

THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE CITY & COUNTY OF CARDIFF

The County Council of the City & County of Cardiff met at County Hall, Cardiff on 25 February 2016 to transact the business set out in the Council summons dated Friday, 19 February 2016.

Present: County Councillor Walker (Lord Mayor)

County Councillors Ali Ahmed, Dilwar Ali, Aubrey, Bale, Bowden, Boyle, Bradbury, Bridges, Burfoot, Carter, Chaundy, Clark, Richard Cook, Cowan, Kirsty Davies-Warner, Chris Davis, De'Ath, Derbyshire, Elsmore, Evans, Ford, Goddard, Goodway, Gordon, Graham, Groves, Hill-John, Hinchey, Holden, Howells, Hudson, Hunt, Hyde, Keith Jones, Margaret Jones, Kelloway, Knight, Lent, Lloyd, Lomax, Marshall, McEvoy, McGarry, McKerlich, Merry, Michael, Mitchell, Murphy, Parry, Patel, Phillips, David Rees, Dianne Rees, Robson, Sanders, Simmons, Stubbs, Thomas, Ben Thomas, Graham Thomas, Lynda Thorne, Walsh, Weaver, White, Wild, Darren Williams and Woodman

151 : APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors Ralph Cook, Govier and Javed.

152 : DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Lord Mayor reminded Members of their responsibility under Article 10 of the Members' Code of Conduct to declare any interest, & to complete Personal Interest forms, at the commencement of the item of business.

The following declarations were made en-bloc in relation to Item 7 Budget Proposals 2016/17:

(a) Members In Receipt of Remuneration 2015/16

Members entitled to Basic Salary

1. Cllr Ali Ahmed
2. Cllr Manzoor Ahmed
3. Cllr Gareth Aubrey
4. Cllr Fenella Bowden
5. Cllr Joe Boyle
6. Cllr Ed Bridges
7. Cllr Tricia Burfoot
8. Cllr Joseph Carter
9. Cllr Paul Chaundy
10. Cllr Jayne Cowan
11. Cllr Kirsty Davies
12. Cllr Chris Davis
13. Cllr Jonathan Evans
14. Cllr Lisa Ford
15. Cllr Susan Goddard

16. Cllr Russell Goodway
17. Cllr Iona Gordon
18. Cllr Ashley Govier
19. Cllr Andrew Graham
20. Cllr David Groves
21. Cllr Gavin Hill-John
22. Cllr Gareth Holden
23. Cllr Lyn Hudson
24. Cllr Garry Hunt
25. Cllr Keith Hyde
26. Cllr Mohammad Javed
27. Cllr Keith Jones
28. Cllr Margaret Jones
29. Cllr Heather Joyce
30. Cllr Bill Kelloway
31. Cllr Sam Knight
32. Cllr Kate Lloyd
33. Cllr Chris Lomax
34. Cllr Julia Magill
35. Cllr Gretta Marshall
36. Cllr Neil McEvoy
37. Cllr Paul Mitchell
38. Cllr Derrick Morgan
39. Cllr Jim Murphy
40. Cllr Georgina Phillips
41. Cllr David Rees
42. Cllr Adrian Robson
43. Cllr Eleanor Sanders
44. Cllr Elaine Simmons
45. Cllr Ed Stubbs
46. Cllr Ben Thomas
47. Cllr Graham Thomas
48. Cllr Huw Thomas
49. Cllr Lynda Thorne
50. Cllr Monica Walsh
51. Cllr Chris Weaver
52. Cllr Susan White
53. Cllr Caro Wild
54. Cllr Darren Williams

Members in receipt of Senior Salary

Leader and Cabinet Members

1. Cllr Phil Bale
2. Cllr Sue Lent
3. Cllr Peter Bradbury
4. Cllr Graham Hinchey
5. Cllr Sarah Merry
6. Cllr Bob Derbyshire
7. Cllr Susan Elsmore

8. Cllr Daniel De'Ath
9. Cllr Ramesh Patel
- Chairs of Committees
10. Cllr Richard Cook
11. Cllr Mary McGarry
12. Cllr Rod McKerlich
13. Cllr Paul Mitchell
14. Cllr Nigel Howells
15. Cllr Michael Michael
16. Cllr Jacqueline Parry
17. Cllr Elizabeth Clark
- Opposition Group Leaders
18. Cllr Judith Woodman
19. Cllr Dianne Rees
- Civic Salary
1. Cllr David Walker
2. Cllr Dilwar Ali

