

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
RECORD OF DECISIONS

Date/Time of Meeting	In attendance	Also in attendance	Apologies	Declarations of Interest		
				Executive	Other	Officers
19 th February 2020 From 6.30 pm to 7.20 pm	Councillor Russell Roberts (Leader) Councillor Lloyd Bunday (Finance) Councillor Mark Dearing (Regeneration) Councillor Scott Edwards (Community, Leisure and Youth) Councillor David Howes (Rural) Councillor Ian Jelley (Strategic Delivery and Environment) Councillor Mark Rowley (Housing and Communications)	The Mayor (Cllr Keli Watts) Cllr June Derbyshire Cllr Anne Lee Cllr Clark Mitchell Cllr Mick Scrimshaw Cllr Shirley Stanton Cllr Mike Tebbutt	Cllr Lesley Thurland (Deputy Leader)	None	None	None

IMPORTANT NOTE

PLEASE NOTE: Decisions will become effective after 5.30 pm on 4th March 2020 unless a request to call-in the decision has been made by then. Urgent items are exempt from call-in.

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Minute No.	Forward Plan Ref No. <i>(if applicable)</i>	Agenda Item	MINUTES
19.EX.53	-	3	
RESOLVED			That the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 10 th January 2020 be approved and signed as a correct record.

Minute No.	Forward Plan Ref No. <i>(if applicable)</i>	Agenda Item	WORK PROGRAMME
19.EX.58	-	9	
RESOLVED			The Council's draft work programme to be published on 20 th February 2020 be noted.

Minute No.	Forward Plan Ref No. <i>(if applicable)</i>	Agenda Item	KETTERING TOWN CENTRE FOOTFALL AND DWELL TIME IMPROVEMENT
19.EX.59	A19/036	14	
SPEAKER		Councillor Mick Scrimshaw	
RESOLVED		<p>That:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the findings from the consultation conducted to date with members of the public and local stakeholders be noted; (ii) Option C (No charges after 3.00 p.m. Monday-Thursday) be recommended to Council as the Executive's preferred option; (iii) the preferred option be implemented within the Council owned car parks for a pilot period of one year, with a review report considered after nine months; and (iv) reserves be used to fund the preferred option, as outlined in Paragraph 7, Table 1 of the report. 	
REASONS		<p>Reviewing the car parks reflects the Council's ongoing commitment to supporting a thriving and dynamic town centre.</p> <p>As stated within the Constitution (<i>Part 3 Responsibility for Functions, Page C5</i>), the Executive Committee has the responsibility for a decision "To set the level of fees and charges for council housing and car parking."</p>	
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED		<p>Option A Do nothing</p> <p>Option B This option would reach a wider demographic and could support and encourage working families to access the town. It could support and encourage an increase in dwell time by providing free parking. There could be however a negative impact by which people would park and utilise other out of town shopping destinations accessed by rail (such as London, Bedford, Leicester).</p> <p>Option D Two hours' free parking across the board (as suggested at the meeting by Councillor Scrimshaw). It was felt this option would be too costly to implement, requiring technical changes to the existing systems.</p>	

