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### Minutes of Meeting of the Council

Meeting Date: Tuesday, 28 February 2017 starting at 6.30pm  
Present: Councillor J Holgate (Chairman)

Councillors:

P Ainsworth	K Hind
J E Alcock	S Hind
S Atkinson	S A Hirst
R Bennett	S Hore
S Bibby	A M Knox
A Brown	S Knox
I Brown	G Mirfin
S Brunskill	R Newmark
S Carefoot	M Robinson
P M Dobson	J Rogerson
P Dowson	G Scott
P Elms	R E Sherras
R Elms	D T Smith
M Fenton	D Taylor
M French	R J Thompson
R Hargreaves	N C Walsh
T Hill	J White
B Hilton	

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

The meeting opened with a minute's silence in respect of former MP of Ribble Valley, David Waddington, who had died recently.

#### 559 PRAYERS

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

#### 560 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence from the meeting were submitted on behalf of Councillors L Graves, I Sayers and R Swarbrick.

Not in attendance: Councillor G Geldard.

#### 561 DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interest.

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### 562 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

### 563 COUNCIL MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 13 December 2016 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

### 564 MAYORAL COMMUNICATIONS

The Mayor began by thanking Councillors for their support and best wishes during her recent absence. She reported on a number of recent events that she had attended including a fund raising event for the Castle Supported Housing Organisation.

### 565 LONG SERVICE AWARD

The Mayor made a presentation to David Bradshaw who had recently retired from the Refuse Collection service after 44 years in the role. The Mayor congratulated him on his retirement and gave him her best wishes for the future.

### 566 REVENUE BUDGET 2017/2018 AND CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2017/2022 AND SETTING THE COUNCIL TAX FOR EACH CATEGORY OF DWELLING IN THE COUNCIL'S AREA FOR 2017/2018

Consideration was given to the written report of the Director of Resources concerning the budget for 2017/2018 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 of the financial year 2017/2018 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 T Hill.

In his budget speech, the Leader reflected on the level of cuts from central government funding that had been experienced by local government over the last 8 years. In relation to this Council, he remarked that it had seen a reduction of over 40% in direct grants from government and there was continuing uncertainty in respect of the New Home Bonus and Business Rate scheme, which along with Council Tax, would replace all central grants completely. The Leader was pleased to note that despite the ongoing financial pressures, the Council had been able to maintain its core services to nationally recognised standards and achieve public satisfaction ratings of over 70% - the highest in the region. The Council's balance sheet was strong and reserves healthy.

The Leader moved the Council's budget for 2017/2018 which meant that there would be no increase in the Council's share of the Council Tax levels for the

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forthcoming year. This in turn meant that the Council had frozen its Council Tax for 7 out of the last 8 years.

The Leader was also pleased that the Council had been able to propose an ambitious capital programme for the years 2017/2022.

The Leader expressed his thanks for the time and effort Committee, Officers and the Budget Working Group had dedicated to achieving the budget as presented, which had resulted in an excellent outcome for the Council and the residents of the borough.

The Leader of the opposition, Councillor A Knox, added his thanks to Officers for their work in preparing the budget.

Members then debated the budget proposals. At the end of the debate a recorded vote was taken.

The following Members voted for the motion:

P Ainsworth	S Carefoot	K Hind	G Scott
J Alcock	P Dobson	S Hind	R Sherras
S Atkinson	P Dowson	S Hirst	D Smith
R Bennett	P Elms	J Holgate	D Taylor
S Bibby	R Elms	S Hore	R Thompson
A Brown	R Hargreaves	G Mirfin	N Walsh
I Brown	T Hill	R Newmark	J White
S Brunskill	B Hilton	J Rogerson	

The following Members abstained:

M Fenton	A Knox	M Robinson
M French	S Knox	

The motion was carried.

