

CITY COUNCIL

TUESDAY 5 MARCH 2019 AT 6.45 PM

PRESENT: The Mayor (Councillor Mrs Riddle), Councillors Alcroft, Allison, Bainbridge, Bell, Betton, Mrs Birks, Bloxham, Bomford, Mrs Bowman, Bowman (S), Brown, Carrigan, Christian, Coleman, Collier, Crawford, Currie, Earp, Ellis, Mrs Ellis-Williams, Finlayson, Glendinning, Glover, Graham, Harid, Higgs, Layden, McDonald, Mrs McKerrell, McNulty, Mrs Mallinson, Mallinson (J), Mitchelson, Morton, Nedved, Mrs Parsons, Patrick, Ms Quilter, Robson, Shepherd, Miss Sherriff, Sidgwick (S), Sidgwick (T), Southward, Stothard, Dr Tickner, Tinnion, Mrs Vasey, Mrs Warwick and Watson

ALSO

PRESENT: Town Clerk and Chief Executive
Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services

A Member of the public who had submitted a question on notice

C.35/19 APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was submitted on behalf of Councillor Paton.

C.36/19 MINUTES

The Mayor moved the receipt and adoption of the Minutes of the Meetings of the City Council held on 8 January and 5 February 2019.

In answer to a request from Councillor Nedved, Councillor Glover advised that a response had been received the day before from the Tullie House Trust with regard to the development of the Guildhall Museum, the content of which would be provided to the Councillor in writing (Minute C.15/19(iv) referred).

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the meetings of the City Council held on 8 January and 5 February 2019 be received and signed as a true record of the meetings.

C.37/19 PUBLIC AND PRESS

The Mayor proposed, and it was agreed, that Items 8 (Questions by Members of the Public) and 17 (Notice of Motion) which related to the issue of climate change be moved and considered immediately following Item 6 (Announcements). Such action would facilitate the attendance at the meeting by those members of the public present who had a particular interest in the subject.

RESOLVED – That the Agenda be varied as outlined above.

C.38/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest affecting the business to be transacted at the meeting.

C.39/19 ANNOUNCEMENTS

(i) The Mayor

There were no announcements from the Mayor.

(ii) The Leader of the Council

There were no announcements from the Leader.

(iii) Members of the Executive

Councillor Miss Sherriff stated that, as all would be aware, following consideration of the consultation feedback on the Executive's Budget Proposals 2019/20, a grant of £5,000 for three-years for the Armed Forces/Veterans support had been given as match funding with Eden District Council; to be subject to an external grant application.

She was delighted to announce the extremely positive news that a payment of £20,000 had just been awarded.

(iv) Town Clerk and Chief Executive

There were no announcements from the Town Clerk and Chief Executive.

C.40/19 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Climate Change

Pursuant to Procedure Rule 10.1, the Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services reported the receipt of the undernoted question submitted on notice by a member of the public:

Speaking at the invitation of the Mayor, a member of the public asked the following question:

"My name is [redacted] and I am 6 years old. I am a school councillor at Brampton Primary School and I want to be a Carlisle City Councillor.

I want to be a councillor like you because then I could make the most important decision ever. The decision that Carlisle will do its bit to stop climate change.

I feel like politicians are stealing my future from me by doing nothing.

We have 12 years left to stop making greenhouse gases if we want to stop climate change.

If you don't act now, in 12 years' time, when I turn 18, when I am old enough to be a Councillor like you, it will be too late.

I will not get my chance to change things.

My future depends on the decisions you make in this room. Please give me a chance to change the world too.

My question tonight is

“What are you going to do about climate change to make sure it is not too late when I am old enough to sit where you are sitting?”

The Leader thanked the young person for bringing what was a very important question to this Council meeting.

The Leader knew that the authority had met young people from school councils in the Council Chamber to talk about all sorts of subjects, but thought this was the first time that someone so young has addressed the Council and asked a question on such an important subject.

He had listened to her speak on the Radio that morning and although she could not sit in these chairs as a Councillor yet, she was already taking her chance to change things.

One of the reasons that Councils around the country were starting to take action on climate change, was because Councillors were taking notice of such people, who were brave enough to stand up and speak out about how urgent it is to make the right decisions to protect our planet and the places where we live.

The Leader promised that the authority shared her concerns about climate change and Carlisle City Council was already taking some important steps.

He explained that the Council had a plan, called the Local Plan, that was used to help make the right decisions on designing and building Carlisle for the future, to design homes and other buildings that use less energy, to make Members think about how they would travel about the city in the future and to protect their natural environment.

The Council was trying to make the right decisions on its own buildings, using less energy and from sources that were better for the environment; already had some electric vehicles and was looking at how more changes could be made to the way things are done, that are better for the environment.

But the young person was right, the authority had to do more and do it faster.

The Leader said that he did not want to have to explain to her, when she was 18 years old, why the Council had not done what was needed, to protect the world for her and her friends.

Later this evening, the Council would talk more about what it was going to do to protect her future. Maybe one day she would be a Councillor or even Leader of the Council and would have the chance to take important decisions that would continue the work that it was doing now and the work that he hoped it would promise to do in the very near future.

There was a lot of work to do and the Council needed to start now. Every Councillor would be able to be part of taking those important decisions, but the Council also wanted to work with everyone in Carlisle to keep its promise to her.

By bringing her question to this Council meeting, the young person had already got people talking about how important it was to deal with climate change. She might not have a vote but was already making a difference.

The Leader hoped that she would keep on talking to the Council about the things that were important to her and he promised that the Council would keep on listening.

The Leader thanked her again for coming to the Council meeting and speaking up.