(b) Cardiff and Vale Pension Scheme

1. Cllr Phil Bale
2. Cllr Joe Boyle
3. Cllr Ed Bridges
4. Cllr Patricia Burfoot
5. Cllr Paul Chaundy
6. Cllr Elizabeth Clark
7. Cllr Richard Cook
8. Cllr Jayne Cowan
9. Cllr Kirsty Davies-Warner
10. Cllr Daniel De'Ath
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23. Cllr Gretta Marshall
24. Cllr Rod McKerlich
25. Cllr Sarah Merry
26. Cllr Michael Michael
27. Cllr Georgina Phillips
28. Cllr Dianne Rees
29. Cllr Adrian Robson

- 30. Cllr Eleanor Sanders
- 31. Cllr Benjamin Thomas
- 32. Cllr Huw Thomas
- 33. Cllr David Walker
- 34. Cllr Monica Walsh
- 35. Cllr Susan White

(c) Joint Committees

BODY	COUNCILLOR NAME
Glamorgan Archives	Cllr Jayne Cowan Cllr Chis Lomax Cllr Adrian Robson Cllr Huw Thomas
Prosiect Gwyrdd	Cllr Bob Derbyshire Cllr Graham Hinchey
Welsh Purchasing Consortium	Cllr Graham Hinchey
CSC Joint Education Service	Cllr Sarah Merry
Regulatory Services Joint Committee	Cllr Daniel De'Ath Cllr Jacqueline Parry

(d) Joint Boards

BODY	COUNCILLOR NAME
South Wales Fire & Rescue Service	Cllr Dilwar Ali Cllr Mohammed Javed Cllr Keith Hyde Cllr Rod McKerlich Cllr Georgina Phillips

(e) Local Authority School Governors

COUNCILLOR	SCHOOL
Cllr Manzoor Ahmed	Adamsdown Primary School
Cllr Nigel Howells	Adamsdown Primary School
Cllr Daniel De'Ath	Albany Primary School
Cllr Mary McGarry	Albany Primary School
Cllr Fenella Bowden	Birchgrove Primary School
Cllr Graham Hinchey	Birchgrove Primary School
Cllr Keith Hyde	Bryn Celyn Primary School
Cllr Derrick Morgan	Bryn Hafod Primary School
Cllr Neil McEvoy	Cantonian High School
Cllr Paul Mitchell	Cantonian High School
Cllr Margaret Jones	Cardiff High School
Cllr Mohammad Javed	Cardiff High School

COUNCILLOR

Cllr Elizabeth Clark
Cllr Sam Knight
Cllr Garry Hunt
Cllr David Groves
Cllr Gareth Aubrey
Cllr Ralph Cook
Cllr Susan Goddard
Cllr Paul Mitchell
Cllr Ramesh Patel
Cllr Dilwar Ali
Cllr Christopher Weaver
Cllr Lynda Thorne
Cllr Christopher Lomax
Cllr Jayne Cowan
Cllr Dilwar Ali
Cllr James Murphy
Cllr Joe Boyle
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Cllr Ashley Govier
Cllr Lynda Thorne
Cllr Lisa Ford
Cllr Dianne Rees
Cllr Georgina Phillips
Cllr Richard Cook
Cllr Susan Elsmore
Cllr Roderick McKerlich
Cllr Roderick McKerlich
Cllr Kate Lloyd
Cllr Daniel De'Ath
Cllr Susan Lent
Cllr Robert Derbyshire
Cllr Iona Gordon
Cllr Joe Boyle
Cllr Jacqueline Parry
Cllr Paul Chaundy

