

Minutes of Meeting of the Council

Meeting Date: Tuesday, 4 March 2014, starting at 6.30pm
Present: Councillor R Sherras (Chairman)

Councillors:

P Ainsworth	S Knox
J E Alcock	G Mirfin
R Bennett	R Newmark
S Bibby	E M H Ranson
I Brown	L Rimmer
S Brunskill	M Robinson
S Carefoot	J Rogerson
R J Elms	C Ross
J B Hill	I Sayers
T Hill	G Scott
B Hilton	J Shervey
K Hind	D T Smith
S A Hirst	D Taylor
J Holgate	R J Thompson
S Hore	N C Walsh
K Horkin	J White
A M Knox	A Yearling

In attendance: Chief Executive, Director of Community Services, Director of Resources, Head of HR, Head of Legal and Democratic Services.

619 PRAYERS

The Mayor's Chaplain, the Reverend D Isaacs, opened the meeting with prayers.

620 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence from the meeting were submitted on behalf of Councillors R Hargreaves, R Moores, R Swarbrick, M Thomas.

621 COUNCIL MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 10 December 2013 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

622 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no items of public participation.

623 MAYORAL COMMUNICATIONS

The Mayor reported on some 32 events that he had attended since the last meeting. This included a wide range of events over the Christmas period and on New Year's Day a visit to a couple who were celebrating their Platinum Wedding

Anniversary. He had also welcomed Princess Alexandra to the Valley when she attended an event for one of her charities in Longridge. He had also recently attended the GRAB final at The Grand which once again highlighted the talent amongst young people in the valley.

He reported on his attendance at a Holocaust Memorial Service in Preston Minster and an Accrington Pals Memorial Service in Accrington Parish Church.

It was also noted that a photo-shoot had taken place recently to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the formation of the borough of Ribble Valley.

Finally he thanked staff and Members for the organisation and their attendance at a charity evening at La Locanda restaurant in Gisburn which had been a hugely successful evening raising just over £4,000 for the mayoral charities.

624 BUDGET CONSULTATION WITH NATIONAL NON-DOMESTIC RATE PAYERS

Consideration was given to the report of the Director of Resources referring to a meeting which had taken place with representatives of non-domestic rate payers on the Council's budget proposals. The meeting had been attended by Mr Atherton of Whalley Chamber of Trade.

RESOLVED: That Members receive the report.

625 REVENUE BUDGET 2014/15

Consideration was given to the written report of the Director of Resources concerning the budget for 2014/15 and the setting of the different amounts of Council Tax for different parts of the Council's area where special items applied (Parish Precepts).

Enclosed with the report was the budget summary for the financial year 2014/15 which contained details of revenue and capital requirements. Approval of the budget proposals contained in the report was proposed by Councillor S Hirst and seconded by Councillor Hore.

In his budget speech the Leader reminded Members of some of the significant issues that the Council had faced when preparing the 2014/15 budget, including the introduction of new local Council Tax support schemes to replace Council Tax benefit, fundamental changes to how the Council will be funded for business rates and the continuation of further cuts in Central Government funding.

The Leader confirmed that the Budget Working Group had met regularly throughout last year and had carefully considered the pressures facing the Council. They had also looked at areas where the Council needed to invest more resources in order to improve performance. The Leader was pleased to announce that the budget included a continued freeze on all car parking charges (and noted that short stay charges had not been increased since 2008) in the borough to support local traders and the tourism industry in the current difficult economic climate. He was also delighted that the budget included proposals for a three year capital programme amounting to almost £2m. The Leader expressed his thanks for the time and effort committees, officers and the Budget

Working Group had dedicated to achieving the budget as presented which had resulted in an excellent budget for the Council and the residents of the borough. He was confident that the budget presented an appropriate balance between maintaining valuable services whilst achieving significant savings.