In accordance with Procedure Rule 10.8, the Mayor reminded the member of the public that she could pose a supplementary question should she so wish.

In response, the member of the public asked how the Council was going to involve ordinary people and children in the action it would take on climate change.

The Leader considered that to be a very good question, adding that it was important that all were involved. A meeting had taken place the day before involving many people.

All those present in the Council Chamber could discuss the issue. There was, however, a need to also talk to people across the City who may have additional and indeed better ideas on how climate change may be addressed. By working together, it would be possible to make a difference for the people of Carlisle.

C.41/19 NOTICE OF MOTION

Climate Change

Pursuant to Procedure Rule 12, the Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services reported the receipt of the following motion submitted on notice by Councillor Glover:

“Extreme weather events over the last few years have presented severe challenges to property, transport, agriculture and other services in the Carlisle area and have led to the deaths and displacement of thousands of people worldwide. The MET Office clearly states that these kind of extreme weather events are significantly more likely on a planet with human-caused climate change.

According to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change 1.5C report, published in October 2018, humanity has 11 years for “ambitious action from national and sub-national authorities, civil society, the private sector, indigenous peoples and local communities” to deliver the “rapid and far-reaching transitions in land, energy, industry, buildings, transport, and cities” needed to turn this around, so we can avoid reaching tipping points where we would no longer have the ability to avoid extreme weather events. Business as usual is clearly no longer an option.

Bold climate action can deliver economic benefits in terms of new jobs, economic savings and market opportunities, as well as improved well-being for people locally and worldwide.

A rapidly growing number of City & District Councils, together with the Mayor of London, have passed motions declaring a ‘Climate Emergency’. A number of Local Authorities have also signed up to the UK100 Agreement, pledging to achieve 100% ‘clean energy’ usage by 2050 in their region. But the recent IPCC report shows it is imperative that this target is reached much sooner.

Carlisle City Council is committed to reducing carbon emissions, both as an organisation and as the Local Planning Authority and resolves to go further than the UK100 Agreement and to act in line with the scientific consensus that we must reduce emissions to net zero by 2030, and therefore commits to:

- **Declare a ‘Climate Emergency’ that requires urgent action.**
- **Make the Council’s activities net-zero carbon by 2030**

- **Ensure that all strategic decisions, budgets and approaches to planning decisions are in line with a shift to zero carbon by 2030.**
- **Support and work with all other relevant agencies towards making the Carlisle district Zero Carbon within the same timescale;**
- **Achieve 100% clean energy across Carlisle City Council's full range of functions by 2030**
- **Convene a citizens assembly in 2019 to oversee and feed into the development of related action plans and budgets**

And to take the following actions:

- Ensure that political and chief officer leadership teams embed this work in all areas of the Corporate Plan and take responsibility for reducing, as rapidly as possible, the carbon emissions resulting from the Council's activities, ensuring that any recommendations are fully costed and that the Executive and Scrutiny functions review council activities taking account of production and consumption emissions and produce an action plan within 12 months, together with budget actions and a measured baseline;
- Request that Council Scrutiny Panels consider the impact of climate change and the environment when reviewing Council policies and strategies;
- Work with, influence and inspire partners across the district, county and region to help deliver this goal through all relevant strategies, plans and shared resources by developing a series of meetings, events and partner workshops;
- Set up a Carlisle Partnership Climate Change group, drawing on expertise from Councillors, residents, young citizens, climate science and solutions experts, businesses, skills providers, Cumbria Action for Sustainability, Sustainable Carlisle, Citizens assembly representatives and other relevant parties. Over the following 12 months, the Group will consider strategies and actions being developed by the Council and other partner organisations and develop a city wide strategy in line with a target of net zero emissions by 2030, engaging other anchor institutions and SMEs. It will also recommend ways to maximise local benefits of these actions in other sectors such as employment, health, agriculture, transport and the economy;
- Request that the Council and partners take steps to proactively include young people in the process, ensuring that they have a voice in shaping the future;
- Request that the Executive Portfolio holder with responsibility for Climate Change convenes a Citizens' Assembly in 2019 in order to involve the wider population in this process. This group would help develop their own role, identify how the Council's activities might be made net-zero carbon by 2030, consider the latest climate science and expert advice on solutions and to consider systematically the climate change impact of each area of the Council's activities;
- Review the Council's Investment Strategy to give due consideration to Climate Change targets in the Investment portfolio whilst also ensuring the security of principal, portfolio liquidity and return on investment. Request a report within 6 months from the Corporate Director of Finance and Resources on investment strategies of any financial institutions where council funds are or could be held;

- Ensure that all reports in preparation for the 2020/21 budget cycle and Investment Strategy will take into account the actions the council will take to address this emergency;
- Add the voice of Carlisle City Council to the calls on the UK Government to provide the powers, resources and help with funding to make this possible;
- In recognition of the seriousness of the financial constraints that the Council faces, and the expectation that both the development and implementation of many measures above are likely to be contingent on securing significant additional extra funding, that the District's local MPs be called upon to ensure that Central government provides the powers, resources and funding to make this possible, and that Council writes to them to seek their commitments;
- Consider other actions that could be recommended (but are not restricted to): low carbon energy production and storage, providing electric vehicle infrastructure and encouraging the use of electric vehicles within the fleet, workforce and wider community, integrating low carbon technologies into operational assets and projects, increasing the efficiency of buildings, prioritising these measures for housing to address fuel poverty; proactively using our local planning powers to accelerate the delivery of net carbon new developments and communities, coordinating a series of information and training events to raise awareness and share good practice;
- Where needed, officer reports to the Council Executive and Full Council contain impact assessments on Climate Change that include Carbon Emission Appraisals, including presenting alternative approaches which reduce carbon emissions where possible;
- Note the Borderlands Inclusive Growth Deal which proposes strategic co-ordination using a whole systems approach to support and bring forward new energy projects across the area, to help Borderlands become the first carbon neutral region in the UK and that masterplanning work for St Cuthbert's Garden Village is giving due consideration to sustainable design, construction and transport options."

