

## PROCEEDINGS

A meeting of the Lancaster City Council was held in the Town Hall, Morecambe, at 6.00 p.m. on Wednesday, 2 March 2016, when the following Members were present:-

Jon Barry (Mayor)

Sam Armstrong

Lucy Atkinson

Alan Biddulph

Carla Brayshaw

Tracy Brown

Susie Charles

Brett Cooper

Sheila Denwood

Charlie Edwards

Nigel Goodrich

Janet Hall

Janice Hanson

Helen Helme

Joan Jackson

Ronnie Kershaw

James Leyshon

Roger Mace

Terrie Metcalfe

Rebecca Novell

Margaret Pattison

Sylvia Rogerson

Elizabeth Scott

David Smith

Malcolm Thomas

David Whitaker

John Wild

Peter Williamson

Paul Woodruff

Caroline Jackson (Deputy Mayor)

June Ashworth

Stuart Bateson

Eileen Blamire

Dave Brookes

Abbott Bryning

Darren Clifford

Claire Cozler

Rob Devey

Andrew Gardiner

Mel Guilding

Tim Hamilton-Cox

Colin Hartley

Brendan Hughes

Andrew Kay

Geoff Knight

Karen Leytham

Matt Mann

Abi Mills

Jane Parkinson

Robert Redfern

Ron Sands

Roger Sherlock

Susan Sykes

Andrew Warriner

Anne Whitehead

Nicholas Wilkinson

Phillippa Williamson

Peter Yates

**129 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

**130 MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 3 February 2016 were signed by the Mayor as a correct record subject to the correction of an error on minute 128; the seconder being Councillor Whitehead, not Councillor Warriner.

**131 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Novell declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in relation to Marsh Community Centre referred to in the Budget and Policy Framework update report, Housing Revenue Account, as the Manager of the Centre.

**132 ANNOUNCEMENTS - COUNCILLOR GEORGE ASKEW**

The Mayor reminded Members of the sad death of Councillor George Askew.

George had been elected to the Carnforth and Millhead ward in November 2015 and passed away suddenly on Saturday 13 February. George would be sadly missed by his fiancé, father, brother, sister and many friends.

**133 ANNOUNCEMENTS - COUNCILLOR RICHARD NEWMAN-THOMPSON**

The Mayor reminded Members of the recent death of Councillor Richard Newman-Thompson. Richard passed away in the early hours of Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February after a long illness. He was elected to represent the John O'Gaunt Ward on the City Council in May 2011 but had previously served on the Council from 1995 to 1999 when he met his wife Rose. Rose sadly passed away in March 2014. He left behind his sister Helen.

**134 ANNOUNCEMENTS - FORMER COUNCILLOR IVOR H THOMPSON**

The Mayor informed Council of the death of former Councillor Ivor H Thompson in Leicester. Ivor was Deputy-Mayor in 1998-99.

*Members stood in a minute's silence in their memory.*

**135 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 11**

The Mayor advised that no questions had been received from members of the public in accordance with the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 11.

**136 PETITIONS AND ADDRESSES**

The Mayor informed Members that no petitions or requests to address Council had been received from members of the public.

**137 NOTION OF MOTION- FLOODING**

The following motion of which notice had been given to the Chief Executive in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 15 was moved by Councillor Devey and seconded by Councillor Whitaker:-

"This Council:

- Expresses its thanks to everyone involved in the response to December's floods, including the emergency services, businesses, council officers and members of the community.
- Welcomes the efforts currently underway by the council to assist in identifying what improvements can be made to help prevent the flooding and power cuts experienced in the Lancaster district in December from happening again – and asks officers for an overview of these and a further update by July.
- Affirms this council's commitment to continuing to work with lead flood authority Lancashire County Council, the Environment Agency and other agencies to secure funding for the necessary improvements.
- Agrees that flood defences should be designed to cope with much greater unprecedented volumes of rainfall given the evidence of new volatility in British weather conditions.
- Recognises that investment to prevent flooding in the first place is a better use of taxpayers money than the huge financial and human costs involved in dealing with the aftermath of flooding.
- Urges the Government to ensure that necessary funding is provided to implement recommended improvements to flood defences in the Lancaster district."

An officer briefing note had been supplied to assist Councillors.

At the conclusion of the debate a vote was taken and the motion was clearly carried.

**Resolved:-**

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138 **APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR ELECT**

The Chief Executive advised that he had contacted Councillor Robert Redfern, being the most senior Member of the City Council, who had indicated that he would be happy to accept the office of Mayor if offered by the Council.

