



New Forest
DISTRICT COUNCIL

Council Meeting Agenda

24 February 2020



SUMMONS

To All Members of the Council

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the District Council to be held in Council Chamber - Appletree Court, Beaulieu Road, Lyndhurst, SO43 7PA on Monday, 24 February 2020, at 6.30 pm



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AGENDA

Apologies

1. MINUTES (Pages 5 - 16)

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 9 December 2019 as a correct record.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

To note any declarations of interests made by Members in connection with an agenda item. The nature of the interest must also be specified.

Members are asked to discuss any possible interests with Democratic Services prior to the meeting.

3. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

4. LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

5. NOTICE OF PETITION

To consider the following petition of 2,039 signatures from New Forest West Labour Party in accordance with the Council's Petitions Scheme:-

“New Forest District Council wants to privatise our Leisure Centres. We, the undersigned, believe that they should be kept in public ownership and management and available to all.”

Note:

In accordance with Standing Order 38, the petition organiser may present the petition for a maximum of five minutes. Councillors may debate the petition for a maximum of 15 minutes.

6. REPORTS OF THE CABINET (Pages 17 - 20)

To consider the reports of the Cabinet dated:-

- 5 February 2020; and
- 19 February 2020 (to follow)

7. REPORT OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE (Pages 21 - 24)

To consider the report of the Audit Committee dated 24 January 2020.

8. REPORT OF THE HR COMMITTEE (Pages 25 - 26)

To consider the report of the HR Committee dated 30 January 2020.

9. REPORT OF THE ENVIRONMENT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL (Pages 27 - 28)

To consider the report of the Environment Overview and Scrutiny Panel dated 9 January 2020.

10. QUESTIONS

Under Standing Order 22.

11. NOTICE OF MOTION

In accordance with Standing Order 21, the Leader of the Council, Cllr Rickman will move the following motion:-

This Council explicitly condemns prejudice and intolerance in all forms. Adopting a clear and consistent definition of antisemitism provides residents of and visitors to the New Forest District with reassurance that antisemitism will not be tolerated. To this end, this Council adopts the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA) definition of antisemitism, as follows:-

“Antisemitism is a certain perception of Jews, which may be expressed as hatred toward Jews. Rhetorical and physical manifestations of antisemitism are directed toward Jewish or non-Jewish individuals and/or their property, toward Jewish community institutions and religious facilities.”

Note:

In accordance with Standing Order 41, the above motion, after being proposed and seconded (without speeches), should stand referred to the Cabinet, or to the Cabinet or such Committees or Panels as the Council may determine. However, the Chairman may allow the motion to be dealt with at this meeting if he considers it urgent, convenient or conducive to the despatch of business.

12. QUESTIONS TO PORTFOLIO HOLDERS UNDER STANDING ORDER 22A

To ask questions of Portfolio Holders. Questions received will be tabled at the meeting. Members are reminded that questions must be submitted to the Chief Executive or to the Executive Head of Governance and Housing by not later than 12.00 noon on Friday 21 February 2020.

13. COUNCIL TAX 2020/21 (Pages 29 - 40)

To set the Council Tax for 2020/21.

14. MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES AND PANELS

To consider any changes to the membership of Committees or Panels that might be proposed by the political groups.

The Conservative Group has notified the following proposed change:-

Planning Committee

Cllr Bellows to replace Cllr Carpenter

15. ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT

Agenda Item 1

9 DECEMBER 2019

NEW FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the New Forest District Council held on Monday, 9 December 2019

- * Cllr Allan Glass (Chairman)
- * Cllr Derek Tipp (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors:

- * Alan Alvey
- * Diane Andrews
- * Ann Bellows
- * Sue Bennison
- * Geoffrey Blunden
- * Hilary Brand
- Alex Brunsdon
- * Fran Carpenter
- * Louise Cerasoli
- * Mark Clark
- * Rebecca Clark
- * Steve Clarke
- * Jill Cleary
- * Anne Corbridge
- * Keith Craze
- Kate Crisell
- Jack Davies
- * Steve Davies
- * Arthur Davis
- * Sandra Delemare
- * Philip Dowd
- * Jan Duke
- * Barry Dunning
- * Jacqui England
- * Andrew Gossage
- * Michael Harris
- * David Harrison
- David Hawkins
- * Edward Heron

Councillors:

- * Jeremy Heron
- Cllr Alison Hoare
- * Maureen Holding
- * Christine Hopkins
- * Mahmoud Kangarani
- * Joshua Kidd
- * Emma Lane
- Martyn Levitt
- Alexis McEvoy
- * Ian Murray
- * Alan O'Sullivan
- * Stephanie Osborne
- * Neville Penman
- * Caroline Rackham
- * Alvin Reid
- * Joe Reilly
- * Barry Rickman
- Tony Ring
- * Steve Rippon-Swaine
- * David Russell
- * Ann Sevier
- * Mark Steele
- * Michael Thierry
- * Beverley Thorne
- * Neil Tungate
- * Alex Wade
- * Malcolm Wade
- * Christine Ward
- * John Ward

*Present

Officers Attending:

Bob Jackson, Grainne O'Rourke, Manjit Sandhu, Claire Upton-Brown and Matt Wisdom.

Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Brunsdon, Crisell, Hawkins, Hoare, Levitt, McEvoy and Ring.

51 MINUTES**RESOLVED:**

That the minutes of the meeting held on 14 October 2019, be confirmed.

52 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of any disclosable pecuniary interests made by Members.

Cllrs M Clark, R Clark, Delemare, Dowd, Osborne, A Wade and M Wade, for transparency purposes, declared non-pecuniary interests in respect of item 5 on the agenda, Reports of Cabinet, at minute 55 below. The interests concerned their membership of Hythe and Dibden Parish Council, which had developed the Hythe and Dibden Neighbourhood Plan, for adoption by the Council. They each concluded that there were no grounds under common law to prevent them from remaining in the meeting to speak and vote.

Cllrs Carpenter, Harrison, E Heron, Penman, Thierry and M Wade, for transparency purposes, declared non-pecuniary interests in respect of item 5 on the agenda, Reports of Cabinet, at minute 55 below. The interests concerned their membership of Hampshire County Council. They each concluded that there were no grounds under common law to prevent them from remaining in the meeting to speak and vote.

53 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman reported on the following recent engagements:-

November

- 10 Attended the Remembrance Day Service and Parade in Lyndhurst
- 11 Attended the New Forest Mencap's Annual General Meeting
- 12 Attended Community First New Forest's Annual General Meeting
- 15 Attended the Beaulieu Estate Dinner

The full list of engagements would be available to view in the upcoming Councillor Information Bulletin.

The Chairman reminded the Council of the upcoming Civic Christmas Carol Service, taking place at 7.00 pm on Friday 13 December 2019 at Beaulieu Abbey Church, Palace Lane, Beaulieu.

The Chairman reported on the Christmas Raffle, in support of his charities, Solent Dolphin and the New Forest Disability Information Service. There were three prizes available to win, with tickets available to buy from Information Officers at Appletree Court front desk. The draw will take place on Wednesday 18 December 2019.