Cllr Susan Goddard

SCHOOL

Cathays High School
Cathays High School
Coed Glas Primary School
Coryton Primary School
Danescourt Primary School
Eastern High
Ely and Caerau Children's Centre
Fairwater Primary School
Fitzalan High School
Gabalfa Primary School
Gladstone Primary
Grangetown Nursery School
Grangetown Primary School
Greenhill School
Hawthorn Primary School
Herbert Thompson Primary School
Howardian Primary School
Howardian Primary School
Hywel Dda Primary School
Lakeside Primary School
Lansdowne Primary School
Lansdowne Primary School
Llanedeyrn Primary School
Llanishen Fach Primary School
Llysfaen Primary School
Marlborough Primary School
Marlborough Primary School
Meadowlane Primary
Millbank Primary School
Moorland Primary School
Ninian Park Primary School
Ninian Park Primary School
Peter Lea Primary School
Pontprennau Primary School
Pontprennau Primary School
Radnor Primary School
Radnor Primary School
Radyr Comprehensive School
Radyr Primary School
Rhydypenau Primary School
Roath Park Primary School
Roath Park Primary School
Rumney Primary School
Severn Primary School
Springwood Primary School
St Cadoc's RC Primary School
St David's C/W Primary School
(Cardiff)
St Francis RC Primary School

COUNCILLOR	SCHOOL
Cllr Ali Ahmed	St Mary The Virgin C/W Primary School
Cllr Dianne Rees	St Mellons C/W Primary School
Cllr Christopher Lomax	St Patrick`s RC Primary School
Cllr Mary McGarry	St Peter`s RC Primary School
Cllr Paul Chaundy	St Philip Evans RC Primary School
Cllr Nigel Howells	Stacey Primary School
Cllr Garry Hunt	The Court School
Cllr Elaine Simmons	The Glyn Derw Michaelston Federation
Cllr Judith Woodman	The Hollies School (Pentwyn)
Cllr Graham Hinchey	Ton Yr Ywen Primary School
Cllr Lyn Hudson	Ton Yr Ywen Primary School
Cllr Benjamin Thomas	Tongwynlais Primary School
Cllr Elaine Simmons	Trelai Primary School
Cllr Peter Bradbury	Ty Gwyn School
Cllr Ali Ahmed	Welsh Medium Primary School - Hamadryad (Temp)
Cllr James Murphy	West - proposed new secondary school (Temp)
Cllr Jonathan Evans	Whitchurch High (Foundation) School
Cllr Christopher Davis	Whitchurch Primary School
Cllr Edward Stubbs	Willows High School
Cllr Huw Thomas	Willows High School
Cllr Susan White	Ysgol Glan Ceubal
Cllr Huw Thomas	Ysgol Glan Morfa
Cllr Susan Elsmore	Ysgol Gymraeg Treganna
(f) Cardiff Bus	

BODY	COUNCILLOR NAME
Cardiff Bus	Cllr Gareth Aubrey
	Cllr Garry Hunt
	Cllr Chris Lomax
	Cllr Adrian Robson
	Cllr Elaine Simmons
	Cllr Ben Thomas
	Cllr Susan White

The following additional personal interests were declared

<u>Councillor</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Interest</u>
Councillor Dilwar Ali	Item 7 Budget Proposals 2016/17	As a Council tenant
Councillor Bale	Item 7 Budget Proposals 2016/17	Member of the Core Cities Cabinet Member of the Friends of yr Hen Llyfrgell
Councillor Bowden	Item 6 Corporate Plan	Member of Diverse Cymru

Councillor Bradbury	Item 7 Budget Proposals 2016/17	Representative of the Co-operative Council network; Cardiff Story Museum Trustee
Councillor Bridges	Item 7 Budget Proposals 2016/17	Employee of the Alzheimer's Society
Councillor Chaundy	Item 7 Budget Proposals 2016/17	Parents in receipt of meals on wheels Parents occasionally attend Oldwell Court Day Centre
Councillor Groves	Item 6 Corporate Plan	Councillor and spouse in receipt of Direct Payments
Councillor Hinchey	Item 7 Budget Proposals 2016/17	Chair of Friends of Llwynfedw Gardens
Councillor Hudson	Item 7 Budget Proposals 2016/17	Family Member in receipt of care Services
Councillor Lomax	Item 7 Budget Proposals 2016/17	As a Council tenant
Councillor Mitchell	Item 7 Budget Proposals 2016/17	Director of Greenland Crescent Ltd
Councillor Woodman	Item 6 Corporate Plan	Honorary President of Diverse Cymru

153 : MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting held on 28 January 2016 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairperson subject to the amendment of accuracy to Min No 130 - Petitions the deletion of Petitions No 1, 4, 7 which were not received at the meeting.