It was then moved by Councillor Sherlock and seconded by Councillor Ashworth:

"That Councillor Robert Redfern be invited to hold the office of Mayor of the City of Lancaster for the Municipal Year 2016/17."

A vote was taken on the motion which was carried unanimously.

***Resolved unanimously:***

- (1) That Councillor Robert Redfern be invited to hold the office of Mayor of the City of Lancaster for the Municipal Year 2016/17.

**139 REVIEW OF PART 3, SECTION 2 OF THE CONSTITUTION**

The Monitoring Officer submitted a report requesting Council to approve amendments to Part 3 Section 2 of the Constitution.

Councillor Blamire proposed, seconded by Councillor Leyshon:

“That Part 3 Section 2 of the Constitution be replaced with the revised version appended to the report.”

There was no debate and the proposition was clearly carried when put to the vote.

***Resolved:***

- (1) That Part 3 Section 2 of the Constitution be replaced with the revised version appended to the report.

**140 LEADER'S REPORT**

The Leader presented her report updating Members on various issues since her last report to Council and responded to a question from a Member.

***Resolved:***

That the report be noted.

**141 BUDGET FRAMEWORK 2016/2020**

The Mayor explained that in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 20.7, which was introduced in February 2014 to comply with regulations, a recorded vote would be taken in respect of budget setting, and recommendations (1) & (2) of the report would be ‘budget decisions’ within the terms of the regulations.

Councillor Blamire proposed, seconded by Councillor Whitehead:

“That recommendations (1) & (2), as set out in the supplementary report, be approved.”

By way of an amendment to recommendation (2), Councillor Mace proposed, and Councillor Wilkinson seconded:

“This Council recognises that a £5 million investment in Salt Ayre is the largest single investment this council will likely make in the next 10 years.

This Council acknowledges that officers have noted that Cabinet were only consulted on the proposed Salt Ayre development at two Cabinet meetings with a 2 year gap between these two meetings.

These dates were:

21st January 2014 - Cabinet meeting

19th January 2016 - Cabinet meeting

Members have been presented with a business case for Salt Ayre which does not include:

- Any measurable objectives outlining what benefit the District will receive by investing £5 million in Salt Ayre or any reasons why the council should be undertaking this project
- A robust financial appraisal of the proposed option which takes into account the life of the asset compared to the estimated income over the life of the asset (therefore council are not able to say whether the £5 million will ever be paid back)
- A robust options appraisal taking into account other methods of delivering the presumed objectives for the investment

Members therefore do not have the correct information to make an informed decision on the investment in Salt Ayre.

This council therefore agrees that best practice should be followed when investing tax payers money and that a business case should be brought back to full council as soon as possible (so as not to delay the project). The business case should include:

- Clear and measurable objectives for the project
- A robust appraisal of the options available to deliver the objectives (including alternatives)
- A robust financial appraisal which clearly sets out the full cost over the life of the project against the estimated income to be received

Council therefore asks that if necessary to give effect to this amendment, the Salt Ayre project be removed from the budget and the use of reserves amended accordingly, pending consideration of the full business case by Council.”

The Chief Officer (Resources) and Chief Officer (Health & Housing) responded to questions. There was a lengthy debate and at the conclusion of the debate Members voted on the amendment and it was lost.

Councillor Hamilton-Cox proposed and Councillor Brookes seconded:

“That the amendment on Salt Ayre be revised with the deletion of the second bullet point ‘*a robust appraisal of the options available to deliver the objectives (including alternatives)*’ and a report back to full Council on 23rd March 2016.”

***At the request of Councillor Clifford the Mayor agreed to a brief adjournment at this point:  
The meeting adjourned at 7.55pm and reconvened at 8.10pm.***

The amendment was withdrawn when the meeting resumed.

By way of amendment to recommendation (2) Councillor Mace proposed, seconded by Councillor Thomas:

“In view of the perception that the proposed recharging of the elections cost to Parishes would have adverse effects on the willingness of potential Parish Council candidates to put themselves forward for election, this Council removes the proposed £8000 saving from recharging the election cost in 2019-20 (leaving only the proposed saving of £6100 for recharging for the Nomination Stage of the election process) and adjusts Annex 1 accordingly.”

There was an extensive debate on the amendment before it was put to the vote and lost with 26 Members voting for the amendment and 32 against.