54 LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Leader of the Council reported on the following:-

Police Cadet Awards

The Council was informed that the Portfolio Holder for Community Affairs attended Hampshire Safer Awards for volunteers last week in Winchester. New Forest Police Cadet Unit was nominated for their development of a high visibility patrol and prevention operation within forest car parks. The cadets and leaders engaged with vehicle owners to provide advice and literature around vehicle and property safety and also provided a deterrence to offenders through the provision of a visible presence. From February 2018 – February 2019, vehicle crime within New Forest car parks visibly reduced.

Brilliance in Business Awards

Members were thanked for their support of the Brilliance in Business Awards. Over 150 people were in attendance including over 70 local businesses.

In total there were over 100 nominations from over 100 businesses and the overall winners were Balmer Lawn Hotel. This year there were 10 categories of awards with the winners of the District Council's award for Customer Care being Clearview Aerials, from Hythe.

Go New Forest Cards

The Council was informed that the Executive Management Team had agreed to provide Go New Forest Discount Cards to Council employees and councillors. The cards could be used at many local businesses to obtain discounts on food and drink, arts and crafts, bike hire, health and fitness and outdoor activities. There were obvious benefits to getting discounts from local retailers who will also benefit from increased sales. The Council welcomed this relatively small investment that not only supports local business but provides benefits to Council employees.

55 REPORTS OF CABINET

The Leader of the Council presented the reports of the Cabinet meetings held on 6 November and 4 December 2019, and moved the adoption of the recommendations. Cllr E Heron seconded the motion.

Item 5 (4 December 2019) – Council Tax Discounts, Exemptions and Premiums

A number of Members spoke in support of the revised recommendations which proposed a council tax exemption for care leavers, highlighting the positive impact this would have at a relatively small cost to the Council.

Item 1 (4 December 2019) – Phase III of the National Network of Regional Coastal Monitoring Programmes (2021-2027)

Cllr Harrison highlighted this item and welcomed that New Forest District Council was leading on the work. However, he expressed concern on the appropriate finances being in place to take schemes forward and until central government

comes forward with a commitment, adequate coastal defences would remain a concern to him.

Item 2 (4 December 2019) – Consultation Draft Transport Strategy for the South East by TFSE

A number of Members highlighted the importance of promoting and securing improved rail links in the New Forest.

RESOLVED:

That the report be received and the recommendations be adopted.

56 REPORT OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSING TASK AND FINISH GROUP - ARTHRITIS MOTION

Cllr Cleary presented the report of the Private Sector Housing Task and Finish Group and moved the adoption of the revised motion as set out in the report and as follows:-

“This Council notes that:

- *Arthritis and related conditions of muscles, bones and joints affect 17.8 million people across the UK.*
- *People with these conditions often need access to the social care system.*
- *Versus Arthritis’ policy report ‘Adapted Homes, Empowered Lives’ details the positive impact home aids and adaptations can have on people with arthritis. Their quantitative research among 1059 people with arthritis found that:*
 - *60% of people with arthritis used an aid or adaptation*
 - *95% felt that aids and adaptations have had a positive impact on their lives*
 - *79% felt that aids and adaptations had helped them maintain their independence.*
- *Services that provide aids and adaptations are proven to be cost-effective and can result in health and care savings.*
- *Only 16% of people with arthritis with eligible care needs surveyed knew of the support that their council can offer them.*

This Council believes that an effective provision of the Disabled Facilities Grant and community equipment services can help people with arthritis achieve a better quality of life and reduce pressure on the social care system.

This Council endorses Versus Arthritis’ policy report ‘Adapted Homes, Empowered Lives’ and its recommendations.

This Council will evaluate its information and advice services about aids and adaptations and housing in line with best practice guidance to ensure they meet the needs of people with musculoskeletal conditions.

This Council will continue to be all inclusive and support those with all types of disability.”

Cllr S Davies seconded the motion.

Cllr M Wade welcomed the revised motion and thanked Members and Officers for their work in bringing it forward.

RESOLVED:

This Council notes that:

- Arthritis and related conditions of muscles, bones and joints affect 17.8 million people across the UK.
- People with these conditions often need access to the social care system.
- Versus Arthritis' policy report 'Adapted Homes, Empowered Lives' details the positive impact home aids and adaptations can have on people with arthritis. Their quantitative research among 1059 people with arthritis found that:
 - 60% of people with arthritis used an aid or adaptation
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This Council will continue to be all inclusive and support those with all types of disability.

57 QUESTIONS

There were none.

58 NOTICE OF MOTION

In accordance with Standing Order 21, Cllr Andrews, on behalf of Cllr Hoare, moved the following motion:-

"We live in a unique part of the world and as such we have unique problems and challenges when trying to protect not just our wildlife and pets, but the ponies, cattle and pigs who freely roam the forest. These are an integral part of our history and culture, the animals are people's stock and livelihood. Fireworks can cause many problems for animals, not just from the noise, but from the debris of spent rockets

which land within the forest, countryside and gardens which can cause severe distress or even death, if eaten.

Within the NFDC area there are also many people for whom fireworks are a source of distress, for example, the elderly, ex-service men and women and those who are vulnerable due to mental or physical challenges.

To this end the Council resolves to:

- (a) Engage with Government and local Members of Parliament to seek greater national regulation with regard to private and organised firework displays.*
- (b) Actively promote a public awareness campaign within the District about the impact of fireworks on animal welfare and vulnerable people, including precautions that can be taken to mitigate this.*
- (c) To require all public firework displays within (and encourage those just outside) the District to be advertised in advance of the event, allowing residents to take precautions for their animals and vulnerable people.*
- (d) To work with the NFNPA, Forestry England and Hampshire County Council for a joint and integrated approach.”*

Cllr E Heron seconded the motion.

The Chairman confirmed that, in accordance with Standing Order 41, the motion should stand referred to the Cabinet, or such Committees or Panels as the Council may determine. In view of the subject matter, Cllr Glass moved that the motion be referred to the Environment Overview and Scrutiny Panel, with further input from other Committees and Panels as necessary. Cllr Tipp seconded the motion.

RESOLVED:

That the motion be referred to the Environment Overview and Scrutiny Panel.

59 QUESTIONS TO PORTFOLIO HOLDERS UNDER STANDING ORDER 22A

Questions were put and answered under Standing Order 22A as follows:-

- Cllr Duke to the Portfolio Holder for Housing Services, Cllr Cleary, on the Council's use of bed and breakfast accommodation.
- Cllr Gossage to the Portfolio Holder for Economic Development, Cllr Harris, on targeted engagement with businesses.
- Cllr Penman to the Portfolio Holder for Leisure and Wellbeing, Cllr Steele, on a Health and Wellbeing Strategy.
- Cllr M Wade to the Leader of the Council, Cllr Rickman on Corporate Parenting.

Note – a copy of the full questions and replied are appended to these minutes.

60 MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES AND PANELS

RESOLVED:

That Cllr Craze be appointed to serve on the HR Committee in place of Cllr J Ward.

CHAIRMAN

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FULL COUNCIL – 9 DECEMBER 2019 – QUESTIONS TO PORTFOLIO HOLDERS UNDER STANDING ORDER 22A

Question 1

From Cllr Jan Duke to the Portfolio Holder for Housing Services, Cllr Jill Cleary

I have noticed in past years the increasing costs associated with this Council's use of bed and breakfast. Can the Portfolio Holder tell me how she intends to reduce this?