154 : PETITIONS

1. Councillor De'Ath – 135 signatures calling on the Council for the installation of a permanent crossing patrol at Albany Primary School;
2. Councillor Gordon – over 6000 signatures from an on-line petition calling on the Council not to cut funding to the arts, culture and heritage in Cardiff;
3. Councillor Hudson – 1318 signatures from an on-line petition and 23 signatures who are opposed to the introduction of a Bus Lane on Caerphilly Road.

155 : LORD MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

St David's Day

A Civic Service at The City Parish Church of St. John the Baptist, St. John Street, Cardiff will start the National St David's Day Celebrations on Tuesday 1 March 2016 at 10.45am and following the Service at St. David's Hall.

St David's Day Special Event Dinner

To end the St David's Day celebrations a special Dinner event with an array of sporting stars will taking place at the City Hall with over 90 persons attending.

International Mother Language Day

International Mother Language Day (IMLD) was celebrated earlier in the day at an event in the Senedd to promote awareness of linguistic and cultural diversity and multilingualism.

156 : CORPORATE PLAN 2016-2018

The Council was requested to consider the draft Corporate Plan 2016-2018 to enable it to be agreed and finalised for publication. Our vision is for Cardiff

The Lord Mayor invited the Leader to propose the Corporate Plan and this was seconded by Councillor Elsmore.

The Leader set out his ambition for Cardiff to be Europe's most liveable capital city, and the need for a broader approach to develop the city was required as 'Liveability' was about all things that matter most to people: - work, education, health, outdoor spaces; feeling safe. This Plan sets out what the Council will do to achieve that ambition, how we will do it and how we will measure our progress.

Cardiff. As a capital has a sense of community. In a recent European Commission quality of life survey, Cardiffians were asked how happy they were with their city and Cardiff's resident satisfaction was rates 3rd alongside Copenhagen and Stockholm.

The Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) last week a world leading economic think tank suggested that governments should be borrowing and investing more in public infrastructure and not in deep austerity cuts.

This administration has chosen to invest in our city and its citizens with may improvement projects in the city centre; sports village and the bay as well as working with other regional partners on the £1.2m City Deal,

The Corporate Plan sets out the delivery of the Council's priorities for taking the city forward and tackling inequality:

- Better education and skills for all;
- Supporting vulnerable people;
- Creating more and better paid jobs;
- Working together to transform services.

In education, the plan sets out how we will ensure that every school in Cardiff, without exception, is a good school. We are investing £168m to modernise our schools, and our focus on improving performance has helped GCSE results improve by 10% since 2012.

We have backed our commitment to supporting vulnerable people, spending around £91m on adult social services and £137m on social services. We will make sure children and older people in greatest need are protected in the face of prolonged cuts to vital services; working hard to ensure families in the city who are living every day with real hardship get the support they need.

We are investing in creating more and better paid jobs in the city through the upgrading the city's infrastructure - regenerating of Central Square, the new bus interchange, alongside a new Local Development Plan and the proposed £1.2bn Cardiff Capital Region City Deal.

Finally this plan sets out how we will change services, delivering new ways of working for our leisure centres and infrastructure services like waste and building maintenance. We are committed to expanding our successful community hubs, where a number of different partners offer a range of services all under one roof at Fairwater, Splott, Llandaf North and Llanedeyrn

We are also committed to develop new income opportunities and a shift towards digital first strategy. Great cities need great public services and this plan sets out what we will do to deliver great public services for the people of Cardiff, and to making the capital city of Wales a great place to live and a city of opportunity for everyone, regardless of background.

The Lord Mayor invited debate on the Corporate Plan. In seconding the Plan the Cabinet Member for Health Housing and Wellbeing reinforced the importance of working together; the challenges and the need to support the most vulnerable citizens; the importance of community foundations.

Members in general supported the improved focus of the plan; outlined the importance of education and skills; connectivity and transport infrastructure; poor air quality; population and demographic trends; the need to ensure Community Asset Transfers are workable; safeguarding adults as well as children; engagement.

In summing up the Leader expressed the importance of translating these priorities through to Deliver Plans; importance of monitoring and scrutiny and the importance of partnerships and engagement

RESOLVED – That

1. the Corporate Plan 2016-2018 was approved;
2. delegate authority was approved for the Chief Executive in consultation with the Leader of the Council to make any consequential amendments to the Corporate Plan following consideration by Council on 25 February 2016.