Councillor Glover moved and Councillor Mrs Ellis-Williams seconded the motion.

Councillor Glover then elaborated in detail upon the reasons for submission of the motion, expressing the hope that it would receive unanimous support.

There then followed substantial and lengthy debate, including points of order, during which a number of Members of the City Council outlined their support for / opposition to the Motion.

Councillor Betton supported by one fourth of the Members present requested under Procedure Rule 17.4 that a recorded vote be taken.

The following Members voted for the motion of Councillor Glover:

Councillors Alcroft, Allison, Bell, Betton, Mrs Birks, Bomford, Brown, Carrigan, Coleman, Crawford, Mrs Ellis-Williams, Glendinning, Glover, Graham, Harid, McDonald, McNulty, Patrick, Ms Quilter, Mrs Riddle, Miss Sherriff, Sidgwick (S), Sidgwick (T), Southward, Stothard, Dr Tickner, Tinnion, Mrs Warwick and Watson.

The following Members abstained:

Councillors Bainbridge, Bloxham, Bowman (S), Mrs Bowman, Christian, Collier, Currie, Earp, Ellis, Finlayson, Higgs, Layden, Mrs Mallinson, Mallinson (J), Mrs McKerrell, Mitchelson, Morton, Nedved, Mrs Parsons, Robson, Shepherd and Mrs Vasey.

RESOLVED – That the Motion of Councillor Glover, as set out above, be CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 8.45 pm and reconvened at 8.54 pm

C.42/19 COUNCIL TAX 2019/20

Councillor Dr Tickner presented a report of the Corporate Director of Finance and Resources (RD.44/18) detailing the calculations which the City Council, as Billing Authority, was required to undertake in order to set the overall amount of Council Tax for 2019/20. He summarised stages 1 and 2 of the budgetary process.

Councillor Dr Tickner further informed Members that the Parish Council Precepts for 2019/20 totalled £637,627.

The City Council, Cumbria County Council and the Police and Crime Commissioner for Cumbria had calculated their Council Tax requirements for 2019/20 and the County Council had issued a precept upon the City Council in the sum of £46,892,836. That resulted in a Band D Council Tax of £1,385.28 (1.99% increase for 2019/20 plus 2% Social Care Precept).

The Police and Crime Commissioner for Cumbria had issued a precept on the City Council in the sum of £8,688,772 which resulted in a Band D Council Tax of £256.68 (an increase of 10.29%).

The report set out the calculations to be made by the City Council in setting:

- The level of basic Council Tax in 2019/20 in respect of City Council Services at £231.04 and the amount to be levied in non parished areas at £212.20;
- The level of Basic (City) Council Tax which would be charged in different parts of the City Council's area to reflect Special Items (Parish Precepts);
- The Basic amount of (City) Council Tax applicable to each category of dwelling in each part of the City Council's area;
- The total amount of Council Tax to be levied in 2019/20, inclusive of Cumbria County Council and Police and Crime Commissioner for Cumbria Precept, applicable to each category of dwelling in each part of the City Council's area;

It also:

- Detailed how the Council Tax Surplus was calculated
- Recommended that Council approve the formal Council Tax Resolution

It should be noted that the City Council had increased its share of Council Tax by £5 (2.41%) for 2019/20. The County Council had raised its share for 2019/20 by 1.99% and 2% for the Social Care Precept. The Police and Crime Commissioner had raised its Council Tax rates for 2019/20 by 10.29%.

Councillor Dr Tickner then formally moved and Councillor Glover formally seconded the recommendations set out in Report RD.44/18.

The Mayor announced that, in accordance with the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) Regulations 2001, a recorded vote would be taken on this item of business.

The following Members voted for the motion of Councillor Dr Tickner:

Councillors Alcroft, Allison, Bainbridge, Bell, Betton, Mrs Birks, Bloxham, Bomford, Bowman (S), Mrs Bowman, Brown, Carrigan, Christian, Coleman, Crawford, Currie, Earp, Ellis, Mrs Ellis-Williams, Finlayson, Glendinning, Glover, Graham, Harid, Higgs, Layden, Mrs Mallinson, Mallinson (J), McDonald, Mrs McKerrell, McNulty, Mitchelson, Morton, Nedved, Mrs Parsons, Patrick, Ms Quilter, Mrs Riddle, Robson, Shepherd, Miss Sherriff, Sidgwick (S), Sidgwick (T), Southward, Stothard, Dr Tickner, Tinnion, Mrs Vasey, Mrs Warwick and Watson

[No Members voted against the motion of Councillor Dr Tickner]

It was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED that Council approved the formal Council Tax resolution as detailed in Report RD.44/18:

1. That it be noted that at its meeting on 5 March 2019 the City Council calculated the Council Tax Base 19/20:-
 - a) For the whole Council area as 33,850.60 (Item T in the formula in Section 31B(3) 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 below:

| Parish of: | |
|----------------------------------|------------------|
| Arthuret | 700.39 |
| Askerton | 54.72 |
| Beaumont | 194.46 |
| Bewcastle | 141.41 |
| Brampton | 1,537.22 |
| Burgh By Sands | 487.70 |
| Burtholme | 86.95 |
| Carlton & Cumrew | 57.83 |
| Castle Carrock | 139.00 |
| Cummersdale | 537.35 |
| Cumwhitton | 135.29 |
| Dalston | 1,167.08 |
| Denton Nether | 103.16 |
| Denton Upper | 33.60 |
| Farlam | 220.92 |
| Hayton | 865.86 |
| Hethersgill | 127.49 |
| Irthington | 315.23 |
| Kingmoor | 397.37 |
| Kingwater | 62.23 |
| Kirkandrews | 151.45 |
| Kirklington | 144.64 |
| Midgeholme | 23.98 |
| Nicholforest | 132.73 |
| Orton | 173.51 |
| Rockcliffe | 303.71 |
| Scaleby | 136.74 |
| Solport & Stapleton | 143.31 |
| Stanwix Rural | 1,356.11 |
| St Cuthbert Without | 1,720.51 |
| Walton | 104.82 |
| Waterhead | 48.60 |
| Westlinton | 136.16 |
| Wetheral | 2,522.29 |
| & for the urban area of CARLISLE | 19,386.78 |
| Total | 33,850.60 |

2. Calculate that the Council Tax requirement for the Council's own purposes for 2019/20 (excluding Parish Precepts) is £7,183,097

3. That the following amounts be now calculated by the City Council for the year 2019/20 in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (as amended):-
 - (a) 13,009,572 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) £3,388,648 Being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3) of the Act

- (c) £7,820,724 Being the amount by which the aggregate at 3(a) above exceeds the aggregate at 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 31A(4) of the Act).
- (d) £231.04 Being the amount at 3(c) above (Item R), all divided by Item T (1 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) £637,627 Being the aggregate amount of all special items (Parish Precepts) referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act.
- (f) £212.20 Being the amount at 3(d) above, less the result given by dividing the amount at 3(e) above by Item T (2 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 for dwellings in those parts of its area to which no Parish Precept relates.

4. To note that the County Council and the Police and Crime Commissioner for Cumbria have issued precepts 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 in the table below.
5. That the Council, in accordance with Sections 30 and 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the aggregate amounts shown in the tables below as the amounts of Council Tax for 2019/20 for each part of its area and for each of the categories of dwellings.

| BASIC AMOUNT OF COUNCIL TAX FOR CITY COUNCIL SERVICES APPLICABLE TO EACH CATEGORY OF DWELLING IN EACH PART OF | | | | | | | | |
|--|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| PART OF THE COUNCIL'S AREA | VALUATION BANDS | | | | | | | |
| | BAND A | BAND B | BAND C | BAND D | BAND E | BAND F | BAND G | BAND H |
| Parish of: | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| ARTHURET | 191.75 | 223.70 | 255.66 | 287.62 | 351.54 | 415.45 | 479.37 | 575.24 |
| ASKERTON | 141.47 | 165.04 | 188.62 | 212.20 | 259.36 | 306.51 | 353.67 | 424.40 |
| BEAUMONT | 168.04 | 196.03 | 224.04 | 252.05 | 308.07 | 364.07 | 420.09 | 504.10 |
| BEWCASTLE | 162.68 | 189.79 | 216.90 | 244.02 | 298.25 | 352.47 | 406.70 | 488.04 |
| BRAMPTON | 199.71 | 232.99 | 266.27 | 299.56 | 366.13 | 432.70 | 499.27 | 599.12 |
| BURGH BY SANDS | 163.85 | 191.15 | 218.46 | 245.77 | 300.39 | 355.00 | 409.62 | 491.54 |
| BURTHOLME | 159.87 | 186.51 | 213.15 | 239.80 | 293.09 | 346.38 | 399.67 | 479.60 |
| CARLATTON & CUMREW | 161.07 | 187.91 | 214.75 | 241.60 | 295.29 | 348.98 | 402.67 | 483.20 |
| CASTLE CARROCK | 168.51 | 196.59 | 224.67 | 252.76 | 308.93 | 365.10 | 421.27 | 505.52 |
| CUMMERSDALE | 156.26 | 182.30 | 208.34 | 234.39 | 286.48 | 338.56 | 390.65 | 468.78 |
| CUMWHITTON | 164.63 | 192.06 | 219.50 | 246.94 | 301.82 | 356.69 | 411.57 | 493.88 |
| DALSTON | 183.23 | 213.76 | 244.30 | 274.84 | 335.92 | 396.99 | 458.07 | 549.68 |
| DENTON NETHER | 189.94 | 221.58 | 253.24 | 284.90 | 348.22 | 411.52 | 474.84 | 569.80 |
| DENTON UPPER | 165.60 | 193.19 | 220.79 | 248.39 | 303.59 | 358.78 | 413.99 | 496.78 |
| FARLAM | 162.47 | 189.54 | 216.62 | 243.70 | 297.86 | 352.01 | 406.17 | 487.40 |
| HAYTON | 154.18 | 179.86 | 205.56 | 231.26 | 282.66 | 334.04 | 385.44 | 462.52 |
| HETHERSGILL | 178.08 | 207.75 | 237.43 | 267.11 | 326.47 | 385.82 | 445.19 | 534.22 |
| IRTHINGTON | 157.04 | 183.20 | 209.38 | 235.55 | 287.90 | 340.24 | 392.59 | 471.10 |
| KINGMOOR | 156.90 | 183.05 | 209.20 | 235.35 | 287.65 | 339.95 | 392.25 | 470.70 |
| KINGWATER | 151.86 | 177.17 | 202.48 | 227.79 | 278.41 | 329.03 | 379.65 | 455.58 |
| KIRKANDREWS | 178.76 | 208.54 | 238.34 | 268.13 | 327.72 | 387.30 | 446.89 | 536.26 |
| KIRKLINTON | 152.18 | 177.54 | 202.90 | 228.27 | 279.00 | 329.72 | 380.45 | 456.54 |
| MIDGEHOLME | 141.47 | 165.04 | 188.62 | 212.20 | 259.36 | 306.51 | 353.67 | 424.40 |
| NICHOLFOREST | 171.60 | 200.20 | 228.80 | 257.40 | 314.60 | 371.80 | 429.00 | 514.80 |
| ORTON | 166.44 | 194.18 | 221.92 | 249.66 | 305.14 | 360.62 | 416.10 | 499.32 |
| ROCKCLIFFE | 155.77 | 181.72 | 207.69 | 233.65 | 285.58 | 337.49 | 389.42 | 467.30 |
| SCALEBY | 167.80 | 195.75 | 223.72 | 251.69 | 307.63 | 363.55 | 419.49 | 503.38 |
| SOLPORT & STAPLETON | 154.50 | 180.24 | 205.99 | 231.74 | 283.24 | 334.73 | 386.24 | 463.48 |
| STANWIX RURAL | 164.33 | 191.71 | 219.10 | 246.49 | 301.27 | 356.04 | 410.82 | 492.98 |
| ST CUTHBERT WITHOUT | 150.96 | 176.12 | 201.28 | 226.44 | 276.76 | 327.08 | 377.40 | 452.88 |
| WALTON | 176.45 | 205.85 | 235.26 | 264.67 | 323.49 | 382.30 | 441.12 | 529.34 |
| WATERHEAD | 157.93 | 184.24 | 210.57 | 236.89 | 289.54 | 342.17 | 394.82 | 473.78 |
| WESTLINTON | 151.26 | 176.47 | 201.68 | 226.89 | 277.31 | 327.73 | 378.15 | 453.78 |
| WETHERAL | 180.59 | 210.68 | 240.78 | 270.88 | 331.08 | 391.27 | 451.47 | 541.76 |
| All other parts of the City Council's area | 141.47 | 165.04 | 188.62 | 212.20 | 259.36 | 306.51 | 353.67 | 424.40 |