Answer:

The provision of Bed & Breakfast accommodation for homeless households has been a long standing emergency and temporary housing solution in response to a crisis situation. Whilst the use of this accommodation is intended for emergency placements and for short periods only, the number of households presenting to the Council in crisis situations have increased over the last few years.

This Council recognises that there needs to be better alternatives to the use of B&B accommodation for homeless households. That is why, in our Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy (which we adopted in April this year), we have made it one of our top objectives, to end the use of external B&B accommodation.

To achieve this aim the Council is currently investing in and developing its own emergency temporary accommodation in all of our major population areas, with access to clean bedding, en-suite bathrooms and a shared or dedicated kitchen. Our first such building, at Pentagon Court in Blackfield, has provided housing for 16 households, across 6 rooms, since the 25th of May this year. The annual reduction in B&B expenditure from this building alone, is around £130,000 per year. Our 2nd new building, at Ocknell Grove in Hythe, will, with effect from this week, welcome some of our most vulnerable ex-rough sleepers who have embarked upon a programme to turn their lives around. Getting the right accommodation and support is absolutely fundamental and I am delighted that we are now delivering on both these fronts. It has helped enormously that we have now in place, for the very first time, 4 of our own Housing Support Workers who provide intensive support to those with complex needs in order to prevent homelessness, sustain accommodation as well as helping rough sleepers access accommodation, access benefits and linking up with other services for vulnerable people.

We have also purchased Blease Court in Lymington, another property in Ashley Road in New Milton and another in Christchurch Road, Ringwood, which will bring forward a further 16-18 rooms over the next year. We are also in current negotiations to acquire another 6 room building, and I hope to announce a positive outcome shortly, plus development plans for another 25 rooms over the next few years.

I am sure you will agree that this is a significant achievement. The provision of more suitable temporary accommodation is not the only key objective we are working on. We have a clear direction of delivery in a number of key areas that will transform the lives of those in housing need in our communities. We are changing the way we allocate social housing in the District so that people get housing based on need, and not how long they have been waiting on the Housing Register. We are building and acquiring more council housing; we are developing our own Shared Ownership Scheme (which will be coming to fruition in Spring next year) and we are currently developing a new Private Sector Housing Strategy which will bring a whole suite of benefits for those that rely on the private rented sector.

I'm sure you will all agree that our proactive and targeted response on a significant number of new initiatives will help transform the lives of so many in our community.

Question 2

From Cllr Andrew Gossage to the Portfolio Holder for Economic Development, Cllr Michael Harris

At the last Cabinet meeting you told us that there are 8000 businesses in the New Forest and you now want to “target engagement” with them. What can the very small businesses in my Ward of Pennington look forward to in the future and how will they be able to access information relevant to their specific business area?

Answer:

New Forest District Council recognises the significance of the 89% of businesses within Pennington and the wider New Forest District which are micro businesses (those with fewer than 10 employees) as well as the value these businesses and entrepreneurs add to our local economy in terms of employment, local spend and community benefit.

The Economic Development Team is currently exploring a range of initiatives to ensure that there is improved engagement between NFDC and businesses in the district. One of the options includes the development of a ‘one stop shop’ website and associated support. This will provide all businesses with important information on business services (including those offered by NFDC) and sources of advice and funding to help them to start, grow and sustain their businesses. Economic Development staff have and will continue to add value to the Council’s website by working with businesses to help them to navigate the often-complex business support and grant environment to address the relatively poor uptake of such opportunities by New Forest businesses.

Where applicable, the business support offer will be tailor-made to meet the needs of New Forest businesses in specific sectors or locations.

We will continue to work with partners to support micro businesses. This includes but is not limited to provision of free 1-1 start-up advice, a wide range of business seminars and training organised in conjunction with New Forest Business Partnership and others, as well as engagement with Solent Apprenticeship Hub to provide support and information to micro businesses who are unaware or unsure of how provide apprenticeship places within the business.

Question 3

From Cllr Neville Penman to the Portfolio Holder for Leisure and Wellbeing, Cllr Mark Steele

In the Corporate Plan 'Community Matters 2020 – 2024, how will you develop and deliver a Health and Wellbeing Strategy focusing on Physical Health, Mental Health, Tackling Health Inequalities and Creating Healthier Communities.

Answer:

To develop the New Forest District’s Health and Wellbeing Strategy we will be using the insight and information that is available from a variety of sources to identify the key themes that are of concern and focus resources to tackle these issues. These areas will focus on the physical and mental health of our residents.

A wealth of information exists and we will use this to shape our strategy. We will use resources such as Public Health England's annual report on the Wider Determinants of Health for each local authority.

The Hampshire Health and Wellbeing Board has developed a strategy for the County. This too will be taken into account as part of the District Council's strategy development. The County's strategy has identified the key areas that should be a focus and these will be relevant to the District, with different weightings for our area against these County priorities depending on the results of local insight.

We will continue to work with our national, regional and local partners, to help deliver a joined up approach to better ensure that the health wellbeing of our residents is advanced. The strategy will identify areas that we can deliver as a District Council and also areas where we will work in partnership.

To work with me, I will be asking the Community and Leisure Panel for a Task and Finish Group who will help me develop the strategy over the next 12 months.

Question 4

From Cllr Malcolm Wade to the Leader of the Council, Cllr Barry Rickman

Can the Leader of the Council advise the Council Members, what are their responsibilities as a Corporate Parent for Looked After Children?

Answer:

This is a role which we perform for every child in our community and not just those in the County Council's care.

When I say every child, I mean every child that enters our Health & Leisure Centres, every child that lives in our Council Housing, every child that is part of a homeless family and in need of housing, every child that uses our local taxis safely, every child that is leaving care to embark upon life's journey or every child that just needs our local support and that of our partners.

At the District Council we recognise that we need all councillors and staff to be looking out for the best interests of all our young people including the most vulnerable children.

We recognise the importance of providing a housing pathway for care leavers once they are ready to leave care. Our new Homesearch Allocation Policy, approved in April 2019, provides both care leavers and young people living in Supported Accommodation with an urgent Band 2 priority, where they are ready for independent living. This enables care leavers to access social housing in the District which is absolutely vital.

Alongside this new Policy, we work closely with the Hampshire County Council's Care Leavers' Team, who are represented at our Homelessness Multi-Agency Forum, to support young care leavers obtain housing advice and accommodation. Our Housing Team has provided housing training to HCC in order for them to better support care leavers.

This Council has signed up to a Joint protocol with HCC to work together to help resolve situations where 16-17-year olds (including care leavers of that age), are at risk of homelessness, providing them with advice, accommodation, care and support, whilst a long term solution is achieved.

Our commitment to care leavers has also been demonstrated earlier this evening when we approved a Council Tax exemption for this important group.

We also recognise and value the important role each employee and Councillor has in identifying and addressing the needs of vulnerable children. To undertake and support the effective delivery of this function, the Council has dedicated safeguarding lead officers who provide training and advice to staff and members. 295 Council employees have attended and completed level 2 safeguarding training since October 2018 with a similar number scheduled for next year. Over the past 12 months, 27 individual cases of concern relating to neglect, psychological abuse and homelessness affecting children were raised to our partners in Children Services. In doing so, this enabled children and families to access services provided by this Council and our partners.

In 2012 the Council took on the additional responsibilities for delivering the Supporting Families programme, assisting vulnerable and 'at risk' families who reside in the New Forest District area. Since commencing this programme, officers of the Council have worked with over 700 children and families, acting in the best interests of the child, getting them back into education, assisting parents with obtaining employment, helping to break the generational dependence on the welfare system.