157 : BUDGET PROPOSALS 2016-17

(Members declarations of interest under Article 10 of the Members' Code of Conduct as set out in Minute Number 152 were noted)

The Council was requested to consider and approve the Cabinet Budget Proposals for 2015 - 16.

The Lord Mayor reminded Members of the agreed conduct of debate for the consideration of the Cabinet Budget Proposals 2015-16, the amendments to the proposals received in accordance with the Council Procedure Rules which included

necessary Statutory Officer advice. The Lord Mayor indicated that Members would be called to speak in accordance with the agreed Speaking Order.

The Lord Mayor advised that two alternative budget proposals had been received in accordance with the Council Meeting Procedure Rule 22 (b) and had been considered by the Corporate Director Resources and her comments and those of the Statutory Officers were included with the alternative proposals which had been circulated as part of the Amendment Sheet.

The Lord Mayor invited the Cabinet Member, Corporate Services and Performance, Councillor Hinchey to propose the Cabinet Budget. This was seconded by Councillor Bale.

Councillor Hinchey expressed his thanks to Cabinet colleagues; Members of all Scrutiny Committees; Members of the Council's Labour Group and Opposition groups; the Trade Unions and the Council's workforce; and the Chief Executive, Senior Management and specifically the Corporate Director – Resources and the Finance team for their professional support in preparing what was a very difficult budget for the Council to set.

The Cabinet Member highlighted the severe and sustained pressure on Public Services and the impact on Service provision and the way the Council has traditionally delivered Council services to the citizens and communities in the city. Cardiff is Britain's fastest growing city. This growth is a sign of the city's success. People want to live in this great city, but success comes with its own challenges – challenges to the city's infrastructure and public services that have to be managed efficiently and effectively.

The city recently passed the Local Development P, and can plan for the new houses, public-transport links, hospitals, and schools that our city needs. A strong and successful capital city plays a fundamental role in creating jobs and driving the whole Welsh economy. The city region and the city deal are fast becoming a reality and will deliver growth and success for the whole of Wales.

Like all big cities, Cardiff faces real social challenges. These capital city pressures have been recognised by the Welsh Government in a better-than-expected funding settlement this year. This has meant that our budget gap is £14m less than anticipated, but there is still a very challenging £33m of savings to be met this year.

The Cabinet Member advised that the administration had chosen to invest in its four priorities: better education, better jobs, better care for our vulnerable and better services for the people of Cardiff.

In education, the administration has committed £168m to radically improve our schools after years of under-investment, making Cardiff's schools budget the highest delegated schools budget in Wales, giving schools, and parents, and governing bodies the power to make their own choices. In addition there has been an additional allocation of £11.2m to schools.

The administration is also investing in more and better jobs, to give confidence in Cardiff and support recovery. The benefits can be seen with the Central Square development and progress on the city deal; and ambitious housing partnership programme; the establishment of a £0.5m fund to help young people to work, a fund that will provide real change tackling youth unemployment, reducing NEETs, increasing apprenticeships.

An additional £1.9m has been allocated for disabled facilities grants. This will help disabled people, both adults and children, remain in their own homes. That is a total of over £6m going towards disabled facilities grants next year.

The administration is investing in a programme of community Hubs, bringing public services under one roof, making it simpler for people to access services locally. Hubs are now open in Central Library, Grangetown, Rumney, and Ely. This time next year there will be new Hubs in Fairwater, Splott, Llanishen, Llandaff North, and Llanedeyrn.

We are modernising services. We are embedding a digital-first strategy. We are developing our staff and finding new ways to grow revenue. We're improving frontline services. We are saving money using fewer but better buildings.

We also proposed to reduce the proposed council tax increase down from anticipated 4.5% increase to 3.7% increase.

The Cabinet Member however urged caution as the long-term spending cuts were likely to continue along with pressures on Council; national government and the NHs which will result in added pressures on Council Services. The Council still faces a budget shortfall of at least £73m over the next three years. These are huge cuts still to come. That's on top of the £99m savings we've already made over the past three years.