| | VALUATION BANDS | | | | | | | |
|---|------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Precepting Authority | Band A | Band B | Band C | Band D | Band E | Band F | Band G | Band H |
| | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Cumbria County Council | 923.52 | 1,077.44 | 1,231.36 | 1,385.28 | 1,693.12 | 2,000.96 | 2,308.80 | 2,770.56 |
| Police & Crime Commissioner for Cumbria | 171.12 | 199.64 | 228.16 | 256.68 | 313.72 | 370.76 | 427.80 | 513.36 |

Aggregate of Council Tax requirements

| AMOUNT OF COUNCIL TAX TO BE LEVIED IN 2019/20 IN RESPECT OF EACH CATEGORY OF DWELLING IN EACH PART OF | | | | | | | | |
|--|-----------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| PART OF THE COUNCIL'S AREA | VALUATION BANDS | | BAND C | BAND D | BAND E | BAND F | BAND G | BAND H |
| | BAND A | BAND B | | | | | | |
| Parish of: | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| ARTHURET | 1,286.39 | 1,500.78 | 1,715.18 | 1,929.58 | 2,358.38 | 2,787.17 | 3,215.97 | 3,859.16 |
| ASKERTON | 1,236.11 | 1,442.12 | 1,648.14 | 1,854.16 | 2,266.20 | 2,678.23 | 3,090.27 | 3,708.32 |
| BEAUMONT | 1,262.68 | 1,473.11 | 1,683.56 | 1,894.01 | 2,314.91 | 2,735.79 | 3,156.69 | 3,788.02 |
| BEWCASTLE | 1,257.32 | 1,466.87 | 1,676.42 | 1,885.98 | 2,305.09 | 2,724.19 | 3,143.30 | 3,771.96 |
| BRAMPTON | 1,294.35 | 1,510.07 | 1,725.79 | 1,941.52 | 2,372.97 | 2,804.42 | 3,235.87 | 3,883.04 |
| BURGH BY SANDS | 1,258.49 | 1,468.23 | 1,677.98 | 1,887.73 | 2,307.23 | 2,726.72 | 3,146.22 | 3,775.46 |
| BURTHOLME | 1,254.51 | 1,463.59 | 1,672.67 | 1,881.76 | 2,299.93 | 2,718.10 | 3,136.27 | 3,763.52 |
| CARLATTON & CUMREW | 1,255.71 | 1,464.99 | 1,674.27 | 1,883.56 | 2,302.13 | 2,720.70 | 3,139.27 | 3,767.12 |
| CASTLE CARROCK | 1,263.15 | 1,473.67 | 1,684.19 | 1,894.72 | 2,315.77 | 2,736.82 | 3,157.87 | 3,789.44 |
| CUMMERSDALE | 1,250.90 | 1,459.38 | 1,667.86 | 1,876.35 | 2,293.32 | 2,710.28 | 3,127.25 | 3,752.70 |
| CUMWHITTON | 1,259.27 | 1,469.14 | 1,679.02 | 1,888.90 | 2,308.66 | 2,728.41 | 3,148.17 | 3,777.80 |
| DALSTON | 1,277.87 | 1,490.84 | 1,703.82 | 1,916.80 | 2,342.76 | 2,768.71 | 3,194.67 | 3,833.60 |
| DENTON NETHER | 1,284.58 | 1,498.66 | 1,712.76 | 1,926.86 | 2,355.06 | 2,783.24 | 3,211.44 | 3,853.72 |
| DENTON UPPER | 1,260.24 | 1,470.27 | 1,680.31 | 1,890.35 | 2,310.43 | 2,730.50 | 3,150.59 | 3,780.70 |
| FARLAM | 1,257.11 | 1,466.62 | 1,676.14 | 1,885.66 | 2,304.70 | 2,723.73 | 3,142.77 | 3,771.32 |
| HAYTON | 1,248.82 | 1,456.94 | 1,665.08 | 1,873.22 | 2,289.50 | 2,705.76 | 3,122.04 | 3,746.44 |
| HETHERSGILL | 1,272.72 | 1,484.83 | 1,696.95 | 1,909.07 | 2,333.31 | 2,757.54 | 3,181.79 | 3,818.14 |
| IRTHINGTON | 1,251.68 | 1,460.28 | 1,668.90 | 1,877.51 | 2,294.74 | 2,711.96 | 3,129.19 | 3,755.02 |
| KINGMOOR | 1,251.54 | 1,460.13 | 1,668.72 | 1,877.31 | 2,294.49 | 2,711.67 | 3,128.85 | 3,754.62 |
| KINGWATER | 1,246.50 | 1,454.25 | 1,662.00 | 1,869.75 | 2,285.25 | 2,700.75 | 3,116.25 | 3,739.50 |
| KIRKANDREWS | 1,273.40 | 1,485.62 | 1,697.86 | 1,910.09 | 2,334.56 | 2,759.02 | 3,183.49 | 3,820.18 |
| KIRKLINTON | 1,246.82 | 1,454.62 | 1,662.42 | 1,870.23 | 2,285.84 | 2,701.44 | 3,117.05 | 3,740.46 |
| MIDGEHOLME | 1,236.11 | 1,442.12 | 1,648.14 | 1,854.16 | 2,266.20 | 2,678.23 | 3,090.27 | 3,708.32 |