RESOLVED: That the Council:

1. approve the following submitted by the Policy and Finance Committee and included in the budget summary book:
  - a) the revised estimates of 2016/17 and the revenue estimates for 2017/18;
  - b) the revised capital programme for 2016/17 and the forward capital programme for 2017/22.
2. approve the Prudential indicators, borrowing limits and MRP policy statement as set out in Annex 1 of the report;

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3. note that under delegated powers in accordance with Section 84 of the Local Government Finance Act 2003, the Council determined the following amounts for 2017/18, in accordance with the Local Authority's (Calculation of Council Tax Base) Regulation 1992 (as amended) as its Council Tax base for the year:

a) 22,481 being the amount of its Council Tax Base for the whole district [item T and 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	438
Balderstone	197
Barrow	402
Bashall Eaves, Great Mitton & Little Mitton	202
Billington & Langho	2,072
Bolton by Bowland, Gisburn Forest & Sawley	489
Bowland Forest (High)	75
Bowland Forest (Low)	81
Bowland with Leagram	84
Chatburn	378
Chipping	488
Clayton le Dale	509
Clitheroe	5,097
Dinckley	44
Downham	49
Dutton	107
Gisburn	197
Grindleton	353
Horton	46
Hothersall	75
Longridge	2,719
Mearley	8
Mellor	1,000
Newsholme	20
Newton	144
Osbaldeston	110
Paythorne	44
Pendleton	110
Ramsgreave	281
Read	555
Ribchester	655
Rimington & Middop	236

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Sabden	520
Salesbury	193
Simonstone	497
Slaidburn & Easington	152
Thornley with Wheatley	166
Twiston	37
Waddington	455
West Bradford	359
Whalley	1,543
Wilpshire	1,072
Wiswell	177
Worston	45
<b>22,481</b>	

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 2017/18 (excluding Parish precepts) is £3,275,257.
5. Calculate the following amounts for 2017/18, in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Act:
  - a) £27,170,989 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) £23,490,454 Being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3) of the Act.
  - c) £3,680,535 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) £163.72 Being the amount at 5(c) above (Item R), all divided by Item T (3(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).

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- e) £405,278 Being the aggregate amount of all special items (Parish precepts) referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act.
- f) £145.69 Being the amount at 5(d) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 5(e) above by Item T (3(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	157.11
Balderstone	152.29
Barrow	167.01
Bashall Eaves, Great Mitton & Little Mitton	151.79
Billington & Langho	155.44
Bolton by Bowland, Gisburn Forest & Sawley	150.81
Bowland Forest Higher	174.58
Bowland Forest Lower	160.50
Bowland with Leagram	148.07
Chatburn	175.77
Chipping	161.57
Clayton le Dale	151.58
Clitheroe	166.65
Dinckley	145.69
Downham	145.69
Dutton	150.36
Gisburn	165.99
Grindleton	166.94
Horton	145.69
Hothersall	155.69
Longridge	170.38
Mearley	145.69
Mellor	167.77

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Parts of the Council's area		£
Newsholme	145.69	
Newton	163.05	
Osbaldeston	152.05	
Paythorne	145.69	
Pendleton	157.51	
Ramsgreave	152.81	
Read	162.33	
Ribchester	157.53	
Rimington & Middop	162.64	
Sabden	173.91	
Salesbury	170.56	
Simonstone	162.59	
Slaidburn & Easington	159.18	
Thornley with Wheatley	154.73	
Twiston	145.69	
Waddington	175.36	
West Bradford	164.14	
Whalley	166.99	
Wilpshire	161.13	
Wiswell	165.63	
Worston	145.69	

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	104.74	122.19	139.65	157.11	192.03	226.94	261.85	314.22
Balderstone	101.53	118.44	135.37	152.29	186.14	219.97	253.82	304.58