By way of a further amendment to recommendation (2) Councillor Hamilton-Cox proposed, seconded by Councillor Caroline Jackson:

“That Full council accepts that residents have no control over bins and boxes put out for collection on the public highway. But full council recognises the increasingly severe budgetary constraints under which Environmental Services is operating and that the cost of supplying replacement bins and boxes where they are lost or stolen reduces the resources available to other services. Accordingly full council asks officers to allow one replacement grey bin and set of recycling boxes per household per financial year where the household can reasonably demonstrate that the bin or box was stolen. Further, full council mandates officers to ensure that bins and boxes delivered from 1st April have the household's address clearly marked; that address labels are made available from the Council free of charge; and that an active campaign to encourage householders to mark their bins and boxes is undertaken, including by councillors in their wards.

Full council mandates that any extra cost arising from the policy relative to the budget assumption is taken from unallocated balances.”

There was a short debate on the amendment before it was put to the vote and clearly lost.

Councillor Hamilton-Cox proposed an amendment to recommendation (2), seconded by Councillor Mace:

“That Full council recognises the health and wellbeing benefits of maintaining operation of the community pools in Heysham, Carnforth and Hornby and the value of those pools as recreation hubs in their local communities. Accordingly, full council mandates officers to engage with users of the pools, Lancashire county council officials, county councillors for the respective divisions, city ward councillors, local schools and community organisations over a period of 6 months to ascertain whether realistic plans for transition of the individual pool assets to community ownership are feasible and to report back to full council on or before 9th November 2016.”

There was a short debate on the amendment before it was put to the vote and clearly carried.

Councillor Hamilton-Cox proposed an amendment to recommendation (2), seconded by Councillor Caroline Jackson:

“That Full council recognises the environmental advantages of encouraging residents and businesses to sign up for e-billing (receiving bills by email) as well as reducing paper, printing, envelope and postage costs. Accordingly full council mandates that officers include information on council tax and business rate bills to encourage the switch to electronic billing where this is convenient to residents and otherwise actively market the option; that councillors do their bit in encouraging the switch amongst residents in their wards; and that the council agrees to sponsor one tree for every ten households or businesses which sign up, following the example of Broadland DC.”

A vote was taken on the amendment after a short debate, which was clearly lost.

An amendment to recommendation (1) was proposed by Councillor Gardiner and seconded by Councillor Guilding:

“Council notes that a proposal to increase Council Tax has been brought forward for decision today. For many years, the decisions about the budget have been split between two meetings for operational reasons.

Council therefore rejects the Cabinet's current proposal for a further increase as for operational reasons, it has been considered too complex to deal with both the raising and the spending of council tax revenue at the same meeting."

After a short debate and clarification from the Chief Officer (Resources) regarding the reasons why the decision had been brought to the meeting, the amendment was put to the vote and lost.

The Mayor called for recorded votes in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 19.7 with respect to recommendations (1) and the amended recommendation (2).

The votes were recorded for recommendation (1) as follows:

For the proposition

Councillors Armstrong, Atkinson, Barry, Biddulph, Blamire, Brayshaw, Brookes, Brown, Bryning, Clifford, Cozler, Denwood, Devey, Hall, Hamilton-Cox, Hanson, Hartley, Hughes, Caroline Jackson, Kay, Kershaw, Leyshon, Leytham, Mann, Metcalfe, Mills, Novell, Pattison, Redfern, Sands, Scott, Sherlock, Smith, Warriner, Whitaker, Whitehead and Wilkinson (37)

Against the proposition

Councillors Bateson, Charles, Cooper, Edwards, Gardiner, Goodrich, Guilding, Helme, Joan Jackson, Mace, Parkinson, Rogerson, Sykes, Thomas, Wild, Peter Williamson, Phillippa Williamson, Woodruff and Yates (19)

Abstentions

Councillors Ashworth and Knight (2)

The Mayor declared the proposition carried.

The Mayor called for a recorded vote on recommendation (2) as amended regarding the Community Pools.

For the proposition

Councillors Armstrong, Atkinson, Biddulph, Blamire, Brayshaw, Brown, Bryning, Clifford, Cozler, Denwood, Devey, Hall, Hanson, Hartley, Hughes, Kay, Kershaw, Leyshon, Leytham, Mann, Metcalfe, Pattison, Redfern, Sands, Scott, Sherlock, Smith, Warriner, Whitaker and Whitehead (30).