RESOLVED: That the Council

1. approve the following submitted by the Policy and Finance Committee and included in the summary budget book:
 - a) the revised estimates for 2013/14 and the revenue estimates for 2014/15;
 - b) the revised capital programme for 2013/14 and the forward capital programme for 2014/17.
2. approve the Prudential indicators, borrowing limits and MRP policy statement as set out in Annex 1 of the report;
3. note that under delegated powers in accordance with Section 84 of the Local Government Finance Act 2003, the Council determine the following amounts for 2014/15, in accordance with the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) Regulation 1992 (as amended) as its Council Tax base for the year:
 - a) 21,391 being the amount of its Council Tax Base for the whole district [item T in the formula in Section 31B of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 as amended (the Act)]; and
 - b)

Parish Area	Tax base
Aighton, Bailey & Chaigley	431
Balderstone	195
Bashall Eaves, Great Mitton & Little Mitton	198
Billington & Langho	1,994
Bolton by Bowland, Gisburn Forest & Sawley	478
Bowland Forest (High)	67
Bowland Forest (Low)	82
Bowland with Leagram	82
Chatburn	363
Chipping	472
Clayton le Dale	498
Clitheroe	4,649
Dinckley	46
Downham	52

Parish Area	Tax base
Dutton	106
Gisburn	191
Grindleton	342
Horton	48
Hothersall	75
Longridge	2,584
Mearley	8
Mellor	995
Newsholme	19
Newton	143
Osbaldeston	106
Paythorne	42
Pendleton	105
Ramsgreave	267
Read	537
Ribchester	641
Rimington & Middop	217
Sabden	508
Salesbury	174
Simonstone	490
Slaidburn & Easington	151
Thornley with Wheatley	161
Twiston	34
Waddington	438
West Bradford	355
Whalley	1,423
Wilpshire	1,070
Wiswell	513
Worston	41
	21,391

being the amounts calculated by the Council, 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 one or more special items relate.

4. Calculate that the Council Tax requirement for the Council's own purposes for 2014/15 (excluding Parish precepts) is £3,009,500.

5. Calculate the following amounts for 2014/15, in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Act:
- a) £25,926,900 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) £22,557,768 Being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3) of the Act.
 - c) £3,369,132 Being the amount by which the aggregate at 5(a) above exceeds the aggregate at 5(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 31B of the Act).
 - d) £157.50 Being the amount at 5(c) above (Item R), all divided by Item T (5(a) above), calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31B of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year (including Parish precepts).
 - e) £359,632 Being the aggregate amount of all special items (Parish precepts) referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act.
 - f) £140.69 Being the amount at 5(d) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 5(e) above by Item T (5(a) 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.
 - g) Aggregate of the basic amount of council tax for Ribble Valley Borough Council and Parish precept for Band D properties:

Parts of the Council's area	£
Aighton, Bailey & Chaigley	151.71
Balderstone	147.07
Bashall Eaves, Great Mitton & Little Mitton	146.27
Billington & Langho	148.21
Bolton by Bowland, Gisburn Forest & Sawley	172.07
Bowland Forest Higher	173.03
Bowland Forest Lower	155.32
Bowland with Leagram	146.79
Chatburn	167.05
Chipping	153.19
Clayton le Dale	146.57
Clitheroe	159.49
Dutton	145.37
Gisburn	160.23
Grindleton	162.62
Hothersall	150.69
Longridge	163.25
Mellor	155.06
Newton	157.64
Osbaldeston	147.29
Pendleton	152.72
Ramsgreave	147.93
Read	154.85
Ribchester	152.35
Rimington & Middop	159.12
Sabden	169.58
Salesbury	168.28
Simonstone	157.02
Slaidburn & Easington	152.28
Thornley with Wheatley	150.01
Waddington	171.51
West Bradford	157.79
Whalley	162.50
Wilpshire	154.76
All other parts of the Council's area	140.69

Being the amount given by adding to the amount at 5(f) above to the amounts of the special item or items relating to dwellings in those parts of the Council's area mentioned above divided in each case by the amount contained in 3(b), calculated by the 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 its area to which one or more special items relate.