We will continue to take our Corporate Parenting responsibilities very seriously and recognise that every child in our community, including care leavers deserve our support and positive action to access the same opportunities and fulfil their ambitions.

I have asked the Chief Executive to arrange a training session to ensure that all Members fully understand and are aware of their Corporate Parenting responsibilities.

REPORT OF CABINET

(Meeting held on 5 February 2020)

1. MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES – SCHEME TO APPLY FROM 1 APRIL 2020 (MINUTE NO 58)

The Cabinet is recommending that the scheme of Members' allowances to apply from 1 April 2020 should remain unchanged.

RECOMMENDED:

That the current scheme of members' allowances be made as the scheme to apply from 1 April 2020.

2. COMMUNITY GRANTS (MINUTE NO 59)

The Cabinet, having considered the work of the Task and Finish Group and the Community and Leisure Overview & Scrutiny Panel are recommending approval of various community grants for the 2020/21 financial year.

An amendment to the proposed award to Youth and Families Matter has been supported by the Community and Leisure Overview and Scrutiny Panel and the Cabinet also supports this award.

The report proposes that £116,000 be awarded in Revenue grants and £97,650 for Capital Grants.

The Cabinet expressed their thanks to the hard work of the Task and Finish Group.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Community Grant awards set out in Appendix 1 and 2 of Cabinet Report 5 to the Cabinet Agenda, be approved and included in the Medium Term Financial Plan.

3. ASSET MAINTENANCE & REPLACEMENT PROGRAMME AND GENERAL FUND CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2020/21 (MINUTE NO 60)

The Cabinet is recommending approval of the asset maintenance and replacement programme and General Fund Capital Programme for 2020/21.

The asset maintenance programme includes the health and leisure centres and Dibden Golf course where the Council has a responsibility to maintain these assets.

The Capital Programme identifies a number of projects, including public conveniences modernisation and enhancements and works to Lymington Sea Wall.

RECOMMENDED:

That the schedule of projects, as included as Appendix 2 and 3 of Cabinet Report 6 to the Cabinet Agenda, for inclusion in the 2020/21 budget be agreed.

4. CAPITAL STRATEGY 2020/21 (MINUTE NO 61)

The Cabinet is recommending approval of the Capital Strategy 2020/21, including the adoption of the Minimum Revenue Position. The strategy sets out how capital expenditure, capital financing and treasury management come together, with an overview of current activities and the implications for future financial sustainability.

Cabinet would like to highlight the proposal within the strategy that the Council will continue to invest in maintaining existing house stock and that there will be investment in new homes. As a result, the capital expenditure budget for housing (HRA) is proposed to increase year on year through to 2022/23.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Capital Strategy 2020/21 be approved, including the adoption of the Minimum Revenue Provision statement, as follows:-

“For capital expenditure that has been incurred, and which has given rise to a CFR, the MRP policy for expenditure other than that incurred on investment property and dwellings, shall be to charge revenue an amount equal to the depreciation of any asset financed by loan. The MRP policy specific to investment properties and dwellings financed by loan, shall be to charge revenue an amount equivalent to the sum of borrowing utilised, over a repayment period of 50 years.”

5. ICT INFRASTRUCTURE RENEWAL PROJECT UPDATE (MINUTE NO 62)

The Cabinet approved an additional £120,000 in order to complete the ICT infrastructure renewal project and noted the delivery of the project to date.

The project commenced in 2017 to replace the old, unstable and ‘out of support’ ICT infrastructure which posed as a severe risk to the Council of being unable to conduct its business. The new ICT infrastructure enables all council staff to work on site or remotely using a personal device in a fast, secure and efficient way.

6. NEW MILTON NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN – EXAMINER’S REPORT (MINUTE NO 63)

The Cabinet, having considered the recommendations in the Examiner’s report in respect of the New Milton Neighbourhood Development Plan, is recommending that the proposed modifications be endorsed and the necessary arrangements for the plan to proceed to a referendum (the date of the referendum is anticipated as soon as practicable after the adoption of the Local Plan Review) be agreed.

The Cabinet commend New Milton Town Council and all those who have been involved in the development of the neighbourhood plan to the referendum stage.

RECOMMENDED:

- i. That the recommendations made in the Examiner’s Report (Appendix 2 of Cabinet Report 9 to the Cabinet Agenda) into the New Milton Neighbourhood Development Plan (Appendix 1 of Cabinet Report 9 to the Cabinet Agenda, shows the submission plan) be noted;***
- ii. That the examiner’s proposed modifications and Council responses to them as set out in the Decision Statement (Appendix 3 of Cabinet Report 9 to the Cabinet Agenda) be agreed;***
- iii. That the necessary arrangements for the New Milton Neighbourhood***

Development Plan to proceed to referendum, (the date of the referendum is anticipated to be as soon as practicable after the adoption of the Local Plan Review) be agreed.

7. INTERIM HOUSING DELIVERY TEST ACTION PLAN (MINUTE NO 64)

The Cabinet agreed to publish the Interim Housing Delivery Test Action Plan for 2018-19 and 2019-20. The Housing Delivery Test (HDT) is an annual measurement of housing delivery published annually by the Government at local authority level.

It was also agreed that following the formal adoption of the Local Plan 2016-2036 Part 1: Planning Strategy that there be focused industry consultation on the Interim Housing Delivery Test Action Plan and that this Action Plan would be updated when the HDT result is recalculated.

8. HAMPSHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL (MINUTE NO 65)

The Cabinet agreed that New Forest District Council's representation on the Hampshire Police and Crime Panel be as follows:-

Representative – Cllr Andrews

Reserve – Cllr Clarke

**COUNCILLOR B RICKMAN
CHAIRMAN**

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REPORT OF AUDIT COMMITTEE

(Meeting held on 24 January 2020)

1. **TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2020//21 TO 2022/23 AND TREASURY INDICATORS (Minute No 38)**

Treasury management is the management of the Council's cash flows, borrowing and investments, and the associated risks. The Council has borrowed and invested sums of money and is therefore exposed to financial risks including the loss of invested funds and the revenue effect of changing interest rates. The successful identification, monitoring and control of financial risks are therefore central to the Council's prudent financial management.

Treasury risk management at the Council is conducted within the framework of the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) Code which requires the Council to approve a Treasury Management Strategy Statement (TMSS) before the start of each financial year. The report fulfils the Council's legal obligation under the Local Government Act 2003 to have regard to the CIPFA Code.

The Committee has considered the Council's Treasury Management Strategy Statement 2020/21 to 2022/23, including the Annual Treasury Management Investment Strategy for 2020/21 (and the remainder for 2019/20) and Treasury Indicators for the same period.

Following detailed consideration by the Committee, the policies and approvals sought are:

Treasury Management Strategy Statement

The Treasury Management Strategy Statement sets out how the Council's treasury service will support the capital expenditure and financing decisions taken over the three year period from 2020/21 to 2022/23. The day to day treasury management function and the limitations on activity through treasury indicators are also set out in the statement.

The report had been prepared prior to the finalisation of the Capital Programme for 2020/21 and subsequent years. Therefore, the target indicators may be subject to minor variation. These indicators are targets only and minor adjustments will not be reported.

Any adjustments to the treasury management limits will be reported.