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<b>VALUATION BANDS</b>								
	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>H</b>
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Barrow	111.34	129.89	148.45	167.01	204.13	241.24	278.35	334.02
Bashall Eaves, Great Mitton & Little Mitton	101.20	118.05	134.92	151.79	185.53	219.25	252.99	303.58
Billington & Langho	103.63	120.89	138.17	155.44	189.99	224.52	259.07	310.88
Bolton by Bowland, Gisburn Forest & Sawley	100.54	117.29	134.05	150.81	184.33	217.84	251.35	301.62
Bowland Forest Higher	116.39	135.78	155.18	174.58	213.38	252.17	290.97	349.16
Bowland Forest Lower	107.00	124.83	142.66	160.50	196.17	231.83	267.50	321.00
Bowland with Leagram	98.72	115.16	131.62	148.07	180.98	213.88	246.79	296.14
Chatburn	117.18	136.71	156.24	175.77	214.83	253.89	292.95	351.54
Chipping	107.72	125.66	143.62	161.57	197.48	233.38	269.29	323.14
Clayton le Dale	101.06	117.89	134.74	151.58	185.27	218.95	252.64	303.16
Clitheroe	111.10	129.61	148.13	166.65	203.69	240.72	277.75	333.30
Dinckley	97.13	113.31	129.50	145.69	178.07	210.44	242.82	291.38
Downham	97.13	113.31	129.50	145.69	178.07	210.44	242.82	291.38
Dutton	100.24	116.94	133.65	150.36	183.78	217.19	250.60	300.72
Gisburn	110.66	129.10	147.54	165.99	202.88	239.76	276.65	331.98
Grindleton	111.30	129.84	148.39	166.94	204.04	241.13	278.24	333.88
Horton	97.13	113.31	129.50	145.69	178.07	210.44	242.82	291.38
Hothersall	103.80	121.09	138.39	155.69	190.29	224.88	259.49	311.38
Longridge	113.59	132.51	151.45	170.38	208.25	246.10	283.97	340.76
Mearley	97.13	113.31	129.50	145.69	178.07	210.44	242.82	291.38
Mellor	111.85	130.48	149.13	167.77	205.06	242.33	279.62	335.54
Newsholme	97.13	113.31	129.50	145.69	178.07	210.44	242.82	291.38
Newton	108.70	126.81	144.93	163.05	199.29	235.52	271.75	326.10
Osbaldeston	101.37	118.26	135.15	152.05	185.84	219.63	253.42	304.10
Paythorne	97.13	113.31	129.50	145.69	178.07	210.44	242.82	291.38
Pendleton	105.01	122.50	140.01	157.51	192.52	227.51	262.52	315.02
Ramsgreave	101.88	118.85	135.83	152.81	186.77	220.72	254.69	305.62
Read	108.22	126.25	144.29	162.33	198.41	234.48	270.55	324.66

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	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>H</b>
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Ribchester	105.02	122.52	140.02	157.53	192.54	227.54	262.55	315.06
Rimington & Middop	108.43	126.49	144.57	162.64	198.79	234.92	271.07	325.28
Sabden	115.94	135.26	154.58	173.91	212.56	251.20	289.85	347.82
Salesbury	113.71	132.65	151.61	170.56	208.47	246.36	284.27	341.12
Simonstone	108.40	126.45	144.52	162.59	198.73	234.85	270.99	325.18
Slaidburn & Easington	106.12	123.80	141.49	159.18	194.56	229.93	265.30	318.36
Thornley with Wheatley	103.16	120.34	137.54	154.73	189.12	223.50	257.89	309.46
Twiston	97.13	113.31	129.50	145.69	178.07	210.44	242.82	291.38
Waddington	116.91	136.39	155.87	175.36	214.33	253.30	292.27	350.72
West Bradford	109.43	127.66	145.90	164.14	200.62	237.09	273.57	328.28
Whalley	111.33	129.88	148.43	166.99	204.10	241.21	278.32	333.98
Wilpshire	107.42	125.32	143.22	161.13	196.94	232.74	268.55	322.26
Wiswell	110.42	128.82	147.22	165.63	202.44	239.24	276.05	331.26
Worston	97.13	113.31	129.50	145.69	178.07	210.44	242.82	291.38

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 2017/18 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.

<b>Valuation Bands</b>							
<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>H</b>
£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
814.49	950.24	1,085.99	1,221.74	1,493.24	1,764.74	2,036.23	2,443.48

7. Note, that for 2017/18 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.

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Valuation Bands							
A £	B £	C £	D £	E £	F £	G £	H £
110.30	128.68	147.07	165.45	202.22	238.98	275.75	330.90

8. Note, that for 2017/18 the 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 £
43.67	50.94	58.22	65.50	80.06	94.61	109.17	131.00

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 2017/18 for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:

VALUATION BANDS								
	A £	B £	C £	D £	E £	F £	G £	H £
Aighton, Bailey & Chaigney	1,073.20	1,252.05	1,430.93	1,609.80	1,967.55	2,325.27	2,683.00	3,219.60
Balderstone	1,069.99	1,248.30	1,426.65	1,604.98	1,961.66	2,318.30	2,674.97	3,209.96
Barrow	1,079.80	1,259.75	1,439.73	1,619.70	1,979.65	2,339.57	2,699.50	3,239.40
Bashall Eaves, Great Mitton & Little Mitton	1,069.66	1,247.91	1,426.20	1,604.48	1,961.05	2,317.58	2,674.14	3,208.96
Billington & Langho	1,072.09	1,250.75	1,429.45	1,608.13	1,965.51	2,322.85	2,680.22	3,216.26
Bolton by Bowland, Gisburn Forest & Sawley	1,069.00	1,247.15	1,425.33	1,603.50	1,959.85	2,316.17	2,672.50	3,207.00
Bowland Forest (High)	1,084.85	1,265.64	1,446.46	1,627.27	1,988.90	2,350.50	2,712.12	3,254.54
Bowland Forest (Low)	1,075.46	1,254.69	1,433.94	1,613.19	1,971.69	2,330.16	2,688.65	3,226.38
Bowland with Leagram	1,067.18	1,245.02	1,422.90	1,600.76	1,956.50	2,312.21	2,667.94	3,201.52
Chatburn	1,085.64	1,266.57	1,447.52	1,628.46	1,990.35	2,352.22	2,714.10	3,256.92
Chipping	1,076.18	1,255.52	1,434.90	1,614.26	1,973.00	2,331.71	2,690.44	3,228.52
Clayton le Dale	1,069.52	1,247.75	1,426.02	1,604.27	1,960.79	2,317.28	2,673.79	3,208.54
Clitheroe	1,079.56	1,259.47	1,439.41	1,619.34	1,979.21	2,339.05	2,698.90	3,238.68

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VALUATION BANDS								
	A £	B £	C £	D £	E £	F £	G £	H £
Dinckley	1,065.59	1,243.17	1,420.78	1,598.38	1,953.59	2,308.77	2,663.97	3,196.76
Downham	1,065.59	1,243.17	1,420.78	1,598.38	1,953.59	2,308.77	2,663.97	3,196.76
Dutton	1,068.70	1,246.80	1,424.93	1,603.05	1,959.30	2,315.52	2,671.75	3,206.10
Gisburn	1,079.12	1,258.96	1,438.82	1,618.68	1,978.40	2,338.09	2,697.80	3,237.36
Grindleton	1,079.76	1,259.70	1,439.67	1,619.63	1,979.56	2,339.46	2,699.39	3,239.26
Horton	1,065.59	1,243.17	1,420.78	1,598.38	1,953.59	2,308.77	2,663.97	3,196.76
Hothersall	1,072.26	1,250.95	1,429.67	1,608.38	1,965.81	2,323.21	2,680.64	3,216.76
Longridge	1,082.05	1,262.37	1,442.73	1,623.07	1,983.77	2,344.43	2,705.12	3,246.14
Mearley	1,065.59	1,243.17	1,420.78	1,598.38	1,953.59	2,308.77	2,663.97	3,196.76
Mellor	1,080.31	1,260.34	1,440.41	1,620.46	1,980.58	2,340.66	2,700.77	3,240.92
Newsholme	1,065.59	1,243.17	1,420.78	1,598.38	1,953.59	2,308.77	2,663.97	3,196.76
Newton	1,077.16	1,256.67	1,436.21	1,615.74	1,974.81	2,333.85	2,692.90	3,231.48
Osbaldeston	1,069.83	1,248.12	1,426.43	1,604.74	1,961.36	2,317.96	2,674.57	3,209.48
Paythorne	1,065.59	1,243.17	1,420.78	1,598.38	1,953.59	2,308.77	2,663.97	3,196.76
Pendleton	1,073.47	1,252.36	1,431.29	1,610.20	1,968.04	2,325.84	2,683.67	3,220.40
Ramsgreave	1,070.34	1,248.71	1,427.11	1,605.50	1,962.29	2,319.05	2,675.84	3,211.00
Read	1,076.68	1,256.11	1,435.57	1,615.02	1,973.93	2,332.81	2,691.70	3,230.04
Ribchester	1,073.48	1,252.38	1,431.30	1,610.22	1,968.06	2,325.87	2,683.70	3,220.44
Rimington & Middop	1,076.89	1,256.35	1,435.85	1,615.33	1,974.31	2,333.25	2,692.22	3,230.66
Sabden	1,084.40	1,265.12	1,445.86	1,626.60	1,988.08	2,349.53	2,711.00	3,253.20
Salesbury	1,082.17	1,262.51	1,442.89	1,623.25	1,983.99	2,344.69	2,705.42	3,246.50
Simonstone	1,076.86	1,256.31	1,435.80	1,615.28	1,974.25	2,333.18	2,692.14	3,230.56
Slaidburn & Easington	1,074.58	1,253.66	1,432.77	1,611.87	1,970.08	2,328.26	2,686.45	3,223.74
Thornley with Wheatley	1,071.62	1,250.20	1,428.82	1,607.42	1,964.64	2,321.83	2,679.04	3,214.84
Twiston	1,065.59	1,243.17	1,420.78	1,598.38	1,953.59	2,308.77	2,663.97	3,196.76
Waddington	1,085.37	1,266.25	1,447.15	1,628.05	1,989.85	2,351.63	2,713.42	3,256.10
West Bradford	1,077.89	1,257.52	1,437.18	1,616.83	1,976.14	2,335.42	2,694.72	3,233.66
Whalley	1,079.79	1,259.74	1,439.71	1,619.68	1,979.62	2,339.54	2,699.47	3,239.36
Wilpshire	1,075.88	1,255.18	1,434.50	1,613.82	1,972.46	2,331.07	2,689.70	3,227.64
Wiswell	1,078.88	1,258.68	1,438.50	1,618.32	1,977.96	2,337.57	2,697.20	3,236.64
Worston	1,065.59	1,243.17	1,420.78	1,598.38	1,953.59	2,308.77	2,663.97	3,196.76

