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Agenda

Name of meeting	FULL COUNCIL
Date	WEDNESDAY, 25 FEBRUARY 2015
Time	5.00 PM
Venue	COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNTY HALL, NEWPORT, ISLE OF WIGHT
Members of the Committee	All Members of the Council

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PRAYERS led by Revd Chris Feak

1. **Minutes**

To approve as a correct record and to sign the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 21 January 2015 ([Paper A](#))

2. **[Declarations of Interest](#)**

To invite Members to declare any interest they might have in the matters on the agenda.

3. **To deal with any questions from members of the public - a maximum of up to 15 minutes for written questions, with up to a further 15 minutes for oral questions.**

Questions may be asked without notice but to guarantee a full reply at the meeting, the question must be delivered in writing or by electronic mail to Democratic Services no later than 5.00 pm on Monday, 23 February 2015. The [Procedure for asking oral questions](#) is set out below.



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4. [Chairman's report, official announcements, communications and correspondence for the Council.](#)
5. **Medium-Term Budget Strategy 2015/16 to 2016/17 and Council Tax Setting 2015/16**

To consider the following matter as recommended by the Executive at its meeting on the 10 February 2015 :

1. THAT the following be agreed:
 - (a) Considers the Equality Impact Assessments set out in Appendix K and Appendix O to this report and considers whether the budget proposals are consistent with these and that any potential adverse impacts are understood and that appropriate mitigating actions are proposed to be taken. Recommends to Council that it also considers all of these when making its decisions.
 - (b) Considers the outcome of budget consultation set out in Appendix J and the consultation on the review of charges on the Cowes ferry set out at Appendix O.
 - (c) Considers the overall financial and budget position facing the Council in 2015/16 and 2016/17 and **recommends to Full Council** on 25 February 2015 an overall budget and Council Tax strategy and in particular to agree:
 - (i) The vision and priorities set out in Appendix A
 - (ii) The overall structure of the Council set out in Appendix B
 - (iii) The overall Capital Programme as set out in Appendix F to this report;
 - (iv) The Treasury Management Strategy, Investment Strategy, Borrowing Strategy, Minimum Revenue Provision and Prudential Indicators as set out in Appendix L to this report;
 - (v) Not to accept the council tax freeze grant for 2015/16 and to increase the Isle of Wight element of council tax by 1.99%.
 - (vi) To agree the council tax resolutions for 2015/16 as set out in Appendix Q
 - (vii) The schedule of savings set out in Appendix I (A) to this report;
 - (viii) The additional use of reserves and balances in 2015/16 of £2 million.

- (ix) The setting aside from reserves and balances a contingency of £2.07m in respect of any slippage in implementation of savings and any potential match funding or pump priming needed in 2015/16 to facilitate transfer of services to enable them to have a sustainable future from 2016/17 without council funding subject to an achievable service and business plan
 - (x) That the proposed level of fees and charges for 2015/16 as set out in Appendix M are agreed.
 - (xi) That passenger charges be introduced on the Cowes floating bridge as set out in O.
 - (xii) That the service and budget review steering group be tasked with undertaking a continuous process of monitoring the achievement of the 2015/16 and 2016/17 budget savings and monitoring of the achievement of the corporate plan.
 - (xiii) Members approve the transitional business rate relief scheme, to be included in the Council's Discretionary Rate Relief Policy as an addendum as set out in Appendix P.
2. Recommends to council, in the event that all precepts are not notified by the time of the council meeting on 25 February 2015 that they agree to set up a council tax setting committee with the delegated authority to consider and approve the overall budget requirement and level of council tax for 2015/16 being that element agreed by council for the Isle of Wight council for 2015/16 plus the notified police precept plus the notified parish and town council precepts.

The report of the Leader of the Council and Executive Member for Resources as submitted to the Executive on Tuesday, 10 February 2015 is attached at [Paper B](#).

Amendment to Executive budget recommendations submitted by UKIP are attached [here](#).

Amendment to Executive budget recommendations submitted by the Labour Party are attached [here](#).

Amendment to Executive budget recommendations submitted by the Conservative Party are attached [here](#).

Amendment to Executive budget recommendations submitted by the Sandown Independents are attached [here](#).

Amendment to Executive budget recommendations submitted by Cllr Julia Baker-Smith are attached [here](#).

6. **Establishment of a Local Fire Fighters Pension Board** ([Paper C](#))

7. **Executive:**

Executive Members to present a written report, and answer written and oral questions on budget or policy:

- (i) [The Leader and Executive Member for Children's Services](#) (Cllr Jonathan Bacon)
- (ii) [Deputy Leader and Executive Member for Adult Social Care and Community Wellbeing](#) (Cllr Steve Stubbings)
- (iii) [Executive Member for Public Protection and PFI](#) (Cllr Phil Jordan)
- (iv) [Executive Member for Economy and Tourism](#) (Cllr Shirley Smart)
- (v) [Executive Member for Sustainability, Environment and Public Realm](#) (Cllr Luisa Hillard)
- (vi) [Executive Member for Resources](#) (Cllr Ian Stephens)
- (vii) [Executive Member for Planning and Licensing](#) (Cllr Paul Fuller)
- (viii) [Executive Member for Organisational Change and Human Resources](#) (Cllr Gordon Kendall)

To guarantee a full reply Members must submit a question in writing or by electronic mail to Democratic Services no later than 5.00 pm on Tuesday, 24 February 2015. A further period of 10 Minutes will be allowed for oral questions to each Executive Member.

8. **Report of the Scrutiny Committee Chairman**

The Chairman of Scrutiny, Councillor Dave Stewart, to present his written report, and answer written and oral questions on budget or policy.

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17 February 2015