

13 February 2017

Committee	Council
Date	Tuesday, 21 February 2017
Time of Meeting	6:00 pm
Venue	Council Chamber

ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL ARE REQUESTED TO ATTEND



**for Sara J Freckleton
Borough Solicitor**

Agenda

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
- 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Pursuant to the adoption by the Council on 26 June 2012 of the Tewkesbury Borough Council Code of Conduct, effective from 1 July 2012, as set out in Minute No. CL.34, Members are invited to declare any interest they may have in the business set out on the Agenda to which the approved Code applies.



3. MINUTES

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To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 24 January 2017 and of the Extraordinary meeting held on 31 January 2017.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

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2. To receive any announcements from the Chair of the Meeting and/or the Chief Executive.

5. ITEMS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

- a) To receive any questions, deputations or petitions submitted under Council Rule of Procedure.12.

(The deadline for public participation submissions for this meeting is 15 February 2017).

- b) To receive any petitions submitted under the Council's Petitions Scheme.

6. MEMBER QUESTIONS PROPERLY SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULES

To receive any questions submitted under Rule of Procedure 13. Any items received will be circulated on 21 February 2017.

(Any questions must be submitted in writing to Democratic Services by, not later than, 10.00am on the working day immediately preceding the date of the meeting).

7. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Council is asked to consider and determine recommendations of a policy nature arising from the Executive Committee as follows:-

(a) Budget 2017/18

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At its meeting on 1 February 2017 the Executive Committee considered the 2017/18 budget and **RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL** that:

1. a net budget of £9,913,693 be **APPROVED**;
2. a Band D Council Tax of £109.36, an increase of £5.00 per annum, be **APPROVED**;
3. the use of New Homes Bonus, as proposed in Paragraph 3.8 of the report, be **APPROVED**;
4. the Capital Programme, as proposed in Appendix A to the report, be **APPROVED**;
5. the Capital Prudential Indicators, as proposed in Appendix B to the report, be **APPROVED**;
6. the annual Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) statement, as contained in Appendix B to the report, be **APPROVED**; and
7. the 2017/18 Treasury Management Strategy, as proposed in Appendix C to the report, be **APPROVED**.

(NB: Please remember that, in line with the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2014, decisions on the budget MUST be a recorded vote).

8. COUNCIL TAX 2017/18

The Council is asked to formally set the Council Tax for 2017/18.

(A report will be circulated at the meeting)

(NB: Please remember that, in line with the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2014, decisions on the budget MUST be a recorded vote).

9. MOTION - WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE

Councillor R A Bird will propose and Councillor Mrs K J Berry will second that:

Customer Focused Service is one of the highest priorities for Tewkesbury Borough Council, and the Council Plan sets out our objectives to achieve this commitment. 'Puts Customers First' is one of our Council Values.

Tewkesbury Borough Council's current waste collection service is the best in Gloucestershire in meeting the demands of residents, and achieves our Customer Service ethos.

Tewkesbury Borough Council is committed to maintaining the existing minimum service standard of:

- 1) bi-weekly residual waste (Green Bin) collections, to ensure that our customers receive an effective, hygienic rate of waste removal;
- 2) current large capacity residual waste bins (our existing standard), to ensure that customers are not in danger of having insufficient storage capacity, particularly where they might miss a collection; and
- 3) co-mingled recycling (Blue Bin) collections, the simplest recycling service currently available, and an effective encouragement to recycling.

We welcome the attempts of the Joint Waste Committee to seek efficiencies in waste management across Gloucestershire through standardisation, providing these do not reduce in any way the minimum customer service standards listed above, which would be contrary to our Customer Service ethos and our Council Plan.

10. SEPARATE BUSINESS

The Chairman will move the adoption of the following resolution:

That under Section 100(A)(4) Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded for the following items on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

11. SEPARATE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Council is asked to consider and determine separate recommendations of a policy nature arising from the Executive Committee as follows:-

(a) Revenues and Benefits Restructure

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(Exempt – Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 – Information relating to any individual)

At its meeting on 1 February 2017 the Executive Committee considered a report detailing a restructure of the Council's Revenues and Benefits Service and made a recommendation to Council thereon.

(b) Public Services Centre Refurbishment

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(Exempt –Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 –Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information))

At its meeting on 1 February 2017 the Executive Committee considered a report detailing a proposal to refurbish the Public Services Centre and made a recommendation to Council thereon.

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