| NICHOLFOREST | 1,266.24 | 1,477.28 | 1,688.32 | 1,899.36 | 2,321.44 | 2,743.52 | 3,165.60 | 3,798.72 |
| ORTON | 1,261.08 | 1,471.26 | 1,681.44 | 1,891.62 | 2,311.98 | 2,732.34 | 3,152.70 | 3,783.24 |
| ROCKCLIFFE | 1,250.41 | 1,458.80 | 1,667.21 | 1,875.61 | 2,292.42 | 2,709.21 | 3,126.02 | 3,751.22 |
| SCALEBY | 1,262.44 | 1,472.83 | 1,683.24 | 1,893.65 | 2,314.47 | 2,735.27 | 3,156.09 | 3,787.30 |
| SOLPORT & STAPLETON | 1,249.14 | 1,457.32 | 1,665.51 | 1,873.70 | 2,290.08 | 2,706.45 | 3,122.84 | 3,747.40 |
| STANWIX RURAL | 1,258.97 | 1,468.79 | 1,678.62 | 1,888.45 | 2,308.11 | 2,727.76 | 3,147.42 | 3,776.90 |
| ST CUTHBERT WITHOUT | 1,245.60 | 1,453.20 | 1,660.80 | 1,868.40 | 2,283.60 | 2,698.80 | 3,114.00 | 3,736.80 |
| WALTON | 1,271.09 | 1,482.93 | 1,694.78 | 1,906.63 | 2,330.33 | 2,754.02 | 3,177.72 | 3,813.26 |
| WATERHEAD | 1,252.57 | 1,461.32 | 1,670.09 | 1,878.85 | 2,296.38 | 2,713.89 | 3,131.42 | 3,757.70 |
| WESTLINTON | 1,245.90 | 1,453.55 | 1,661.20 | 1,868.85 | 2,284.15 | 2,699.45 | 3,114.75 | 3,737.70 |
| WETHERAL | 1,275.23 | 1,487.76 | 1,700.30 | 1,912.84 | 2,337.92 | 2,762.99 | 3,188.07 | 3,825.68 |
| All other parts of the City Council's area | 1,236.11 | 1,442.12 | 1,648.14 | 1,854.16 | 2,266.20 | 2,678.23 | 3,090.27 | 3,708.32 |

Councillors Mrs Mallinson and Mrs Parsons left the meeting.

C.43/19 PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

Pursuant to Procedure Rule 10.11, the Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services reported that no petitions or deputations had been submitted by members of the public.

C.44/19 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Pursuant to Procedure Rule 11.2, the Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services reported the receipt of a question submitted on notice by Councillor Bainbridge:

Speaking at the invitation of the Mayor, Councillor Bainbridge asked the following question:

“Following changes in legislation in April 2018 regarding littering from vehicles on the public highway, could I be advised how many penalties for this offence were issued by Carlisle City Council in the last year?”

Councillor Southward thanked Councillor Bainbridge for his question, indicating that he could confirm that since April 2018 the City Council had issued 25 fixed penalty fines for the offence of littering from vehicles. That had generated income of £1,900 from fines:

- 3 no fines @ £100 each = £300
- 20 no fines @ £80 each = £1,600 (reduction for early payment)
- 2 no payments remained outstanding

It had not been necessary to pursue any such cases through the Court this year.

Councillor Southward stated that, as Members may be aware, the City Council had always had powers under the Environmental Protection Act 1990 (EPA 1990 Section 87) to issue fines for littering from vehicles.

The new powers and the resultant positive media attention was welcomed. Where sufficient evidence was in place, the authority could now hold the vehicle keeper to account for littering offences committed by the driver / passengers in the vehicle. Previously, should the keeper of the vehicle refuse to identify the driver at the time or the passenger responsible, then it was not always possible to take enforcement action.