- h) Aggregate of the basic amount of council tax for Ribble Valley Borough Council and Parish precept for Band D properties by valuation band:

VALUATION BANDS								
	A £	B £	C £	D £	E £	F £	G £	H £
Aighton, Bailey & Chaigley	101.14	118.00	134.86	151.71	185.42	219.14	252.85	303.42
Balderstone	98.04	114.39	130.73	147.07	179.75	212.44	245.11	294.14
Bashall Eaves, Great Mitton & Little Mitton	97.51	113.77	130.02	146.27	178.77	211.28	243.78	292.54
Billington & Langho	98.80	115.28	131.74	148.21	181.14	214.08	247.01	296.42
Bolton by Bowland, Gisburn Forest & Sawley	114.71	133.84	152.95	172.07	210.30	248.55	286.78	344.14
Bowland Forest Higher	115.35	134.58	153.81	173.03	211.48	249.93	288.38	346.06
Bowland Forest Lower	103.54	120.81	138.06	155.32	189.83	224.35	258.86	310.64
Bowland with Leagram	97.86	114.17	130.48	146.79	179.41	212.03	244.65	293.58
Chatburn	111.36	129.93	148.49	167.05	204.17	241.30	278.41	334.10
Chipping	102.12	119.15	136.17	153.19	187.23	221.28	255.31	306.38
Clayton le Dale	97.71	114.00	130.29	146.57	179.14	211.71	244.28	293.14
Clitheroe	106.32	124.05	141.77	159.49	194.93	230.38	265.81	318.98
Dinckley	93.79	109.43	125.06	140.69	171.95	203.22	234.48	281.38
Downham	93.79	109.43	125.06	140.69	171.95	203.22	234.48	281.38
Dutton	96.91	113.07	129.22	145.37	177.67	209.98	242.28	290.74
Gisburn	106.82	124.63	142.43	160.23	195.83	231.44	267.05	320.46
Grindleton	108.41	126.49	144.55	162.62	198.75	234.90	271.03	325.24
Horton	93.79	109.43	125.06	140.69	171.95	203.22	234.48	281.38
Hothersall	100.46	117.21	133.95	150.69	184.17	217.66	251.15	301.38
Longridge	108.83	126.98	145.11	163.25	199.52	235.81	272.08	326.50
Mearley	93.79	109.43	125.06	140.69	171.95	203.22	234.48	281.38
Mellor	103.37	120.61	137.83	155.06	189.51	223.98	258.43	310.12
Newsholme	93.79	109.43	125.06	140.69	171.95	203.22	234.48	281.38

VALUATION BANDS								
	A £	B £	C £	D £	E £	F £	G £	H £
Newton	105.09	122.61	140.13	157.64	192.67	227.70	262.73	315.28
Osbaldeston	98.19	114.56	130.93	147.29	180.02	212.75	245.48	294.58
Paythorne	93.79	109.43	125.06	140.69	171.95	203.22	234.48	281.38
Pendleton	101.81	118.79	135.75	152.72	186.65	220.60	254.53	305.44
Ramsgreave	98.62	115.06	131.50	147.93	180.80	213.68	246.55	295.86
Read	103.23	120.44	137.65	154.85	189.26	223.67	258.08	309.70
Ribchester	101.56	118.50	135.42	152.35	186.20	220.06	253.91	304.70
Rimington & Middop	106.08	123.76	141.44	159.12	194.48	229.84	265.20	318.24
Sabden	113.05	131.90	150.74	169.58	207.26	244.95	282.63	339.16
Salesbury	112.18	130.89	149.58	168.28	205.67	243.07	280.46	336.56
Simonstone	104.68	122.13	139.58	157.02	191.91	226.81	261.70	314.04
Slaidburn & Easington	101.52	118.44	135.36	152.28	186.12	219.96	253.80	304.56
Thornley with Wheatley	100.00	116.68	133.34	150.01	183.34	216.68	250.01	300.02
Twiston	93.79	109.43	125.06	140.69	171.95	203.22	234.48	281.38
Waddington	114.34	133.40	152.46	171.51	209.62	247.74	285.85	343.02
West Bradford	105.19	122.73	140.26	157.79	192.85	227.92	262.98	315.58
Whalley	108.33	126.39	144.45	162.50	198.61	234.72	270.83	325.00
Wilpshire	103.17	120.37	137.57	154.76	189.15	223.54	257.93	309.52
Wiswell	101.59	118.53	135.46	152.39	186.25	220.12	253.98	304.78
Worston	93.79	109.43	125.06	140.69	171.95	203.22	234.48	281.38

being the amounts given by multiplying (as appropriate) the amounts at 5(f) or 5(g) 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 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.