Treasury Management Investment Strategy

Treasury risk management at the Council is conducted within the framework of the CIPFA Treasury Management in Public Services: Code of Practice 2017 Edition (the CIPFA Code). The report fulfils the Council's legal obligation under the Local Government Act 2003 to have regard to the CIPFA Code.

The Treasury Management Investment Strategy sets out the Council's criteria for choosing investment counterparties and limiting exposure to the risk of loss.

This Strategy is shown in Annex A in Section 5. The above policies and parameters provide an approved framework within which officers undertake the day to day treasury activities.

This Strategy aims to strike a balance between allowing for current investment levels to continue, whilst also considering the Council's intention to directly invest in both commercial and residential property.

RECOMMENDED:

- (a) ***That the Treasury Management Strategy 2020/21 to 2022/23, including the Annual Treasury Management Investment Strategy for 2020/21 (and the remainder for 2019/20) and the Treasury Indicators contained within Annex A of Audit Committee Report 6 to the Audit Committee agenda, be approved;***
- (b) ***That authority be delegated to the Section 151 Officer, who in turn delegates to Hampshire County Council's Director of Corporate Resources, as agreed in the Service Level Agreement, to manage all Council investments (other than the high yield investment portfolio) and borrowing according to the Treasury Management Strategy Statement, as appropriate.***

2. INVESTMENT STRATEGY 2020/21 (Minute No 39)

The Committee also considered the Investment Strategy for 2020/21, which the Council must produce to comply with statutory guidance.

The Investment Strategy incorporates all of the Council's investment activities, which consist of:

- **Treasury Management Investments** (see Item 1 above)
- **Commercial Investments**

The Commercial Investments section of the Strategy brings together the accumulation of property investment strategies that have been adopted by this Council.

The Strategy considers the contribution made by these investments, the security, the risk assessment process and liquidity.

The Strategy also sets out various performance indicators, designed to assist the reader to understand the implications of the Council's investing activities on the General Fund, and the forecast yields expected from the differing investment categories.

The Committee noted that the dates with Table 3 of the Investment Strategy needed to be updated.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Investment Strategy 2020/21 as set out in Appendix 1 of Audit Committee Report 7 to the Audit Committee agenda, be approved, subject to the dates within Table 3 being updated.

**CLLR A O'SULLIVAN
CHAIRMAN**

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REPORT OF HR COMMITTEE

(Meeting held on 30 January 2020)

1. PAY POLICY STATEMENT (MINUTE NO 25)

The Committee has considered and supports the proposed Pay Policy Statement 2020/21.

The Localism Act 2011 requires Councils to prepare a pay policy statement each financial year. The statement must set out the Council's policies for the financial year relating to the remuneration of its Chief Officers, the remuneration of its lowest paid employees and the relationship between the remuneration of its Chief Officers and other employees.

The National Pay Award for 2020-21 is being negotiated nationally, and once agreed the Pay Policy statement for this financial year will be updated.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Pay Policy Statement 2020-21 as set out in Appendix 1 of Agenda item 5 to the HR Committee, be approved.

**COUNCILLOR B RICKMAN
CHAIRMAN**

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REPORT OF THE ENVIRONMENT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL

(Meeting held on 9 January 2020)

1. FIREWORKS MOTION

The Environment Overview and Scrutiny Panel, having discussed and considered the motion from Cllr Hoare on fireworks, is reporting back to Council. The Panel understood the reasons behind the motion in that residents had been frustrated at the frequent use of fireworks and the impact they had. A ban on fireworks was not suggested.

Members discussed the motion and agreed that the use of fireworks was a sensitive issue and that awareness should be raised. The Panel agreed to recommend the motion to Council for adoption, subject to a change to the wording of bullet point (c) to “request” rather than require the advertising of firework displays in advance. It was also agreed that bullet point (d) be expanded to include Hampshire Fire and Rescue, Hampshire Constabulary and Trading Standards.

The Panel suggested a Task and Finish Group be set up to consider the amended motion, inviting relevant stakeholders to consider a joint and integrated approach, in particular regarding the promotion of public awareness.

RECOMMENDED:

- (i) ***That the Environment Overview and Scrutiny Panel advise the Council that it is supportive of the following amended motion:***

We live in a unique part of the world and as such we have unique problems and challenges when trying to protect not just our wildlife and pets, but the ponies, cattle and pigs who freely roam the forest. These are an integral part of our history and culture, the animals are people’s stock and livelihood. Fireworks can cause many problems for animals, not just from the noise, but from the debris of spent rockets which land within the forest, countryside and gardens which can cause severe distress or even death, if eaten.

Within the NFDC area there are also many people for whom fireworks are a source of distress, for example, the elderly, ex-service men and women and those who are vulnerable due to mental or physical challenges.

To this end the Council resolves to:

- (a) ***Engage with Government and local Members of Parliament to seek greater national regulation with regard to private and organised firework displays.***
- (b) ***Actively promote a public awareness campaign within the District about the impact of fireworks on animal welfare and vulnerable people, including precautions that can be taken to mitigate this.***
- (c) ***To request all public firework displays within (and encourage those just outside) the District to be advertised in advance of the event, allowing residents to take precautions for their animals and vulnerable people.***
- (d) ***To work with the NFNPA, Forestry England and Hampshire County Council (including HCC Trading Standards and any other relevant***

services), Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service and Hampshire Constabulary for a joint and integrated approach.

- (ii) That the Panel recommend to Council that a Task and Finish Group be set up with key stakeholders, as detailed in (d) of the motion to consider a joint and integrated approach.**

**COUNCILLOR STEVE RIPPON-SWAIN
CHAIRMAN, ENVIRONMENT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL**

COUNCIL – 24 FEBRUARY 2020

THE 2020/21 COUNCIL TAX

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Members are required to calculate and set the Council Tax for 2020/21.
- 1.2 The level of tax is determined by the spending needs of this Council, Hampshire County Council, the Police and Crime Commissioner for Hampshire, Hampshire Fire and Rescue Authority and the Town and Parish Councils. Although the District Council has no control over the expenditure of the other organisations, it has to ensure that the Council Tax is set at the right level to meet the combined budgets.
- 1.3 Members will have considered earlier in this agenda the recommended General Fund revenue budget for 2020/21, which is outlined in Section 3 below. Any changes made at that stage could change the Council Tax figures shown in this report.
- 1.4 The recommended Council Tax for every District Council area is shown in paragraph 10.6 of this report.
- # 1.5 Appendix 1 attached to this report supplements the prescribed layout of the recommendations by showing how the figures used in paragraph 10.3 have been arrived at.

2. THE 2020/21 COUNCIL TAX BILL

- 2.1 This report recommends a Council Tax level of £1,836.35 for 2020/21. This is an average figure based on a band 'D' property and is an increase of £71.03 (4.02%) over the equivalent figure for 2019/20.
- # 2.2 Each dwelling falls into one of eight valuation bands (A to H) for tax purposes. More details are given in Appendix 2.
- 2.3 The tax level is based upon the 2020/21 budgets of all precepting authorities in this area. The District, County Council, Police and Crime Commissioner and Fire and Rescue Authority elements of the total tax bill are the same throughout the area but the Town/Parish Councils each determine their own tax levels. There are 8 bands of Council Tax for each of the 37 Town/Parish areas, giving 296 separate tax figures.