Against the proposition

Councillors Barry, Bateson, Charles, Cooper, Edwards, Gardiner, Goodrich, Guilding, Helme, Caroline Jackson, Joan Jackson, Mace, Novell, Parkinson, Rogerson, Sykes, Thomas, Wild, Wilkinson, Peter Williamson, Phillippa Williamson, Woodruff and Yates (23)

Abstentions

Councillors Ashworth, Brookes, Hamilton-Cox, Knight and Mills (5).

The Mayor declared the proposition to be carried.

Councillor Blamire moved and Councillor Whitehead seconded:

"That recommendations (3) & (4), as set out in the supplementary report be approved.

The Mayor took the votes on recommendations 3 (a) to (f) and recommendation (4) separately. Each of the recommendations were carried.

**Resolved:**

- (1) That, in light of the extra flexibility in the 2016/17 council tax referendum thresholds provided by the Government through the final Finance Settlement, a City Council basic Band D tax increase of £5 be approved for 2016/17, together with a year on year Band D target increase of £5 for future years, subject to future local referendum thresholds.
- (2)
  - (a) That the General Fund Revenue Budget of £16.258M for 2016/17 be approved, resulting in a Council Tax Requirement of £8.296M excluding parish precepts, and a Band D basic City Council tax rate of £208.97.
  - (b) That Full council recognises the health and wellbeing benefits of maintaining operation of the community pools in Heysham, Carnforth and Hornby and the value of those pools as recreation hubs in their local communities. Accordingly, full council mandates officers to engage with users of the pools, Lancashire county council officials, county councillors for the respective divisions, city ward councillors, local schools and community organisations over a period of 6 months to ascertain whether realistic plans for transition of the individual pool assets to community ownership are feasible and to report back to full council on or before 9th November 2016.
- (3) That the Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) be approved, as set out at Appendix A to the report, with Council agreeing the following:
  - (a) That the supporting General Fund revenue budget proposals be approved, as summarised at Annexes 1 and 9 of the report.
  - (b) That the Housing Revenue Account budgets and future years' projections be approved, as set out at Annex 2 of the report.
  - (c) That the Policy and Statement on Provisions and Reserves be approved, as set out at Annexes 3 and 4 of the report.
  - (d) That the General Fund Capital Programme be approved, as set out at Annex 5 of the report.
  - (e) That the Council Housing Capital Programme be approved, as set out at Annex 6 of the supplementary report.
  - (f) That the budget transfer (virements and carry forwards) limits be approved, as set out at Annex 7 of the report.
- (4) That Council notes the Section 151 Officer's advice regarding robustness of budget estimates, the adequacy of reserves and balances and the affordability of borrowing.

**142 TREASURY MANAGEMENT**

Councillor Blamire introduced the report of Cabinet on the Treasury Management Strategy 2016/17. The report sought Council's approval for the Council's Treasury Management Framework for 2016/17, including all the various elements as required under relevant legislation and the associated Code of Practice.

Members asked questions and the Chief Officer (Resources) responded.

Councillor Whitehead proposed, seconded by Councillor Blamire:



“That the Treasury Management Framework and associated Prudential Indicators, as set out in Appendices A to C of the report, be approved.”

There was no debate and a vote was taken on the motion, which was carried.

**Resolved:**

- (1) That the Treasury Management Framework and associated Prudential Indicators, as set out in Appendices A to C of the report, be approved.

143 **COUNCIL TAX 2016/2017**

Council considered a report submitted by the Chief Officer (Resources) regarding Council Tax 2016/17. The report sought Council’s approval for the 2016/17 council tax rates for the district.

Councillor Whitehead proposed, seconded by Councillor Blamire:

“That the recommendations, as set out in the report, be approved.”

There was no debate. A vote was taken and the motion was carried.

**Resolved:**

- (1) That it be noted that, under delegated powers in accordance with section 84 of the Local Government Act 2003, the following amounts have been calculated for the year 2016/17, in accordance with the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) Regulations 1992 (as amended) made under section 33(5) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (the “Act”):

(a) 39,700.00 being the amount of its council tax base for the whole district [item T in the formula in section 31B of the Act];

(b) 16,256.63 being the amount of its council tax base for the non-parished part of the district; and

(c)