6. Note, that for 2014/15 Lancashire County Council 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 dwellings shown below.

Valuation Bands							
A £	B £	C £	D £	E £	F £	G £	H £
738.49	861.58	984.66	1,107.74	1,353.90	1,600.07	1,846.23	2,215.48

7. Note, that for 2014/15 the Police and Crime Commissioner for Lancashire 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 dwellings shown below.

Valuation Bands							
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
103.97	121.30	138.63	155.96	190.62	225.28	259.93	311.92

8. Note, that for 2014/15 Lancashire Combined Fire Authority 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 dwellings shown below.

Valuation Bands							
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
42.43	49.51	56.58	63.65	77.79	91.94	106.08	127.30

9. Having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at 5(h), 6, 7 and 8 above, the Council, in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Act, hereby sets the following amounts as the amounts of council tax for 2014/15 for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:

VALUATION BANDS								
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
	£							
Aighton, Bailey & Chaigley	986.03	1,150.39	1,314.73	1,479.06	1,807.73	2,136.43	2,465.09	2,958.12
Balderstone	982.93	1,146.78	1,310.60	1,474.42	1,802.06	2,129.73	2,457.35	2,948.84
Bashall Eaves, Great Mitton & Little Mitton	982.40	1,146.16	1,309.89	1,473.62	1,801.08	2,128.57	2,456.02	2,947.24
Billington & Langho	983.69	1,147.67	1,311.61	1,475.56	1,803.45	2,131.37	2,459.25	2,951.12
Bolton by Bowland, Gisburn Forest & Sawley	999.60	1,166.23	1,332.82	1,499.42	1,832.61	2,165.84	2,499.02	2,998.84
Bowland Forest Higher	1,000.24	1,166.97	1,333.68	1,500.38	1,833.79	2,167.22	2,500.62	3,000.76
Bowland Forest Lower	988.43	1,153.20	1,317.93	1,482.67	1,812.14	2,141.64	2,471.10	2,965.34
Bowland with Leagram	982.75	1,146.56	1,310.35	1,474.14	1,801.72	2,129.32	2,456.89	2,948.28
Chatburn	996.25	1,162.32	1,328.36	1,494.40	1,826.48	2,158.59	2,490.65	2,988.80

