



**RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**RECORD OF DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE**

**DECISION MADE BY: Cabinet    DATE DECISION MADE: 9<sup>th</sup> February 2017**

***Agenda Item : 4***

**SUBJECT: THE COUNCIL'S 2017/18 REVENUE BUDGET**

**Cabinet Members Present  
County Borough Councillors:**

A Morgan(Chairman) M Webber, R Bevan,  
A Crimmings, M Forey, G Hopkins,  
E Hanagan, J Rosser, M Norris

**Apology for Absence  
County Borough Councillor:**

**Other Councillor(s) in Attendance:-**

P Jarman    E Webster

**1. DECISION MADE:**

**Agreed –**

1. To note that the procedures relating to revenue budget construction, the budget consultation process, and reporting to Council, are laid down in the “Budget and Policy Framework”, contained within the Council’s Constitution;
2. Adopt the draft 2017/2018 revenue budget strategy, detailed in the attached Discussion Paper ‘Appendix A’, as the basis of the revenue budget strategy for the financial year ending the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018, that it would wish to recommend to Council, subject to consideration of the results of the general budget consultation exercise and feedback from pre scrutiny by the Finance & Performance Scrutiny Committee.
3. The draft timetable for setting the 2017/2018 revenue budget, reproduced at Appendix A2.
4. That the Council continues to support the medium term financial strategy aimed at maximising ongoing efficiency in service delivery, targeted service transformation and other changes that maintain the financial integrity of the Council whilst still aiming as much as possible to protect jobs and key services.

**2. REASON FOR THE DECISION BEING MADE:**

- The need to provide Cabinet with information in respect of the 2017/2018 local government settlement, the outcomes of the general budget consultation exercise and feedback from the pre-scrutiny activity undertaken by the Finance & Performance Scrutiny Committee, to assist it with its deliberations, prior to constructing the revenue budget strategy for the financial year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018, which it will recommend to Council, for approval.

**3. LINKS TO CORPORATE PRIORITIES / FUTURE GENERATIONS – SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT.**

- Council’s Corporate Plan

**4. CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO DECISION BEING MADE:**

- Feedback from the Finance and Performance Scrutiny Committee and the School Budget Forum are contained within the report.
- The Council’s budget consultation ran from 7<sup>th</sup> November to the 19<sup>th</sup> December 2016 and is included as Appendix 5i

**5. PREVIOUS CONSIDERATION BY A COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL**

- Finance & Performance Scrutiny Committee - Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2016

**6. PERSONAL INTERESTS DECLARED:**

- None

**7. DISPENSATION TO SPEAK (AS GRANTED BY STANDARDS COMMITTEE):**

N/A

**8. (a) IS THE DECISION SUBJECT TO CALL-IN BY THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE:**

YES NO

**8. (b) IF NO, REASONS WHY IN THE OPINION OF THE DECISION-MAKER THE DECISION IS DEEMED EXEMPT OR NON APPLICABLE:**

- I. COUNCIL FUNCTION (CALL IN IS THEREFORE NON APPLICABLE):-  
Reason: *The report will be presented to Council on 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2017.*

URGENT DECISION:-

Reason:.....N/A.....

**8. (c) IF DEEMED URGENT - SIGNATURE OF MAYOR OR DEPUTY MAYOR OR HEAD OF PAID SERVICE CONFIRMING AGREEMENT THAT THE PROPOSED DECISION IS REASONABLE IN ALL THE CIRCUMSTANCES FOR IT BEING TREATED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PROCEDURE RULE 17.2:**

N/A

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(Mayor)

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(Dated)



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(Proper Officer)

9<sup>th</sup> February 2017  
(Dated)