<i>Parish</i>	<i>Tax Base</i>	<i>Parish</i>	<i>Tax Base</i>
Arkholme-with-Cawood	171.39	Over Kellet	343.43
Bolton-le-Sands	1,615.85	Over Wyresdale	124.66
Borwick	89.31	Overton	343.31
Burrow-with-Burrow	88.05	Priest Hutton	89.40
Cantsfield	57.25	Quernmore	232.72
Carnforth	1,571.79	Roeburndale	21.47
Caton-with-Littledale	1,045.49	Scotforth	141.59
Claughton	51.24	Silverdale	810.80
Cockerham	270.65	Slyne-with-Hest	1,285.48
Ellel	936.97	Tatham	215.46
Gressingham	84.31	Thurnham	235.82
Halton-with-Aughton	935.58	Tunstall	62.17
Heaton-with-Oxcliffe	659.07	Warton	840.50
Hornby-with-Farleton	336.40	Wennington	56.05
Ireby and Leck	108.89	Whittington	171.17
Melling-with-Wrayton	143.36	Wray-with-Botton	207.85

Middleton	212.25	Yealand Conyers	105.93
Morecambe Town Council	9,359.29	Yealand Redmayne	153.88
Nether Kellet	264.54		

being the amounts of its council tax base for each parish within the district.

- (2) That in accordance with section 35 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, it be noted that there are no expenses to be treated as the City Council's special expenses.
- (3) That the following amounts be now calculated by the City Council for the year 2016/17 in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Act, as amended by the Localism Act 2011:
- (a) £138,791,592.45 being the aggregate of the amounts which the City 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) £129,950,107.00 being the aggregate of the amounts which the City Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3) of the Act;
  - (c) £8,841,485.45 being the amount by which the aggregate at 3(a) above exceeds the aggregate at 3(b) above, calculated by the City 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 31B of the Act];
  - (d) £545,485.45 being the aggregate amount of all special items (parish precepts) referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act;
  - (e) £8,296,000.00 being the council tax requirement for the Council's own purposes for 2016/17 (excluding parish precepts);
  - (f) £222.71 being the amount at 3(c) above [Item R], all divided by the amount at 1(a) above [Item T], calculated by the City Council, in accordance with section 31B of the Act, as the basic amount of its council tax for the year (including parish precepts);
  - (g) £208.97 being the amount at 3(f) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 3(d) above by the amount at 1(a) above, calculated by the City 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 district to which no parish precept relates.
  - (h)

<i>Parish</i>	<i>Tax Rate £</i>	<i>Parish</i>	<i>Tax Rate £</i>
Arkholme-with-Cawood	229.23	Over Kellet	232.56
Bolton-le-Sands	227.93	Over Wyresdale	220.20
Borwick	220.17	Overton	236.94
Burrow-with-Burrow	226.01	Priest Hutton	231.34
Cantsfield	212.46	Quernmore	223.15
Carnforth	231.36	Roeburndale	208.97
Caton-with-Littledale	237.13	Scotforth	221.12
Cloughton	208.97	Silverdale	233.51
Cockerham	238.53	Slyne-with-Hest	247.09
Ellel	236.37	Tatham	229.26
Gressingham	224.39	Thurnham	228.48
Halton-with-Aughton	239.00	Tunstall	261.89
Heaton-with-Oxcliffe	222.22	Warton	230.64
Hornby-with-Farleton	247.61	Wennington	304.90
Ireby and Leck	253.81	Whittington	230.18
Melling-with-Wrayton	269.20	Wray-with-Botton	247.74
Middleton	237.24	Yealand Conyers	232.57
Morecambe Town Council	228.56	Yealand Redmayne	240.23
Nether Kellet	233.54		

being the amounts given by adding to the amount at 3(g) above the amounts of the parish precepts relating to dwellings in those parts of the district mentioned above, divided in each case by the relevant amount at 1(c) above, calculated by the City Council, in accordance with Section 34(3) of the Act, as the basic amounts of its council tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of the district to which parish precepts relate.