VALUATION BANDS								
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Chipping	987.01	1,151.54	1,316.04	1,480.54	1,809.54	2,138.57	2,467.55	2,961.08
Clayton le Dale	982.60	1,146.39	1,310.16	1,473.92	1,801.45	2,129.00	2,456.52	2,947.84
Clitheroe	991.21	1,156.44	1,321.64	1,486.84	1,817.24	2,147.67	2,478.05	2,973.68
Dinckley	978.68	1,141.82	1,304.93	1,468.04	1,794.26	2,120.51	2,446.72	2,936.08
Downham	978.68	1,141.82	1,304.93	1,468.04	1,794.26	2,120.51	2,446.72	2,936.08
Dutton	981.80	1,145.46	1,309.09	1,472.72	1,799.98	2,127.27	2,454.52	2,945.44
Gisburn	991.71	1,157.02	1,322.30	1,487.58	1,818.14	2,148.73	2,479.29	2,975.16
Grindleton	993.30	1,158.88	1,324.42	1,489.97	1,821.06	2,152.19	2,483.27	2,979.94
Horton	978.68	1,141.82	1,304.93	1,468.04	1,794.26	2,120.51	2,446.72	2,936.08
Hothersall	985.35	1,149.60	1,313.82	1,478.04	1,806.48	2,134.95	2,463.39	2,956.08
Longridge	993.72	1,159.37	1,324.98	1,490.60	1,821.83	2,153.10	2,484.32	2,981.20
Mearley	978.68	1,141.82	1,304.93	1,468.04	1,794.26	2,120.51	2,446.72	2,936.08
Mellor	988.26	1,153.00	1,317.70	1,482.41	1,811.82	2,141.27	2,470.67	2,964.82
Newsholme	978.68	1,141.82	1,304.93	1,468.04	1,794.26	2,120.51	2,446.72	2,936.08
Newton	989.98	1,155.00	1,320.00	1,484.99	1,814.98	2,144.99	2,474.97	2,969.98
Osbaldeston	983.08	1,146.95	1,310.80	1,474.64	1,802.33	2,130.04	2,457.72	2,949.28
Paythorne	978.68	1,141.82	1,304.93	1,468.04	1,794.26	2,120.51	2,446.72	2,936.08
Pendleton	986.70	1,151.18	1,315.62	1,480.07	1,808.96	2,137.89	2,466.77	2,960.14
Ramsgreave	983.51	1,147.45	1,311.37	1,475.28	1,803.11	2,130.97	2,458.79	2,950.56
Read	988.12	1,152.83	1,317.52	1,482.20	1,811.57	2,140.96	2,470.32	2,964.40
Ribchester	986.45	1,150.89	1,315.29	1,479.70	1,808.51	2,137.35	2,466.15	2,959.40
Rimington & Middop	990.97	1,156.15	1,321.31	1,486.47	1,816.79	2,147.13	2,477.44	2,972.94
Sabden	997.94	1,164.29	1,330.61	1,496.93	1,829.57	2,162.24	2,494.87	2,993.86
Salesbury	997.07	1,163.28	1,329.45	1,495.63	1,827.98	2,160.36	2,492.70	2,991.26
Simonstone	989.57	1,154.52	1,319.45	1,484.37	1,814.22	2,144.10	2,473.94	2,968.74
Slaidburn & Easington	986.41	1,150.83	1,315.23	1,479.63	1,808.43	2,137.25	2,466.04	2,959.26
Thornley with Wheatley	984.89	1,149.07	1,313.21	1,477.36	1,805.65	2,133.97	2,462.25	2,954.72
Twiston	978.68	1,141.82	1,304.93	1,468.04	1,794.26	2,120.51	2,446.72	2,936.08
Waddington	999.23	1,165.79	1,332.33	1,498.86	1,831.93	2,165.03	2,498.09	2,997.72
West Bradford	990.08	1,155.12	1,320.13	1,485.14	1,815.16	2,145.21	2,475.22	2,970.28
Whalley	993.22	1,158.78	1,324.32	1,489.85	1,820.92	2,152.01	2,483.07	2,979.70
Wilpshire	988.06	1,152.76	1,317.44	1,482.11	1,811.46	2,140.83	2,470.17	2,964.22
Wiswell	986.48	1,150.92	1,315.33	1,479.74	1,808.56	2,137.41	2,466.22	2,959.48
Worston	978.68	1,141.82	1,304.93	1,468.04	1,794.26	2,120.51	2,446.72	2,936.08

LEADER'S REPORT

The Leader began by expressing his gratitude to the Council for its support of the budget just approved. He was pleased that the Council had succeeded in freezing its Council Tax for the fifth year running within a balanced budget that protected core services and jobs for the year ahead. He was also mindful of continuing financial pressures for the coming years. He thanked Members and officers for their work on the budget and in particular the Director of Resources.

The Leader then went on to clarify the latest position in respect of the Core Strategy. He stressed that the Core Strategy had not been rejected but that the Inspector had requested that the Council undertake pieces of work in relation to certain aspects of the document. Following completion of this work and a further period of consultation, the Leader anticipated that the Council would be in a position to adopt its Core Strategy within a matter of months.

The Leader noted frustrations and disappointment in relation to the Inspector's report in the recent Barrow Lands appeal. The Leader said that it was important to examine carefully the details of the report and consider its implications. In order that this could be done with the fullest amount of information available he believed that the Council should, in this instance, seek Counsel's legal advice in relation to the statutory review procedure contained in the legislation. He confirmed that he had asked the Chief Executive, in consultation with himself and the Chairman and Vice Chairman of Planning and Development Committee to make the appropriate arrangements.