- 2.4 If the recommendations in this report are accepted there will be a range of Band D Council Tax levies from £1,745.16 to £1,877.67. The average figures are as follows :-

	2019/20	2020/21	INCREASE	
	AVERAGE £	AVERAGE £	£	%
New Forest District Council	173.36	178.36	5.00	2.88
Hampshire County Council	1,236.87	1,286.28	49.41	3.99
Police and Crime Commissioner for Hampshire	201.46	211.46	10.00	4.96
Hampshire Fire and Rescue Authority	67.71	69.06	1.35	1.99
	1,679.40	1,745.16	65.76	3.92
Parish/Town Councils	85.92	91.19	5.27	6.13
	1,765.32	1,836.35	71.03	4.02

- 2.5 The proposed 2020/21 Council Tax for all areas is shown in paragraph 10.5 of this report.
- 2.6 There is a discount of 25% where only one adult lives in a dwelling, reductions for disabled persons whose homes have certain facilities, and a Council Tax Reduction scheme for persons with low incomes.
- 2.7 Council Tax bills can be payable by instalments from 1 April. The date of the first instalment only may have to be delayed slightly to ensure that there is a statutory period of 14 days between the date the bills are issued and the date the first payment becomes due.
- 2.8 The council tax leaflet will be provided in electronic form this year but a paper version of the leaflet will be provided on request.

3. NEW FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

- 3.1 The proposed 2020/21 General Fund budget requirement, elsewhere on this agenda, totals £19,194,110. After deducting retained Business Rates, Government support and collection fund adjustments of £6,442,650, the District Council needs to raise £12,751,460 through Council Tax. This would require a District Council Tax of £178.36 for a Band D property, which means there is an increase of £5.00 (2.88%) over the equivalent figure for 2019/20.

4. HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

- 4.1 Hampshire County Council met on the 13 February 2020 and set its precept upon this Council at £91,959,887. This results in a Band D Council Tax of £1,286.28, which represents an increase of £49.41 (3.99%) over the equivalent 2019/20 figure.

5. POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR HAMPSHIRE AUTHORITY

- 5.1 The Police and Crime Commissioner for Hampshire set a precept of £15,117,888 upon this Council. This results in a Band D Council Tax of £211.46, which represents an increase of £10.00 (4.96%) over the equivalent 2019/20 figure.

6. HAMPSHIRE FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY

- 6.1 Hampshire Fire and Rescue Authority met on the 19 February 2020 and set its precept upon this Council at £4,937,300. This results in a Band D Council Tax of £69.06, which represents an increase of £1.35 (1.99%) over the equivalent 2019/20 figure.

7. TOWN AND PARISH COUNCILS

- # 7.1 The Town and Parish Council precepts (Council Tax Requirements) for 2020/21 are detailed in Appendix 3 and total £6,519,120. This is an increase of £412,666 from 2019/20 and results in an average Band D Council Tax for 2020/21 of £91.19, an increase of £5.27 (6.13%) from 2019/20.

8. CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1 There are no crime and disorder implications arising directly from this report.

9. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 There are no environmental implications arising directly from this report.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS

The Council is recommended to resolve:

- 10.1 That it be noted that on 4 December 2019 the Council calculated the Council Tax Base for the year 2020/21:

- (a) for the whole Council area as 71,492.90 [Item T in the formula in Section 31B(1) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended (the "Act")]; and
 - (b) for dwellings in those parts of its area to which a Parish precept relates as in the attached Appendix 3.
- 10.2 To calculate that the Council Tax requirement for the Council's own purposes for 2020/21 (excluding Parish Precepts) is £12,751,460.
- 10.3 That the following amounts be calculated for the year 2020/21 in accordance with Sections 31A, 31B and 34 to 36 of the Local Government and Finance Act 1992 as amended by the Localism Act 2011: -
- (a) £139,128,060 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.
 - (b) £119,857,480 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3) of the Act.
 - (c) £19,270,580 being the amount by which the aggregate at 10.3(a) above exceeds the aggregate at 10.3(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(1) of the Act).
 - (d) £269.55 being the amount at 10.3(c) above (Item R), all divided by the Council Tax Base, Item T (10.1(a) above), calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31B(1) of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year (including Parish precepts).
 - (e) £6,519,120 being the aggregate amount of all special items (Parish precepts) referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act (as per the attached Appendix 4).
 - (f) £178.36 being the amount at 10.3(d) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 10.3(e) above by Item T (10.1(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 specifically for the District Council. There are no non-parished areas.

(g)

LOCAL COUNCIL AREA	£
ASHURST & COLBURY	219.86
BEAULIEU	193.78
BOLDRE	204.91
BRAMSHAW	201.56
BRANSGORE	236.72
BREAMORE	209.08
BROCKENHURST	220.85
BURLEY	195.34
COPYTHORNE	197.23
DAMERHAM	218.61
DENNY LODGE	214.25
EAST BOLDRE	217.48
ELLINGHAM HARBRIDGE & IBSLEY	209.61
EXBURY & LEPE	178.36
FAWLEY	306.00
FORDINGBRIDGE	288.71
GODSHILL	226.98
HALE	230.14
HORDLE	226.56
HYDE	201.43
HYPHE & DIBDEN	289.67
LYMINGTON & PENNINGTON	286.33
LYNDHURST	246.93
MARCHWOOD	295.07
MARTIN	215.61
MILFORD-ON-SEA	220.40
MINSTEAD	208.90
NETLEY MARSH	201.94
NEW MILTON	285.68
RINGWOOD	275.32
ROCKBOURNE	252.21
SANDLEHEATH	207.48
SOPLEY	242.02
SWAY	221.42
TOTTON & ELING	310.87
WHITSBURY	196.02
WOODGREEN	211.97

being the amounts given by adding to the amount at 10.3(f) above the amounts of the special item or items relating to dwellings in those parts of the Council's area mentioned above divided in each case by the amount at 10.1(b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 34(3) of the Act, as the basic amounts of its Council Tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate.

(h) These are the District plus Town/Parish Council elements only.
See below and page 8 for the full amounts of Council Tax.