## (i) VALUATION BANDS

Area	Band A £	Band B £	Band C £	Band D £	Band E £	Band F £	Band G £	Band H £
Non Parished Area	139.31	162.53	185.75	208.97	255.41	301.85	348.28	417.94
Arkholme-with-Cawood	152.82	178.29	203.76	229.23	280.17	331.11	382.05	458.46
Bolton-le-Sands	151.95	177.28	202.60	227.93	278.58	329.23	379.88	455.86
Borwick	146.78	171.24	195.71	220.17	269.10	318.02	366.95	440.34
Burrow-with-Burrow	150.67	175.79	200.90	226.01	276.23	326.46	376.68	452.02
Cantsfield	141.64	165.25	188.85	212.46	259.67	306.89	354.10	424.92
Carnforth	154.24	179.95	205.65	231.36	282.77	334.19	385.60	462.72
Caton-with-Littledale	158.09	184.43	210.78	237.13	289.83	342.52	395.22	474.26
Cloughton	139.31	162.53	185.75	208.97	255.41	301.85	348.28	417.94
Cockerham	159.02	185.52	212.03	238.53	291.54	344.54	397.55	477.06
Ellel	157.58	183.84	210.11	236.37	288.90	341.42	393.95	472.74
Gressingham	149.59	174.53	199.46	224.39	274.25	324.12	373.98	448.78
Halton-with-Aughton	159.33	185.89	212.44	239.00	292.11	345.22	398.33	478.00
Heaton-with-Oxcliffe	148.15	172.84	197.53	222.22	271.60	320.98	370.37	444.44
Hornby-with-Farleton	165.07	192.59	220.10	247.61	302.63	357.66	412.68	495.22
Ireby and Leck	169.21	197.41	225.61	253.81	310.21	366.61	423.02	507.62
Melling-with-Wrayton	179.47	209.38	239.29	269.20	329.02	388.84	448.67	538.40
Middleton	158.16	184.52	210.88	237.24	289.96	342.68	395.40	474.48
Morecambe Town Council	152.37	177.77	203.16	228.56	279.35	330.14	380.93	457.12
Nether Kellet	155.69	181.64	207.59	233.54	285.44	337.34	389.23	467.08
Over Kellet	155.04	180.88	206.72	232.56	284.24	335.92	387.60	465.12
Over Wyresdale	146.80	171.27	195.73	220.20	269.13	318.07	367.00	440.40
Overton	157.96	184.29	210.61	236.94	289.59	342.25	394.90	473.88
Priest Hutton	154.23	179.93	205.64	231.34	282.75	334.16	385.57	462.68
Quernmore	148.77	173.56	198.36	223.15	272.74	322.33	371.92	446.30
Roeburndale	139.31	162.53	185.75	208.97	255.41	301.85	348.28	417.94
Scotforth	147.41	171.98	196.55	221.12	270.26	319.40	368.53	442.24
Silverdale	155.67	181.62	207.56	233.51	285.40	337.29	389.18	467.02
Slyne-with-Hest	164.73	192.18	219.64	247.09	302.00	356.91	411.82	494.18
Tatham	152.84	178.31	203.79	229.26	280.21	331.15	382.10	458.52
Thurnham	152.32	177.71	203.09	228.48	279.25	330.03	380.80	456.96
Tunstall	174.59	203.69	232.79	261.89	320.09	378.29	436.48	523.78
Warton	153.76	179.39	205.01	230.64	281.89	333.15	384.40	461.28
Wennington	203.27	237.14	271.02	304.90	372.66	440.41	508.17	609.80
Whittington	153.45	179.03	204.60	230.18	281.33	332.48	383.63	460.36
Wray-with-Botton	165.16	192.69	220.21	247.74	302.79	357.85	412.90	495.48
Yealand Conyers	155.05	180.89	206.73	232.57	284.25	335.93	387.62	465.14
Yealand Redmayne	160.15	186.85	213.54	240.23	293.61	347.00	400.38	480.46

being the amounts given by multiplying the relevant amounts at 3(g) or 3(h) above by the number which, in the proportion set out in Section 5(1) of the Act, 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 by the City Council, 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.

- (4) That it be noted that for the year 2016/17 the Lancashire County Council, the Police and Crime Commissioner for Lancashire and the Lancashire Fire Authority have issued precepts to the City Council in accordance with Section 40 of the Act, for each category of the dwellings in the Council's area as indicated in the following table.

<i>Valuation Band</i>	<i>Lancashire County Council £</i>	<i>Police &amp; Crime Commissioner for Lancashire £</i>	<i>Lancashire Fire Authority £</i>
A	783.24	108.15	43.67
B	913.78	126.17	50.94
C	1,044.32	144.20	58.22
D	1,174.86	162.22	65.50
E	1,435.94	198.27	80.06
F	1,697.02	234.32	94.61
G	1,958.10	270.37	109.17
H	2,349.72	324.44	131.00

- (5) That having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at 3(i) and 4 above, the City Council, in accordance with Sections 30 and 36 of the Act, hereby sets the aggregate amounts shown in the tables below as the amounts of council tax for 2016/17 for each part of its area for each of the categories of dwellings.