This administration has indicated it will use some of the £14m from the better settlement to offset previously proposed savings, pushing them back to later years. And we will use £4m of it to strike a balance between investing in priority areas while managing risk over the next few years. We will do this because many more difficult choices have to be made. Using this settlement wisely will give us resilience and reduce risks when future budgets are yet unknown. The budget will help deliver the long-term changes that are needed to protect and invest in our valued public services.

The administration is committed to decisions being made in an open, fair, and collaborative way, staying true to our values. Members have welcomed this approach. The values have underpinned the budget consultation process, which this year saw over 3000 people completing the Changes for Cardiff questionnaire. . The Cabinet have listened to what has been said.

On culture and arts, funding for Cardiff Singer of the World, Artes Mundi, and £105,000 funding for community culture projects had been safeguarded; there has been an extra £320,000 investment for potholes. We have put in an additional

£320,000 extra also into making our streets cleaner and safer. Members of the public and Members of this chamber told us this was a priority and we've listened.

The Cabinet have listened to staff, working closely with the trade unions and staff groups. We know that austerity is having an impact on them. Over the past three years, we have been forced to reduce our workforce by 1434 posts. That's an average of 478 a year. This year, we have managed to significantly reduce that figure to 135. That's more than 70% reduction on previous years. We support the social workers, the teachers, and the bin men, the planners, the librarians – everyone who helps make Cardiff a great place to live. They all make a difference every day for the people of Cardiff. We need to invest in them so we can face the challenges of the future together. Cardiff was the first council in Wales to pay the minimum wage, and now the only council accredited as being a living wage employer.

The Cabinet Member commended the budget to Council as one that delivered on all of the priorities and ambitions of Cardiff as contained within the Corporate Plan.

The Leader in seconding the budget highlighted the uncertainties of the future funding; the scale of the cuts; the need to protect the vulnerable; provided effective and efficient public services; the cooperative principles; and the key administration commitments.

The Lord Mayor invited the proposer and seconder of the amendments to formally move their proposal and to speak.

Councillor Cowan formally moved the Conservative alternative proposal and spoke on the proposal.

Councillor McKerlich formally seconded the Conservative alternative proposal and spoke on the proposal.

Councillor McEvoy formally moved the Plaid Cymru alternative proposal and spoke on the proposal.

Councillor Ford formally seconded the Plaid Cymru alternative proposal and spoke on the proposal.

The Lord Mayor invited contributions from the remaining Party Group Finance Spokesperson Councillors Howells before opening up the debate to all Members in accordance with the Budget Procedure Rules. Group Leaders spoke as part of the general debate. The debate raised a number of issues in relation to the Budget setting process and the consultation process; issues around the arts and culture funding; funding of day centres and community groups; funding play centres and youth services; senior management structure; expenditure on consultants; deliverability of savings; the non-delivery of past savings; and the proposed increase in Council Tax.

Prior to the summing up each of the Cabinet Members made statements on matters raised in relation to their portfolio's.

Following the debate the Lord Mayor advised that a vote would be taken on each of the amendments received on notice.

The first vote was on the alternative proposal proposed by Councillor Cowan and seconded by Councillor McKerlich

The Alternative Proposal by the Conservatives was LOST

The second vote was on the alternative proposal proposed by Councillor McEvoy and seconded by Cllr Ford.

The Alternative Proposal by Plaid Cymru was LOST.

The Lord Mayor invited the Cabinet Member Corporate Services and Performance to respond to matters raised during the debate. Councillor Hinchey emphasised the improved financial position for the forthcoming year but emphasised the ongoing impact on public services of the fiscal and demand pressures on budgets; the need for collaboration with partners; communities and their citizens and stakeholders; and the importance of maintaining and protecting statutory services for the most vulnerable people of the city.

The Cabinet Proposal as set out in the report was put to the vote and the recommendations were CARRIED.