Councillor Southward explained that the new power alluded to allowed the authority to take enforcement action against the vehicle keeper where it had clear evidence, such as video footage from a dash-cam. Eye-witness accounts, on their own, say from members of the public, were not always sufficient to present a robust case and the strength of each case had to be determined on its own merits. The new power treated the littering offence as a ‘civil’ rather than a ‘criminal’ matter; therefore, there was a right of appeal to an independent adjudicator / tribunal which may come down on the side of the motorist should there be any doubt over the ‘validity / weight’ of the evidence presented. Officers would therefore determine which was the best option in terms of pursuing the case and many Councils were continuing to use the pre-existing legislation under the EPA 1990. Should people then challenge fines issued, the case could be referred to the Magistrates’ Court where a fine of up to £2,500 could be issued, as well as leaving with a criminal record. From April 2019 the fines for both the civil and criminal offence would be the same i.e. £150.

The City Council’s enforcement officers would welcome reports of littering offences, particularly where they could be backed up with video evidence and they would use all the powers at their disposal to tackle that anti-social behaviour, which was also an environmental crime.

Councillor Southward believed that Members may wish to join him in thanking the City Council staff involved in the recent programme of litter picking from roadside verges on some of the key routes across Carlisle. The teams had collected over 100 bags of litter per day in what could be a risky operation with staff working close to high speed traffic.

It was an important task but sadly one that was totally avoidable should the minority of selfish motorists simply take their litter home with them instead of throwing it out of the window where it created an unsightly image of Carlisle, damaged local wildlife habitats, and was expensive to clean up, diverting the staff members away from their core tasks.

In accordance with Procedure Rule 11.6, the Mayor invited Councillor Bainbridge to ask a supplementary question should he so wish.

Councillor Bainbridge welcomed the hard work undertaken by staff members over many months and questioned whether there were any plans to introduce proposals whereby offenders picked up the rubbish.

Councillor Southward replied that, although there were no immediate plans of that nature, he would bear that in mind.

C.45/19 EXECUTIVE

Councillor Glover formally moved that the Minutes of the meetings of the Executive held on 16 January and 11 February 2019 be received and adopted.

In response to a question, the Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services explained the process / timescales around the inclusion of Minutes within the current Minute Book.

Referring to the Minutes of the Joint Management Team meeting held on 16 January 2019, and in response to a question, Councillor Glover advised that the report provided related to the development of the City Centre Masterplan. When prepared the Masterplan would come before Council in the normal way.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the meetings of the Executive held on 16 January and 11 February 2019 be received and adopted.

C.46/19 PORTFOLIO HOLDER REPORTS

Copies of reports from the following Portfolio Holders had been circulated prior to the meeting:

Leader
Finance, Governance and Resources
Culture, Heritage and Leisure
Communities, Health and Wellbeing
Environment and Transport
Economy, Enterprise and Housing

The Leader; the Culture, Heritage and Leisure Portfolio Holder; the Communities, Health and Wellbeing Portfolio Holder; and the Environment and Transport Portfolio Holder formally moved their reports.

The Deputy Leader, and Finance, Governance and Resources Portfolio Holder formally moved his report. In so doing, he drew Members' attention to the Celebration of Learning event which had taken place on 31 January 2019 and celebrated over 50 employees achieving a recognised formal qualification. The Deputy Leader commented upon a particular Officer who had been appointed to the authority as an apprentice and whom, with determination and support, now

held a managerial role. That was just one example of the tremendous support provided by the Council to its employees.

The Deputy Leader also highlighted the 'Time to Talk' day on 7 February 2019, expressing the hope that a Members' Ambassador may also be put in place to provide support.

The Economy, Enterprise and Housing Portfolio Holder formally moved her report highlighting, in particular, the update provided on the St Cuthbert's Garden Village and Carlisle Southern Link Road.

The projects were extremely important in terms of the economic growth of Carlisle and the Portfolio Holder expressed thanks to all those involved and especially Officers of this Council.

Members questioned individual Portfolio Holders on details of their reports and it was:

RESOLVED – (1) That the reports of the Portfolio Holders be received.

(2) That the Culture, Heritage and Leisure Portfolio Holder arrange to:

- (a) Provide a written response to Councillor Earp setting out the anticipated timeframe for distribution of the new Carlisle Promotional Brochures to key locations around the north of England. [Councillor Earp also considered it important that all Members had sight thereof].
- (b) Respond to Councillor Tinnion in writing clarifying whether she was aware of or considering locating a 3D unit, of a type similar to that in place in Allerdale, in the Airport and also in some of the major tourist centres; the response in include details of costings.

(3) That the Communities, Health and Wellbeing Portfolio Holder furnish Councillor Currie with a written explanation of the manner by which the Food Carlisle logo had been developed, including how the colouring of the 'healthy' colour palettes had been arrived at.

(4) That the Environment and Transport Portfolio Holder:

- (a) Give consideration to potential information sharing between the City Council and Allerdale Borough Council on enforcement action in relation to dog fouling offences, as suggested by Councillor Morton.
- (b) Arrange to investigate whether the litter collected from highway verges is separated for recycling purposes and respond accordingly to Councillor Mrs Parsons.
- (c) Consider the installation of a graffiti board as part of the upcoming works at Carlisle Skate Park as suggested by Councillor Bomford.

C.47/19 SCRUTINY MINUTES AND SCRUTINY CHAIRMEN'S REPORTS

(a) Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Panel

Councillor Sidgwick (S) moved and Councillor Harid seconded that the Minutes of the Meetings of the Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Panel held on 10 January and 7 February 2019 be received and adopted.

Councillors Sidgwick (S) and Tinnion further responded to a question concerning the absence of the Panel Chairman and failure to submit his report to Council this evening.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the Meetings of the Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Panel held on 10 January and 7 February 2019 be received and adopted.