Finally the Leader noted that as the Council approached the fortieth anniversary of its inception, there would be an opportunity to focus on many of the Council's past achievements and its ambitions and objectives for the future. He went on to congratulate the waste collection service and staff who had recently been cited nationally as an example of best practice in the Government's guidance on refuse collection. The Secretary of State had praised Ribble Valley for its maintenance of a weekly service despite (covering one of the largest rural areas in the country) and maintaining a satisfaction rate of over 90%. He praised the Director of Community Services, his team and the Chairman and Members of Community Services Committee for their efforts in developing and delivering an excellent waste collection service for the borough.

LEADER'S QUESTION TIME

The Leader of the Opposition, Councillor A Knox, asked if the Leader could confirm what the Council's priorities were in relation to addressing manmade climate change.

The Leader thanked Councillor Knox for his question and stated that the Council primarily sought to resist man made climate change through its planning policies. He referred to Key Statement EN3: Sustainable Development and Climate Change in the Council's draft Core Strategy that explained the Council's expectations that developers would demonstrate use of sustainable development principals and sustainable construction methods. He also noted that Policy DME5 of the draft Strategy recognised the Council's requirement for energy

provision to large developments to include at least a 10% supply for renewable or low carbon sources.

The Leader went on to confirm that great progress had been made in reducing the Council's own carbon footprint in recent times, where a range of measures had been introduced to improve the energy efficiency of Council buildings eg use of high frequency lighting installations, migrating to LED lighting and improved insulation and replacement of main boilers and flues to improve efficiency of combustion. He also reported improvements that had been made to optimise fuel consumption and reduce mileage on Council vehicles.

Next Councillor Knox asked when the proposed Dog Control Orders that were currently out to consultation would come into force.

The Leader confirmed that a date for the Orders coming into force had not yet been set. A report was due to be taken to the next Community Services Committee in May that would report upon the results of the consultation and set out a procedure for Committee to make the Orders.

Finally Councillor Knox asked how much it cost to run the Council's website every month. The Leader reported that the cost of running the Council's website covered a number of elements including hardware, annual support fees and also staff time in its on-going maintenance. The annual support fee from the Council's Content Management System provider was currently £5,760 per annum. Staff costs could not readily be quantified. The Council's ICT and Web Administrator undertook a number of duties in addition to website support. There were also 29 content editors across departments who were responsible for the day to day upkeep of information contained across the Council's many web pages.

628 COMMITTEE MINUTES

(i) Planning and Development Committee – 12 December 2013

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the above meeting be received.

(ii) Community Services Committee – 14 January 2014

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the above meeting be received.

(iii) Planning and Development Committee – 16 January 2014

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the above meeting be received.

(iv) Licensing Committee – 21 January 2014

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the above meeting be received.

(v) Personnel Committee – 22 January 2014

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the above meeting be approved with the exception of minute number 548.

MINUTE 548 – ANNUAL PAY POLICY STATEMENT

RESOLVED: That the Annual Pay Policy Statement 2014/15 be approved.

(vi) Health and Housing Committee – 23 January 2014

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the above meeting be received.

(vii) Policy and Finance Committee – 28 January 2014

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the above meeting be received.

(viii) Parish Council Liaison Committee – 30 January 2014

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the above meeting be received.

(ix) Special Policy and Finance Committee – 11 February 2014

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the above meeting be approved with the exception of minute number 601 (resolution 2).

(Councillor Carefoot declared an interest in respect of minute number 601 and left the meeting.)

MINUTE 601 (RESOLUTION 2) – COUNCIL TAX PREMIUM

RESOLVED: That the Council Tax premium of 50% on long term empty properties (over 2 years) be removed.

(Councillor Carefoot returned to the meeting.)

(x) Planning and Development Committee – 13 February 2014

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the above meeting be received.

The meeting closed at 7.43pm.

If you have any queries on these minutes please contact Marshal Scott (414400).