RESOLVED – That

- 1.0 the Council, having taken account of the comments of the Corporate Director Resources in respect of the robustness of the budget and the adequacy of reserves as required under Section 25 of the Local Government Act 2003 that the Revenue, Capital and Housing Revenue Account budgets including all proposals and increasing the Council Tax by 3.7% as set out in this report be approved and that the Council resolve the following terms: - .
- 2.0 Note that at the Cabinet meeting on 10 December 2015 the Council calculated the following amounts for the year 2016/17 in accordance with the regulations made under Section 33(5) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992:-
 - a) 141,288 being the amount calculated in accordance with Regulation 3 of the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) (Wales) Regulations 1995, as amended, as its Council Tax base for the year.
 - b)

Lisvane	2,347
Pentyrch	3,184
Radyr	3,655
St. Fagans	1,234
Old St. Mellons	1,289
Tongwynlais	812

being the amounts calculated in accordance with Regulation 6 of the Regulations as the amounts of its Council Tax base for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which special items relate.

- 2.1 Agree that the following amounts be now calculated by the County Council of the City and County of Cardiff for the year 2016/17 in accordance with Sections 32 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992:-
- a) Aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 32(2)(a) to (d) (including Community Council precepts totalling £296,100).
£1,048,880,100
 - b) Aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for items set out in Section 32(3)(a) and (c).
£472,793,000
 - c) Amount by which the aggregate at 2.1(a) above exceeds the aggregate at 2.1(b) above calculated in accordance with Section 32(4) as the budget requirement for the year.
£576,087,100
 - d) Aggregate of the sums which the Council estimates will be payable for the year into its Council Fund in respect of Revenue Support Grant, its Council Tax Reduction Scheme, redistributed Non-Domestic Rates.
£426,284,786
 - e) The amount at 2.1(c) above less the amount at 2.1(d) (net of the amount for discretionary relief of £300,000), all divided by the amount at 2.0(a) above, calculated in accordance with Section 33(1) as the basic amount of Council Tax for the year.
£1,062.39
 - f) Aggregate amount of all special items referred to in Section 34(1).
£296,100
 - g) Amount at 2.1(e) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 2.1(f) above by the amount at 2.0(a) above, in accordance with Section 34(2) of the Act, as the basic amount of Council Tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of the area to which no special items relate.
£1,060.29
 - h) The amounts given by adding to the amount at 2.1(g) above the amounts of special items relating to dwellings in those part of the council's area mentioned below, divided in each case by the amount at 2.0(b) above, calculated in accordance with Section 34(3) as the basic amounts of Council Tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of the area to which special items relate.

	£
Lisvane	1,074.78
Pentyrch	1,086.99
Radyr	1,091.07
St. Fagans	1,074.88
Old St. Mellons	1,081.70
Tongwynlais	1,083.72

- i) The amounts given by multiplying the amounts at 2.1(g) and 2.1(h) above by the number which in the proportion set out in the Council Tax (Valuation Bands) (Wales) Order 2003 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 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.

VALUATION BANDS

	A £	B £	C £	D £	E £	F £	G £	H £	I £
Area									
Lisvane	716.52	835.94	955.36	1,074.78	1,313.62	1,522.46	1,791.29	2,149.55	2,507.81
Pentyrch	724.66	845.43	966.21	1,086.99	1,328.54	1,570.09	1,811.64	2,173.97	2,536.30
Radyr	727.38	848.61	969.84	1,091.07	1,333.53	1,575.99	1,818.45	2,182.14	2,545.83
St. Fagans	716.58	836.02	955.45	1,074.88	1,313.74	1,552.60	1,791.46	2,149.75	2,508.05
Old St. Mellons	721.13	841.32	961.51	1,081.70	1,322.08	1,562.46	1,802.84	2,163.40	2,523.97
Tongwynlais	722.48	842.89	963.30	1,083.72	1,324.54	1,565.37	1,806.20	2,167.44	2,528.68
All other parts of the Council's Area	706.86	824.67	942.48	1,060.29	1,295.91	1,531.53	1,767.15	2,120.58	2,474.01

- 2.2 Note that for the year 2016/17, the Police and Crime Commissioner for South Wales has stated the following amounts in precepts issued to the Council, in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 for each of the categories of dwelling shown below:-

VALUATION BANDS

A £	B £	C £	D £	E £	F £	G £	H £	I £
138.57	161.66	184.76	207.85	254.04	300.23	346.42	415.70	484.99

- 2.3 Having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at 2.1(i) and 2.2 above, the County Council of the City and County of Cardiff in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 hereby set the following amounts as the amounts of Council Tax for the year 2016/17 for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:-