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### 567 STATUTORY BUDGET CONSULTATIONS WITH NON DOMESTIC RATEPAYER REPRESENTATIVES AND VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS

Consideration was given to the report of the Director of Resources referring to a meeting which had taken place with representatives and non-domestic ratepayers on the Council's budget proposals. The meeting had been attended by Mr Williams of Clitheroe Chamber of Trade and Mr Atherton of Whalley Chamber of Trade, and Councillors Hirst, Thompson, Hill and P Elms, the Chief Executive, Director of Resources and Head of Revenues and Benefits.

RESOLVED: That Members receive the report.

### 568 LEADER'S REPORT

The Leader began by noting that the Government's target to end direct central grant funding at local level by 2020 would mean that Council Tax and Business Rates, along with ad hoc performance related grants would then form the sole source of Council funding, apart from self generated income such as fees and charges, deposit interest and other miscellaneous income. The Leader acknowledged that this would mean a significant change to local authority finance and would represent an important and challenging structural change for the Council. That said, he believed it could also herald new opportunities and the possibility of greater financial independence and freedom to benefit from the rewards of the Council's own economic development. In addition, there was a strong likelihood that any such structural financial changes would precipitate equally significant structural constitutional changes, for which the Council must be prepared.

The Leader remarked on the difficulties encountered under the current two tier structure and reported on the stalled progress of steps to form a Shadow Combined Authority. He noted that at a recent meeting of the Shadow Combined Authority, he had considered the creation of a Lancashire Association of Local Authorities as perhaps an alternative model of collaborative working. He was very mindful that whatever changes developed over the coming years, there would be a need for all authorities throughout Lancashire to work constructively together and for the Ribble Valley to continue to be one of the leaders of any emerging agenda.

### 569 LEADER'S QUESTION TIME

The Leader of the opposition, Councillor A Knox, began by asking how many fines for dog fouling had been issued in each of the past 5 years. The Leader thanked Councillor Knox for his question and reported that fines issued over the last 5 years were as follows:

2012 – 4  
2013 – 7  
2014 – 2  
2015 – 3  
2016 - 1

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Next the Shadow Leader asked how many recipients of Universal credit were currently in arrears with their Council Tax. The Leader confirmed that of 2,193 current recipients of Local Council Tax Support, 71 were receiving Universal Credit. The Council did not specifically monitor if benefit claimants were in arrears with Council Tax.

Finally, Councillor Knox asked how much money was in the budget for the next financial year to accommodate visiting dignitaries. The Leader confirmed that there was no specific budget for such visits but there was general fund balances which could be used for any unforeseen circumstances.

### 570 COMMITTEE MINUTES

#### (i) Planning and Development Committee – 15 December 2016

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

#### (ii) Community Committee – 10 January 2017

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

#### (iii) Planning and Development Committee – 12 January 2017

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

#### (iv) Personnel Committee – 18 January 2017

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the above meeting be received with the exception of minute number 469.

### MINUTE 469

#### PAY POLICY STATEMENTS 2017/2018

RESOLVED: That the Pay Policy Statement for 2017/2018 be approved.

#### (v) Health and Housing Committee – 19 January 2017

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

#### (vi) Policy and Finance Committee – 24 January 2017

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

#### (vii) Parish Council Liaison Committee – 26 January 2017

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

#### (viii) Licensing Committee – 31 January 2017

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

(ix) Special Policy and Finance Committee – 7 February 2017

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

(x) Planning and Development Committee – 16 February 2017

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

The meeting closed at 7.32pm.

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