chief Executive; S Devlin, Executive Director (Education and Children's Services); B Renton, Executive Director (Housing and Environment); J Pepper, Depute Director (Education and Children's Services); K McNamara, Depute Director (Housing and Environment); R Packham, Chief Officer, Perth and Kinross Health and Social Care Partnership; L Simpson, S MacKenzie, S Hendry, A O'Brien, J Salisbury, S Walker, C Robertson, C Flynn, A Taylor, D Williams, K Donaldson, C Mackie, L Harris, K Barron, R Fry, L Potter, S Coyle, K Fraser, N Sutherland and L Brady (all Corporate and Democratic Services); P Davidson, R Hill, G Boland, J Cockburn and S Farrer (all Education and Children's Services); S Crawford, W Young, F Crofts and A Taylor (all Housing and Environment); J Smith and N Copland (Perth and Kinross Health and Social Care Partnership).

Apologies for Absence: Councillors C Purves and C Stewart.

Provost D Melloy, Presiding.

77. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Provost Melloy welcomed all those present to the meeting and apologies were noted as above.

78. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

In terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct, the following Councillors declared a non-financial interest in Art. 80:

Councillors G Laing, A Parrott, J Rebbeck, B Brawn, P Barrett, X McDade, E Drysdale, H Coates, W Robertson, C Ahern, K Baird, S Donaldson and B Pover.

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79. NOTICE OF MOTION IN TERMS OF STANDING ORDER 39

Motion (Councillors X McDade and S Donaldson)

The Council agrees that in the interests of transparency, unless exceptional circumstances apply, it is inappropriate for Committees of the Council to make material financial decisions which may impact upon, undermine or appear to predetermine the budget setting process, within the six week period preceding the date of the Council meeting to agree and set the budget. This motion does not extend to or curtail the programmed revenue, capital and treasury budget monitoring and reporting activity or the Housing Revenue Account rent setting process which may fall within the specified six week period. The Council therefore requests that the Head of Legal & Governance Services make the necessary changes to Council's governance documents as she considers appropriate.

Amendment (Councillors P Barrett and R McCall)

Council rejects the motion and agrees to maintain the status quo with regard to the Council's governance documents.

In terms of Standing Order 58 a roll call vote was taken.

19 members voted for the Motion as follows:

Councillors H Anderson, A Bailey, B Band, M Barnacle, R Brock, S Donaldson, D Doogan, E Drysdale, T Gray, G Laing, S McCole, X McDade, T McEwan, A Parrott, B Pover, J Rebbeck, F Sarwar, R Watters and M Williamson.

19 members voted for the Amendment as follows:

Councillors C Ahern, K Baird, P Barrett, B Brawn, A Coates, H Coates, J Duff, A Forbes, D Illingworth, I James, A Jarvis, M Lyle, R McCall, C Reid, W Robertson, C Shiers, L Simpson, and W Wilson; and Provost D Melloy.

In terms of Standing Order 56, the Provost exercised a casting vote in favour of the Amendment.

Resolved:

In accordance with the Amendment.

80. REVENUE BUDGET 2019/20, 2020/21 & 2021/22 – REPORT NO. 2

There was submitted a report by the Head of Finance (19/46) recommending the setting of a Final Revenue Budget for 2019/20, updating the Provisional Budget for 2020/21 and setting a Provisional Revenue Budget for 2021/22. The report also recommended that the Council determined the final Council Tax for 2019/20 and indicative levels of Council Tax for 2020/21 and 2021/22.

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Motion (Councillors M Lyle and P Barrett)

The Council agrees:

1. To approve the 2019/20 Provisional Revenue Budget of £351,134,000 as set out in Appendix B of Report No. 19/46.
2. To approve the 2020/21 Provisional Revenue Budget of £345,684,000 as set out in Appendix B of Report No. 19/46.
3. To approve the 2021/22 Provisional Revenue Budget of £348,244,000 as set out in Appendix B of Report No. 19/46.
4. To approve the carry forward of £3,591,000 of resources from 2018/19 into 2019/20 and future financial years under the terms of the Council's Revenue Budget Flexibility Scheme as set out in Appendix C of Report No. 19/46.
5. To approve the contribution to Perth & Kinross Integration Joint Board of £51,804,000 which is included in the 2019/20 Provisional Revenue Budget.
6. To approve a provision for the non-collection of Council Tax of 2% in 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22.
7. To approve a Council Tax base of 69,753 in 2019/20, 70,430 in 2020/21 and 70,941 in 2021/22.
8. To approve the expenditure pressures for 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22 as set out in Appendix D of Report No. 19/46.
9. To approve the implementation of the savings options for 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22 as set out in Appendix D of Report No. 19/46 with the exception of those listed in Appendix (i) of this Revenue Budget Motion.
10. To approve the additional savings proposals for 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22 as listed in Appendix (ii) of this Revenue Budget Motion.
11. To approve the additional expenditure proposals for 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22 as set out in Appendix (iii) of this Revenue Budget Motion.
12. To approve an additional contribution from Reserves of £187,000 in 2019/20.
13. To approve an additional contribution to Reserves of £229,000 in 2020/21.
14. To approve an additional contribution to Reserves of £33,000 in 2021/22.
15. To approve the Final Revenue Budget for 2019/20 of £354,005,000 resulting in a Band D Council Tax of £1,264 in 2019/20 as summarised in Appendix (iv) of this Revenue Budget Motion. This represents a 4% increase from the Council Tax Band D figure for 2018/19.
16. To approve the Updated Provisional Revenue Budget for 2020/21 of £349,063,000 resulting in an indicative Band D Council Tax of £1,314 in 2020/21 as summarised in Appendix (v) of this Revenue Budget Motion. This represents an indicative 4% increase from the Council Tax Band D figure for 2019/20.
17. To approve the Updated Provisional Revenue Budget for 2021/22 of £352,824,000 resulting in an indicative Band D Council Tax of £1,366 in 2021/22 as summarised in Appendix (vi) of this Revenue Budget Motion. This represents an indicative 4% increase from the Council Tax Band D figure for 2020/21.