LOCAL COUNCIL AREA	A £	B £	C £	D £	E £	F £	G £	H £
ASHURST & COLBURY	146.58	171.00	195.43	219.86	268.72	317.58	366.44	439.72
BEAULIEU	129.19	150.72	172.25	193.78	236.84	279.91	322.97	387.56
BOLDRE	136.61	159.38	182.14	204.91	250.44	295.99	341.52	409.82
BRAMSHAW	134.38	156.77	179.17	201.56	246.35	291.15	335.94	403.12
BRANSGORE	157.82	184.12	210.42	236.72	289.32	341.93	394.54	473.44
BREAMORE	139.39	162.62	185.85	209.08	255.54	302.01	348.47	418.16
BROCKENHURST	147.24	171.77	196.31	220.85	269.93	319.01	368.09	441.70
BURLEY	130.23	151.93	173.64	195.34	238.75	282.16	325.57	390.68
COPYTHORNE	131.49	153.40	175.32	197.23	241.06	284.89	328.72	394.46
DAMERHAM	145.74	170.03	194.32	218.61	267.19	315.78	364.35	437.22
DENNY LODGE	142.84	166.64	190.45	214.25	261.86	309.48	357.09	428.50
EAST BOLDRE	144.99	169.15	193.32	217.48	265.81	314.14	362.47	434.96
ELLINGHAM HARBRIDGE & IBSLEY	139.74	163.03	186.32	209.61	256.19	302.78	349.35	419.22
EXBURY & LEPE	118.91	138.73	158.54	178.36	217.99	257.64	297.27	356.72
FAWLEY	204.00	238.00	272.00	306.00	374.00	442.01	510.00	612.00
FORDINGBRIDGE	192.48	224.55	256.63	288.71	352.87	417.03	481.19	577.42
GODSHILL	151.32	176.54	201.76	226.98	277.42	327.87	378.30	453.96
HALE	153.43	179.00	204.57	230.14	281.28	332.43	383.57	460.28
HORDLE	151.04	176.22	201.39	226.56	276.90	327.26	377.60	453.12
HYDE	134.29	156.67	179.05	201.43	246.19	290.96	335.72	402.86
HYTHE & DIBDEN	193.12	225.30	257.49	289.67	354.04	418.42	482.79	579.34
LYMINGTON & PENNINGTON	190.89	222.70	254.52	286.33	349.96	413.59	477.22	572.66
LYNDHURST	164.62	192.06	219.49	246.93	301.80	356.68	411.55	493.86
MARCHWOOD	196.72	229.50	262.29	295.07	360.64	426.22	491.79	590.14
MARTIN	143.74	167.70	191.65	215.61	263.52	311.44	359.35	431.22
MILFORD-ON-SEA	146.94	171.42	195.91	220.40	269.38	318.36	367.34	440.80
MINSTEAD	139.27	162.48	185.69	208.90	255.32	301.75	348.17	417.80
NETLEY MARSH	134.63	157.07	179.50	201.94	246.81	291.70	336.57	403.88
NEW MILTON	190.46	222.20	253.94	285.68	349.16	412.65	476.14	571.36
RINGWOOD	183.55	214.14	244.73	275.32	336.50	397.69	458.87	550.64
ROCKBOURNE	168.14	196.17	224.19	252.21	308.25	364.31	420.35	504.42
SANDLEHEATH	138.32	161.38	184.43	207.48	253.58	299.70	345.80	414.96
SOPLEY	161.35	188.24	215.13	242.02	295.80	349.59	403.37	484.04
SWAY	147.62	172.22	196.82	221.42	270.62	319.83	369.04	442.84
TOTTON & ELING	207.25	241.79	276.33	310.87	379.95	449.04	518.12	621.74
WHITSBURY	130.68	152.46	174.24	196.02	239.58	283.15	326.70	392.04
WOODGREEN	141.32	164.87	188.42	211.97	259.07	306.18	353.29	423.94

being the amounts given by multiplying the amounts at 10.3(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.

- 10.4 That it be noted that Hampshire County Council, the Police and Crime Commissioner for Hampshire and the Hampshire Fire and Rescue Authority have issued precepts for 2020/21 to the Council in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each category of dwellings in the Council's area as indicated below:

PRECEPTING AUTHORITY

PRECEPTING AUTHORITY	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL	857.52	1,000.44	1,143.36	1,286.28	1,572.12	1,857.96	2,143.80	2,572.56
POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR HAMPSHIRE AUTHORITY	140.97	164.47	187.96	211.46	258.45	305.44	352.43	422.92
HAMPSHIRE FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY	46.04	53.71	61.39	69.06	84.41	99.75	115.10	138.12
	1,044.53	1,218.62	1,392.71	1,566.80	1,914.98	2,263.15	2,611.33	3,133.60

- 10.5 That the Section 151 Officer be given delegated authority to implement any variation to the overall level of Council Tax arising from the final notification of the Hampshire Fire and Rescue Authority precept.
- 10.6 That, having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at 10.3(h) and 10.4 above, the Council, in accordance with Section 30 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (as amended by the Localism Act 2011), hereby sets the following amounts as the amounts of Council Tax for the year 2020/21 for each part of its area and for each of the categories of dwellings shown on the next page:-

LOCAL COUNCIL AREA	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
ASHURST & COLBURY	1,191.11	1,389.62	1,588.14	1,786.66	2,183.70	2,580.73	2,977.77	3,573.32
BEAULIEU	1,173.72	1,369.34	1,564.96	1,760.58	2,151.82	2,543.06	2,934.30	3,521.16
BOLDRE	1,181.14	1,378.00	1,574.85	1,771.71	2,165.42	2,559.14	2,952.85	3,543.42
BRAMSHAW	1,178.91	1,375.39	1,571.88	1,768.36	2,161.33	2,554.30	2,947.27	3,536.72
BRANSGORE	1,202.35	1,402.74	1,603.13	1,803.52	2,204.30	2,605.08	3,005.87	3,607.04
BREAMORE	1,183.92	1,381.24	1,578.56	1,775.88	2,170.52	2,565.16	2,959.80	3,551.76
BROCKENHURST	1,191.77	1,390.39	1,589.02	1,787.65	2,184.91	2,582.16	2,979.42	3,575.30
BURLEY	1,174.76	1,370.55	1,566.35	1,762.14	2,153.73	2,545.31	2,936.90	3,524.28
COPYTHORNE	1,176.02	1,372.02	1,568.03	1,764.03	2,156.04	2,548.04	2,940.05	3,528.06
DAMERHAM	1,190.27	1,388.65	1,587.03	1,785.41	2,182.17	2,578.93	2,975.68	3,570.82
DENNY LODGE	1,187.37	1,385.26	1,583.16	1,781.05	2,176.84	2,572.63	2,968.42	3,562.10
EAST BOLDRE	1,189.52	1,387.77	1,586.03	1,784.28	2,180.79	2,577.29	2,973.80	3,568.56
ELLINGHAM HARBRIDGE & IBSLEY	1,184.27	1,381.65	1,579.03	1,776.41	2,171.17	2,565.93	2,960.68	3,552.82
EXBURY & LEPE	1,163.44	1,357.35	1,551.25	1,745.16	2,132.97	2,520.79	2,908.60	3,490.32
FAWLEY	1,248.53	1,456.62	1,664.71	1,872.80	2,288.98	2,705.16	3,121.33	3,745.60
FORDINGBRIDGE	1,237.01	1,443.17	1,649.34	1,855.51	2,267.85	2,680.18	3,092.52	3,711.02
GODSHILL	1,195.85	1,395.16	1,594.47	1,793.78	2,192.40	2,591.02	2,989.63	3,587.56
HALE	1,197.96	1,397.62	1,597.28	1,796.94	2,196.26	2,595.58	2,994.90	3,593.88
HORDLE	1,195.57	1,394.84	1,594.10	1,793.36	2,191.88	2,590.41	2,988.93	3,586.72
HYDE	1,178.82	1,375.29	1,571.76	1,768.23	2,161.17	2,554.11	2,947.05	3,536.46
HYPHE & DIBDEN	1,237.65	1,443.92	1,650.20	1,856.47	2,269.02	2,681.57	3,094.12	3,712.94
LYMINGTON & PENNINGTON	1,235.42	1,441.32	1,647.23	1,853.13	2,264.94	2,676.74	3,088.55	3,706.26
LYNDHURST	1,209.15	1,410.68	1,612.20	1,813.73	2,216.78	2,619.83	3,022.88	3,627.46
MARCHWOOD	1,241.25	1,448.12	1,655.00	1,861.87	2,275.62	2,689.37	3,103.12	3,723.74
MARTIN	1,188.27	1,386.32	1,584.36	1,782.41	2,178.50	2,574.59	2,970.68	3,564.82
MILFORD-ON-SEA	1,191.47	1,390.04	1,588.62	1,787.20	2,184.36	2,581.51	2,978.67	3,574.40
MINSTEAD	1,183.80	1,381.10	1,578.40	1,775.70	2,170.30	2,564.90	2,959.50	3,551.40
NETLEY MARSH	1,179.16	1,375.69	1,572.21	1,768.74	2,161.79	2,554.85	2,947.90	3,537.48
NEW MILTON	1,234.99	1,440.82	1,646.65	1,852.48	2,264.14	2,675.80	3,087.47	3,704.96
RINGWOOD	1,228.08	1,432.76	1,637.44	1,842.12	2,251.48	2,660.84	3,070.20	3,684.24
ROCKBOURNE	1,212.67	1,414.79	1,616.90	1,819.01	2,223.23	2,627.46	3,031.68	3,638.02
SANDLEHEATH	1,182.85	1,380.00	1,577.14	1,774.28	2,168.56	2,562.85	2,957.13	3,548.56
SOPLEY	1,205.88	1,406.86	1,607.84	1,808.82	2,210.78	2,612.74	3,014.70	3,617.64
SWAY	1,192.15	1,390.84	1,589.53	1,788.22	2,185.60	2,582.98	2,980.37	3,576.44
TOTTON & ELING	1,251.78	1,460.41	1,669.04	1,877.67	2,294.93	2,712.19	3,129.45	3,755.34
WHITSBURY	1,175.21	1,371.08	1,566.95	1,762.82	2,154.56	2,546.30	2,938.03	3,525.64
WOODGREEN	1,185.85	1,383.49	1,581.13	1,778.77	2,174.05	2,569.33	2,964.62	3,557.54