Minute No.	Forward Plan Ref No. <i>(if applicable)</i>	Agenda Item	DRAFT BUDGET PROPOSALS 2020/21: GENERAL FUND, CAPITAL PROGRAMME AND HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT																																													
19.EX.60	A19/033	10																																														
RESOLVED			<p>That the Executive Committee:</p> <p>(a) approve the debt write off (as detailed in section 9.2 of the report);</p> <p>(b) receive the comments received from the consultation process (to date) as detailed at Appendix B of the report;</p> <p>(c) approve that the average weekly council house rent be increased by 2.7% to £80.96 (on a 52 week year) for 2020/21 (effective from 6th April 2020).</p> <p>That the Executive RECOMMEND to Council:-</p> <p>(a) the Revised General Fund Budget (2019/20) and Draft General Fund Budget for (2020/21) – as detailed at Appendix A – Section 1*- as amended for item 14;</p> <p>(b) the following Council Tax levels for 2020/21 in relation to Kettering Borough Council and the associated Medium-Term Financial Forecast;</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="526 678 1780 941"> <thead> <tr> <th>Band</th> <th>A</th> <th>B *</th> <th>C</th> <th>D</th> <th>E</th> <th>F</th> <th>G</th> <th>H</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Annual</td> <td>£136.93</td> <td>£159.75</td> <td>£182.57</td> <td>£205.39</td> <td>£251.03</td> <td>£296.67</td> <td>£342.32</td> <td>£410.78</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Weekly</td> <td>£2.63</td> <td>£3.07</td> <td>£3.51</td> <td>£3.95</td> <td>£4.83</td> <td>£5.70</td> <td>£6.58</td> <td>£7.90</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Increase per week (pence)</td> <td>0p</td> <td>0p</td> <td>0p</td> <td>0p</td> <td>0p</td> <td>0p</td> <td>0p</td> <td>0p</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Increase</td> <td>0.00%</td> <td>0.00%</td> <td>0.00%</td> <td>0.00%</td> <td>0.00%</td> <td>0.00%</td> <td>0.00%</td> <td>0.00%</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>* Represents the average level of the household bill within the District</p> <p>(c) The Housing Revenue Account Estimates for 2020/21 – as detailed at Appendix A - Section 2*; and</p> <p>(d) The Capital Programme (2019 - 2025) – as detailed at Appendix A - Section 3*</p> <p><i>* Please note that these references to Appendix A refer to the 'Draft Budget Booklet – 2020/21) that was circulated as Appendix A to the January Budget report to the Executive Committee on 15 January 2020. A copy of these papers can be found at https://www.kettering.gov.uk/meetings/meeting/1804/executive_committee</i></p>	Band	A	B *	C	D	E	F	G	H	Annual	£136.93	£159.75	£182.57	£205.39	£251.03	£296.67	£342.32	£410.78	Weekly	£2.63	£3.07	£3.51	£3.95	£4.83	£5.70	£6.58	£7.90	Increase per week (pence)	0p	0p	0p	0p	0p	0p	0p	0p	Increase	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
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REASONS			To reconsider the main budget issues and drivers and consider their impact on the medium term; make budget recommendations to full Council, including the recommended level of council tax for 2020/21; formally approve the level of council house rents that will be charged for 2020/21; and recommend two debts for write off in accordance with the Council's constitution																																													
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Minute No.	Forward Plan Ref No. <i>(if applicable)</i>	Agenda Item	TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY
19.EX.61	A19/034	11	
RESOLVED	<p>That:</p> <p>(a) the Treasury Management Policy Statement as detailed in Appendix A of the report be approved;</p> <p>(b) the Annual Treasury Management Strategy as detailed in Appendix B of the report be approved; and</p> <p>(c) it be RECOMMENDED to Council that the Prudential and Treasury Indicators be approved as detailed in Appendix B of the report.</p>		
REASONS	To comply with the requirements of best practice and refer the Prudential and Treasury Indicators to Council for approval		
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED	None.		

Minute No.	Forward Plan Ref No. <i>(if applicable)</i>	Agenda Item	CAPITAL STRATEGY 2020/21
19.EX.62	A19/030	12	
SPEAKER	Councillor Anne Lee		
RECOMMENDED	That the Capital Strategy, as detailed in Appendix A of the report, be approved		
REASONS	The Prudential Code introduced a requirement for all local authorities to produce an annual Capital Strategy to outline the Council's approach to Non-Treasury investment decisions.		
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED	<p>None.</p> <p>An option "giving priority to local suppliers to boost the local economy and having regard to climate change", as suggested by the Speaker at the meeting, would be investigated prior to consideration of the Capital Strategy by Council.</p>		

Minute No.	Forward Plan Ref No. <i>(if applicable)</i>	Agenda Item	KETTERING TOWN CENTRE TASK & FINISH GROUP – TIMELINE
19.EX.63	A19/039	12	
SPEAKERS		Councillor Mick Scrimshaw Councillor Anne Lee	
RESOLVED		That: (a) the timeline update report as set out in Section 2.1 Table 1 of the report be approved; (b) the observations outlined within section 3.2 Table 2 of the report be noted; and (c) it be recognised that there are other towns and villages in the borough that could benefit from a similar review.	
REASONS		Any investment in the initiatives recommended align within the implementation of the Town Centre Delivery Plan 2018-2025, and relate to and be delivered in accordance with the Local Area Action Plan and Town Centre Area Appraisal	
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED		None.	

Minute No.	Forward Plan Ref No. <i>(if applicable)</i>	Agenda Item	DOMESTIC ABUSE POLICY <i>(Item referred from the Research and Development Committee)</i>
19.EX.64	A19/037	15	
SPEAKER		Councillor Anne Lee	
RESOLVED		That the new Domestic Abuse Policy be adopted.	
REASONS		This policy supports all other policies within Housing where the tenant is a victim of domestic abuse. The policy supports and complements the Countywide Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Strategy 2019-2022.	
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED		None.	

Minute No.	Forward Plan Ref No. <i>(if applicable)</i>	Agenda Item	PET POLICY <i>(Item referred from the Research and Development Committee)</i>
19.EX.65	A19/038	16	
SPEAKER		Councillor Clark Mitchell	
RESOLVED		That the new Pet Policy be adopted.	
REASONS		The Council has approximately 3,800 homes within its management and a key priority is tenancy sustainment, allowing tenants and residents peaceful enjoyment of their homes. By having a robust pet policy, a proactive neighbourhood management team, and stringent and transparent processes supporting responsible pet ownership, our communities will continue to be places where tenants want to live. The Pet Policy is consistent with the Tenancy Agreement and the Anti-social Behaviour Policy.	
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED		None.	