Area	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Non Parished Area	1,074.37	1,253.42	1,432.49	1,611.55	1,969.68	2,327.80	2,685.92	3,223.10
Arkholme-with-Cawood	1,087.88	1,269.18	1,450.50	1,631.81	1,994.44	2,357.06	2,719.69	3,263.62
Bolton-le-Sands	1,087.01	1,268.17	1,449.34	1,630.51	1,992.85	2,355.18	2,717.52	3,261.02
Borwick	1,081.84	1,262.13	1,442.45	1,622.75	1,983.37	2,343.97	2,704.59	3,245.50
Burrow-with-Burrow	1,085.73	1,266.68	1,447.64	1,628.59	1,990.50	2,352.41	2,714.32	3,257.18
Cantsfield	1,076.70	1,256.14	1,435.59	1,615.04	1,973.94	2,332.84	2,691.74	3,230.08
Carnforth	1,089.30	1,270.84	1,452.39	1,633.94	1,997.04	2,360.14	2,723.24	3,267.88
Caton-with-Littledale	1,093.15	1,275.32	1,457.52	1,639.71	2,004.10	2,368.47	2,732.86	3,279.42
Claughton	1,074.37	1,253.42	1,432.49	1,611.55	1,969.68	2,327.80	2,685.92	3,223.10
Cockerham	1,094.08	1,276.41	1,458.77	1,641.11	2,005.81	2,370.49	2,735.19	3,282.22
Ellel	1,092.64	1,274.73	1,456.85	1,638.95	2,003.17	2,367.37	2,731.59	3,277.90
Gressingham	1,084.65	1,265.42	1,446.20	1,626.97	1,988.52	2,350.07	2,711.62	3,253.94
Haltom-with-Aughton	1,094.39	1,276.78	1,459.18	1,641.58	2,006.38	2,371.17	2,735.97	3,283.16
Heaton-with-Oxcliffe	1,083.21	1,263.73	1,444.27	1,624.80	1,985.87	2,346.93	2,708.01	3,249.60
Hornby-with-Farleton	1,100.13	1,283.48	1,466.84	1,650.19	2,016.90	2,383.61	2,750.32	3,300.38
Ireby and Leck	1,104.27	1,288.30	1,472.35	1,656.39	2,024.48	2,392.56	2,760.66	3,312.78
Melling-with-Wrayton	1,114.53	1,300.27	1,486.03	1,671.78	2,043.29	2,414.79	2,786.31	3,343.56
Middleton	1,093.22	1,275.41	1,457.62	1,639.82	2,004.23	2,368.63	2,733.04	3,279.64
Morecambe Town Council	1,087.43	1,268.66	1,449.90	1,631.14	1,993.62	2,356.09	2,718.57	3,262.28
Nether Kellet	1,090.75	1,272.53	1,454.33	1,636.12	1,999.71	2,363.29	2,726.87	3,272.24
Over Kellet	1,090.10	1,271.77	1,453.46	1,635.14	1,998.51	2,361.87	2,725.24	3,270.28
Over Wyresdale	1,081.86	1,262.16	1,442.47	1,622.78	1,983.40	2,344.02	2,704.64	3,245.56
Overton	1,093.02	1,275.18	1,457.35	1,639.52	2,003.86	2,368.20	2,732.54	3,279.04
Priest Hutton	1,089.29	1,270.82	1,452.38	1,633.92	1,997.02	2,360.11	2,723.21	3,267.84
Quemmore	1,083.83	1,264.45	1,445.10	1,625.73	1,987.01	2,348.28	2,709.56	3,251.46
Roeburndale	1,074.37	1,253.42	1,432.49	1,611.55	1,969.68	2,327.80	2,685.92	3,223.10
Scotforth	1,082.47	1,262.87	1,443.29	1,623.70	1,984.53	2,345.35	2,706.17	3,247.40
Silverdale	1,090.73	1,272.51	1,454.30	1,636.09	1,999.67	2,363.24	2,726.82	3,272.18
Slyne-with-Hest	1,099.79	1,283.07	1,466.38	1,649.67	2,016.27	2,382.86	2,749.46	3,299.34
Tatham	1,087.90	1,269.20	1,450.53	1,631.84	1,994.48	2,357.10	2,719.74	3,263.68
Thurnham	1,087.38	1,268.60	1,449.83	1,631.06	1,993.52	2,355.98	2,718.44	3,262.12
Tunstall	1,109.65	1,294.58	1,479.53	1,664.47	2,034.36	2,404.24	2,774.12	3,328.94
Warton	1,088.82	1,270.28	1,451.75	1,633.22	1,996.16	2,359.10	2,722.04	3,266.44
Wennington	1,138.33	1,328.03	1,517.76	1,707.48	2,086.93	2,466.36	2,845.81	3,414.96
Whittington	1,088.51	1,269.92	1,451.34	1,632.76	1,995.60	2,358.43	2,721.27	3,265.52
Wray-with-Botton	1,100.22	1,283.58	1,466.95	1,650.32	2,017.06	2,383.80	2,750.54	3,300.64
Yealand Conyers	1,090.11	1,271.78	1,453.47	1,635.15	1,998.52	2,361.88	2,725.26	3,270.30
Yealand Redmayne	1,095.21	1,277.74	1,460.28	1,642.81	2,007.88	2,372.95	2,738.02	3,285.62