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APPENDIX 1

SOURCE OF FIGURES SHOWN IN PARAGRAPH 10.3 OF THE REPORT

(a) (b) (c)

For the purposes of the recommendation, the estimated total net revenue expenditure of the Council for 2020/21 has to be shown i.e. including General Fund and Housing Revenue Account (HRA) budgets and Town/Parish Council precepts: -

	Expenditure	Income	Council Tax Requirement
	£	£	£
General Fund	104,409,240	91,657,780	12,751,460
HRA	28,199,700	28,199,700	0
Town/Parish Precept	6,519,120	0	6,519,120
	<u>139,128,060</u>	<u>119,857,480</u>	<u>19,270,580</u>
	(a)	(b)	(c)

(d) This is the combined District Council and Town/Parish Council Tax at Band D: -

	£
District	178.36
Average Town/Parish	91.19
	<u>269.55</u>

(e) £6,519,120 is the total of the Town/Parish Council precepts as shown in Appendix 3.

(f) £178.36 is the District Council Tax at Band D. The sequence of figures in 10.3 (a) to (f) is intended to start from estimated total net 2020/21 expenditure, deduct grants and precepts and arrive at the net District Council Tax figure.

(g) This shows the Combined District and Town/Parish Council Tax for each area at Band D.

(h) Shows the figures in (g) for each valuation band.

APPENDIX 2

VALUATION BANDS

All dwellings have been valued by the Inland Revenue for the purpose of Council Tax. Valuations are based on property prices at April 1991. There are eight valuation bands and each dwelling has been placed into one of these bands according to its assessed value at that time. Band A is the lowest. The higher the band, the higher the charge will be. See the table below: -

BAND	RANGE OF VALUES	PROPORTION
A	Values not exceeding £40,000	£1.00
B	Values exceeding £40,000 but not exceeding £52,000	£1.17
C	Values exceeding £52,000 but not exceeding £68,000	£1.33
D	Values exceeding £68,000 but not exceeding £88,000	£1.50
E	Values exceeding £88,000 but not exceeding £120,000	£1.83
F	Values exceeding £120,000 but not exceeding £160,000	£2.17
G	Values exceeding £160,000 but not exceeding £320,000	£2.50
H	Values exceeding £320,000	£3.00

For every £1.00 of Council Tax for a band 'A' property, a band 'B' property will be charged £1.17 - and so on. Any discounts and reductions would make the difference less than this.

Taxpayers in band 'A' who fulfil the criteria for a reduction under the Disability Reduction Regulations will receive a reduction on their bill equivalent to the difference between the band 'A' and band 'B' charge.

APPENDIX 3

SUMMARY OF LOCAL COUNCIL REQUIREMENTS

LOCAL COUNCIL	2020/21			
	COUNCIL	TAX BASE	COUNCIL	COUNCIL
	TAX		TAX PER	TAX
	REQUIREMENT		BAND D	INC. / (-) DEC.
	£	PROPERTIES	£	FROM
				2019/20
				£
ASHURST AND COLBURY	38,614	930.50	41.50	2.11
BEAULIEU	8,000	518.80	15.42	-0.10
BOLDRE	28,466	1,072.20	26.55	0.58
BRAMSHAW	8,000	344.80	23.20	2.05
BRANGSORE	106,800	1,829.90	58.36	0.54
BREAMORE	5,566	181.20	30.72	2.99
BROCKENHURST	79,610	1,873.40	42.49	0.00
BURLEY	13,467	793.00	16.98	-0.02
COPYTHORNE	23,016	1,219.70	18.87	1.64
DAMERHAM	9,647	239.70	40.25	2.31
DENNY LODGE	5,660	157.70	35.89	0.11
EAST BOLDRE	15,000	383.40	39.12	-0.57
ELLINGHAM HARBRIDGE AND IBSLEY	19,175	613.60	31.25	-0.15
EXBURY AND LEPE	0	110.80	0.00	0.00
FAWLEY	586,718	4,596.50	127.64	6.51
FORDINGBRIDGE	254,322	2,304.60	110.35	9.14
GODSHILL	10,871	223.60	48.62	2.41
HALE	13,790	266.30	51.78	5.30
HORDLE	116,744	2,422.20	48.20	2.79
HYDE	11,800	511.40	23.07	3.72
HYTHE AND DIBDEN	830,198	7,458.10	111.31	9.78
LYMINGTON AND PENNINGTON	806,665	7,470.90	107.97	2.49
LYNDHURST	100,000	1,458.40	68.57	6.91
MARCHWOOD	241,525	2,069.40	116.71	-0.01
MARTIN	7,410	198.90	37.25	0.30
MILFORD-ON-SEA	119,427	2,841.00	42.04	3.55
MINSTEAD	11,500	376.50	30.54	2.53
NETLEY MARSH	19,080	809.30	23.58	1.41
NEW MILTON	1,130,212	10,531.30	107.32	12.48
RINGWOOD	519,907	5,362.00	96.96	2.82
ROCKBOURNE	12,333	167.00	73.85	-1.63
SANDLEHEATH	8,153	280.00	29.12	0.67
SOPLEY	25,000	392.70	63.66	1.69
SWAY	73,364	1,703.80	43.06	4.21
TOTTON AND ELING	1,248,700	9,423.10	132.51	3.68
WHITSBURY	1,800	101.90	17.66	0.01
WOODGREEN	8,580	255.30	33.61	2.23
	6,519,120	71,492.90	91.19	

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