(b) Business and Transformation Scrutiny Panel

Councillor Mrs Birks moved and Councillor Mrs Ellis-Williams seconded that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Business and Transformation Scrutiny Panel held on 3 January 2019 be received and adopted.

Councillor Mrs Birks also presented her Chairman's Report.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Business and Transformation Scrutiny Panel held on 3 January 2019 together with the Chairman's Report be received and adopted.

(c) Economic Growth Scrutiny Panel

Councillor Nedved moved and Councillor Coleman seconded that the Minutes of the Meetings of the Economic Growth Scrutiny Panel held on 22 November 2018 (amended) and 17 January 2019 be received and adopted.

Councillor Nedved presented his Chairman's report and responded to a Member's question.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the meetings of the Economic Growth Scrutiny Panel held on 22 November 2018 (amended) and 17 January 2019 together with the Chairman's Report be received and adopted.

C.48/19 REGULATORY PANEL

Councillor Bell moved and Councillor Mrs Ellis-Williams seconded that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Regulatory Panel held on 19 December 2018 be received and adopted.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Regulatory Panel held on 19 December 2018 be received and adopted.

C.49/19 DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE

Councillor Sidgwick (T) moved and Councillor Sidgwick (S) seconded the receipt and adoption of the Minutes of the Meetings of the Development Control Committee held on 21 and 23 November 2018; and 9 and 11 January 2019.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the Meetings of the Development Control Committee held on 21 and 23 November 2018; and 9 and 11 January 2019 be received and adopted.

C.50/19 AUDIT COMMITTEE

Councillor Bomford moved and Councillor Higgs seconded that the Minutes of the Audit Committee Meeting held on 17 December 2018 be received and adopted.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Audit Committee held on 17 December 2018 be received and adopted.

C.51/19 EMPLOYMENT PANEL

Councillor Glover moved and Councillor Stothard seconded that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Employment Panel held on 11 February 2019 be received and adopted.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Employment Panel held on 11 February 2019 be received and adopted.

C.52/19 RESPONSE TO THE SANDS CENTRE MOTION (6 NOVEMBER 2018)

Consideration was given to a report of the Deputy Chief Executive (CS.11/19), the purpose of which was to respond to the Motion concerning the redevelopment of the Sands Centre carried by Council on 6 November 2018.

Councillor Glover began by expressing thanks to those Officers who had undertaken further work to bring forward the report for the benefit of the Members concerned.

Councillor Glover then presented the report informing Members that, subsequent to the Motion being carried, the Sands Centre extension (and temporary facilities) applications for planning permission had been considered by Development Control Committee and permission granted to proceed, subject to a small number of site-specific conditions.

The report before Members this evening sought to clarify the actions which had been taken during the project to examine alternative sites for this major project and explain the outcomes of those exercises.

The report further built upon the Informal Council briefing held 22 January 2019 where the Sands Centre Project Team explained the choice of site and outlined the key design elements related to potential flood issues.

Having again reviewed these documents, the Council had already fully examined all other potential sites, to note that none were more suitable; and that the primary consultee on matters of flooding (the Environment Agency) was satisfied with the work undertaken.

Councillor Glover reported that a decision on the bid for funding submitted to Sport England was expected tomorrow.

Councillor Glover concluded by formally moving the recommendation that Council review the report and agree to move forward into the next planned stage of the project as agreed by Council on 6 March 2018.

Members raised a number of questions in discussion, to which Councillor Glover responded.

Councillor Ellis thanked the Deputy Chief Executive for his work.

RESOLVED – That, having reviewed Report CS.11/19, Council agrees to move forward into the next planned stage of the project as agreed by Council 6 March 2018.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

The Mayor noted that the meeting had been in progress for 3 hours; and moved that Council Procedure Rule 9, in relation to the duration of meetings be suspended in order that the meeting could continue to enable the remaining items of business to be transacted, and it was:

AGREED that the meeting should continue beyond three hours in duration to enable the remaining items of business to be transacted.

C.53/19 PROPOSALS FROM THE EXECUTIVE IN RELATION TO THE COUNCIL'S BUDGET AND POLICY FRAMEWORK

Capital Budget Overview and Monitoring Report – April to December 2018

Pursuant to Minute EX.15/19, consideration was given to a recommendation from the Executive that the City Council approve reprofiling of £982,100 as detailed in paragraph 3.3 and Appendix A to Report RD.36/18 from 2018/19 into 2019/20.

A copy of Report RD.36/18 and relevant Minute Extracts had been circulated.

Councillor Dr Tickner presented the report in some detail before formally moving the recommendation; and it was:

RESOLVED – That the City Council approved reprofiling of £982,100 as detailed in paragraph 3.3 and Appendix A to Report RD.36/18 from 2018/19 into 2019/20.

C.54/19 PAY POLICY STATEMENT 2019/20

Pursuant to Minute EMP.05/19, consideration was given to a recommendation from the Employment Panel that the City Council approves the 2019/20 Policy Statement on Chief Officers' Pay. A copy of report RD.45/18 and the Minute Extract had been circulated.

Councillor Glover presented the report and formally moved the recommendation.

Councillor Glover also responded to a Member's question, and it was:

RESOLVED – That the 2019/20 Policy Statement on Chief Officers' Pay be approved.

C.55/19 OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PROCEDURE RULES CALL-IN AND URGENCY

Pursuant to Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 15(i), consideration was given to a report of the Corporate Director of Governance and Regulatory Services (GD.09/19) on procedures in respect of occasions where decisions taken by the Executive were urgent.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

C.56/19 COMMUNICATIONS

There were no communications or items of business brought forward by the Mayor as a matter of urgency to be dealt with at the meeting.

[The meeting ended at 9.47 pm]