Part of Council's Area

VALUATION BANDS									
Area	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Lisvane	855.09	997.60	1,140.12	1,282.63	1,567.66	1,852.69	2,137.71	2,565.25	2,992.80
Pentyrch	863.23	1,007.09	1,150.97	1,294.84	1,582.58	1,870.32	2,158.06	2,589.67	3,021.29
Radyr	865.95	1,010.27	1,154.60	1,298.92	1,587.57	1,876.22	2,164.87	2,597.84	3,030.82
St. Fagans	855.15	997.68	1,140.21	1,282.73	1,567.78	1,852.83	2,137.88	2,565.45	2,993.04
Old St. Mellons	859.70	1,002.98	1,146.27	1,289.55	1,576.12	1,862.69	2,149.26	2,579.10	3,008.96
Tongwynlais	861.05	1,004.55	1,148.06	1,291.57	1,578.58	1,865.60	2,152.62	2,583.14	3,013.67
All other parts of the Council's Area	845.43	986.33	1,127.24	1,268.14	1,549.95	1,831.76	2,113.57	2,536.28	2,959.00

2.4 Authorise the Corporate Director Resources to make payments under Section 38 of the Local Government (Wales) Act 1994 from the Council Fund by equal instalments on the last working day of each month from April 2016 to March 2017 in respect of the precept levied by the Police and Crime Commissioner for South Wales in the sum of £29,366,937.

2.5 Agree that the Common Seal be affixed to the said Council Tax.

2.6 Agree that the Common Seal be affixed to precepts for Port Health Expenses for the period 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2017 namely

The County Council of the City and County of Cardiff £114,904

The Vale of Glamorgan County Borough Council £12,976

2.7 Agree that notices of the making of the said Council Taxes signed by the Chief Executive be given by advertisement in the local press under Section 38(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.

2.8 In the event that the final settlement figure differs from the provisional figure, the Council approve a proportionate adjustment to the general reserves.

3.0 the Prudential Indicators for 2016/17, 2017/18 & 2018/19 delegating to the Section 151 Officer the authority to effect movement between the limits for borrowing and long term liabilities within the limit for any year be approved.

4.0 the Treasury Management Strategy for 2016/17 in accordance with the Local Government Act 2013 and the Local Authority (Capital Finance & Accountancy) (Wales) Regulations 2003 and subsequent amendments be approved .

5.0 the Minimum Revenue Provision Policy for 2016/17 Be approved.

6.0 the Section 151 Officer be authorised to raise such funds as may be required to finance capital expenditure by temporary or long term borrowing within the

limits outlined above, and to bring forward or delay schemes within the Capital Programme.

- 7.0 the current Council Tax Reduction Scheme as set out in the report be maintained.
- 8.0 the City Deal Document referred to in paragraph 235 to 239 of the report be signed on behalf of the Council (on the understanding that the document will provide that it will be subject to the agreement of the Full Council). Pursuant to the City Deal Document the Council continues to work with the Cardiff Capital Region partner local authorities, UK and the Welsh Government to develop the final City Deal Agreements, and further reports on this matter be submitted to Council as appropriate to keep members appraised of developments.

158 : LEADER & CABINET MEMBER STATEMENTS

There were no Leader or Cabinet Statements to Council as all Cabinet Members had spoken as part of the Budget Debate.

159 : URGENT BUSINESS

No request had been received for an urgent item.

160 : APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR GOVERNANCE AND LEGAL SERVICES & INTERIM MONITORING OFFICER

The Council was advised of the impending vacancy in the post of Director of Governance and Legal Services, the Council's designated Monitoring Officer, and requirement to put in place arrangements to ensure the Council has adequate senior management resources to discharge its functions effectively

RESOLVED – That the Council

1. noted the forthcoming vacancy of the post of Director of Governance and Legal Services, and approves a recruitment and selection exercise to fill the post;
2. agreed no changes to the statement of duties, terms and conditions, including remuneration for the post, as previously determined by ECC and Council in February 2015;
3. delegated authority to the Corporate Director, Resources, to put in place appropriate arrangements for public advertisement of the post;
4. noted that an Appointments Committee will be convened to make a suitable appointment under its approved terms of reference; and
5. designated David Marr as Interim Monitoring Officer from 1 March 2016 and until the date that the new appointee commences employment.

(The meeting closed at 20.25)

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