- (6) That it be determined that the City Council's basic amount of council tax for 2016/17 is not excessive, when compared with the principles approved under Section 52ZB of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (as amended by the Localism Act 2011), and therefore the City Council is not required to hold a local referendum.

#### 144 EXECUTIVE ARRANGEMENTS

The Leader reported that Councillor Anne Whitehead had been appointed to the Cabinet, with special responsibility for Finance, Revenues and Benefits following the sad death of Councillor Richard Newman-Thompson.

The report was submitted in accordance with Rule 1.2 of the Cabinet Procedure Rules.

**Resolved:**

- (1) That the report be noted.

#### 145 APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT PERSONS

Council considered a report submitted by the Monitoring Officer which recommended the appointment of independent persons in accordance with the Localism Act 2011.

Councillor Hartley proposed, Councillor Leyshon seconded:

"That the recommendation, as set out in the report, be approved."

There was no debate and the proposition was clearly carried when put to the vote.

**Resolved:**

- (1) That Jacqueline Waring be appointed as the lead Independent Person and Gerald Callen as the deputy Independent Person, and that it be noted that David Jordison remain as a reserve Independent Person.

#### 146 PAY POLICY STATEMENT 2016 – 2017

The Chief Officer (Governance) submitted a report to enable Council to approve its Pay Policy Statement for 2016/17, which was appended to the supplementary report.

Councillor Scott proposed:

"That the Pay Policy Statement for 2016/17, as set out in Appendix 1 of the supplementary report, be approved."

The motion was seconded by Councillor Atkinson. There was no debate and the proposition was clearly carried when put to the vote.

**Resolved:**

- (1) That the Pay Policy Statement for 2016/17, as set out in Appendix 1 of the supplementary report, be approved.

**147 APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES**

Council received a report submitted by the Chief Officer (Governance) to enable Council to consider the basis of any appointment to the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority.

Councillor Smith proposed:

“That the basis of appointment be by virtue of role as Cabinet Member for Rural Affairs and that the appointment be referred to Cabinet.”

Members voted on the proposition and the Mayor declared the proposition to be carried.

***Resolved:***

- (1) That the basis of appointment be by virtue of role as Cabinet Member for Rural Affairs and that the appointment be referred to Cabinet.

**148 CHANGES TO COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS**

The Mayor requested group administrators to confirm any changes to Committee Membership. Councillor Phillippa Williamson advised that Councillor Helme would be replacing Councillor Sykes on the Chief Executive Recruitment Committee with Councillor Peter Williamson appointed to the Conservative group vacancy on the Audit Committee.

Councillor Leyshon advised that Councillor Sherlock would replace Councillor Whitehead on Budget & Performance Panel. Councillor Brayshaw would be a substitute on the Personnel Committee, Councillor Bryning would be a substitute on the Planning Committee and the Labour group substitute on the Standards Committee would be confirmed at the next Council Business Committee meeting.

***Resolved:***

- (1) That Councillor Helme replace Councillor Sykes on the Chief Executive Recruitment Committee.
- (2) That Councillor Peter Williamson be appointed to the Audit Committee.
- (3) That Councillor Sherlock replace Councillor Whitehead on the Budget & Performance Panel.
- (4) That Councillor Brayshaw be appointed as a substitute on the Personnel Committee, Councillor Bryning be appointed as a substitute on the Planning Committee and the Labour group substitute on the Standards Committee be confirmed at the next Council Business Committee meeting.

**149 QUESTIONS UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 12**

The Mayor advised that four questions had been received by the Chief Executive and that, in view of the time, written answers to these questions would be circulated by email to all Councillors by Democratic Services.



150 **MINUTES OF CABINET**

Council considered the Cabinet minutes of the meeting held on 16 February 2016.

***Resolved:***

- (1) That the minutes be noted.

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Mayor

(The meeting finished at 10.03 p.m.)

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