

Meeting: COUNCIL

Date: Wednesday 23 February 2011

Subject: COUNCIL BUDGET AND SETTING OF THE COUNCIL TAX

FOR 2011/2012

Report of: Councillor Gill Mattock, lead Cabinet member for finance

The Council is asked to consider the reports to Cabinet, as included in draft budget book (please see note* below) and also the Scrutiny Committee and Cabinet minutes and resolutions from the meetings held on 7 February and 9 February 2011 (appendix 1).

* Note: The draft budget book 2011/12 has been circulated to all members of the Council A copy has also be deposited at the Town Hall Reception for public inspection purposes and on the Council's website at http://www.eastbourne.gov.uk/council/meetings/council/ (Go to the listing for the Council meeting held on 23 February 2011)

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The resolutions in this report, which must include the requirements of all 'precepting' authorities, are based on the recommendations made to those authorities. A summary of the demand on the Collection Fund is as follows:

Authority	Precept/D	emand	2011/12 Band D Council Tax	Changer 2010/11	over
	£	%	£	£	%
Eastbourne Borough Council	8,240,758	13.99%	224.19	0.00	0.00%
East Sussex County Council	42,576,444	72.27%	1,158.30	0.00	0.00%
Sussex Police Authority	5,088,001	8.63%	138.42	0.00	0.00%
East Sussex Fire Authority	3,008,985	5.11%	81.86	0.00	0.00%
Total	58,914,188	100.00%	1,602.77	0.00	0.00%

After consideration of the foregoing, the Council is asked to approve the following:

- 1. The recommendations as detailed in the reports from the Chief Finance Officer and the Senior Head of Community to Cabinet on 9th February 2011:-
 - (i) The General Fund net expenditure for 2011/12 of £15,829,000, the growth and savings proposals
 - (ii) No change to the council tax for Eastbourne Borough Council to a Band D charge of £224.19;
 - (iii) Housing Revenue Account (HRA) income and expenditure proposals, including revised HRA budget for 2010/11 and the budget for 2011/12, rents and service charges, arrangements for finalising Eastbourne Homes' management fee and annual plan and the response to the Government's debt settlement offer;
 - (iv) General Fund capital programme as set out in report of the Chief Finance Officer.
 - (v) The Treasury Management Strategy and Prudential Indicators .
- 2. That consequent upon a general fund budget of £15,829,000 and other matters, the basic amount (Band D) of council tax for the borough council's functions will be £224.19 calculated as follows:

	£
Gross Expenditure – General Fund	75,833,700
Gross Expenditure - HRA	14,855,100
	90,688,800
Less Gross Income	(74,859,800)
Budget Requirement:	15,829,000
Less: £	
Government formula grant (7,579,542) (RSG + NNDR)	
Council tax collection fund (8,700) surplus	
·	(7,588,242)
Council tax requirement:	8,240,758
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Band 'D' Council Tax	£224.19

The statutory resolutions relating to this matter are given at paragraphs 3 and 4 below.

- 3. That it be noted that at its meeting on 15 December 2010 the Cabinet (in exercise of powers delegated to them by the Council) calculated the amount of 36,757.7 as the Council's tax base for the year 2011/2012 in accordance with Regulation 3 of the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) Regulations 1992, as amended by the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 1999, made under Section 33(5) of the Local Government Finance Act, 1992 and by the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) (Amendment) Regulations 2003, made under Sections 75 and 76 of the Local Government Act 2003.
- 4. That the following amounts be now calculated by the Council for the year 2011/2012 in accordance with Sections 32 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992:

(a)	£90,688,800	being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 32(2)(a) to (e) of the Act.								
(b)	£74,859,800	eing the aggregate of the amounts which the Council stimates for the items set out in Section 32(3)(a) to (d) of ne Act.								
(c)	£15,829,000	peing the amount by which the aggregate at 4(a) above exceeds the aggregate at 4(b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 32(4) of the Act, as its sudget requirement for the year.								
(d)	£7,588,242	being the aggregate of the sums which the Council estimates will be payable for the year into its General Fund in respect of redistributed non-domestic rates, revenue support grant or additional grant plus the surplus on the Collection Fund.								
(e)	£224.19	£224.19 being the amount at 4(c) above less the amount at 4(d) above, all divided by the amount at 3 above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 33(1) of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year.								
(f)	Valuation Bands									
	۱ £149.46	B £174.37 C £199.28 D £224.19								
	Ξ £274.01	F £323.83 G £373.65 H £448.38								
	being the amo	unts given by multiplying the amount at 4(e) above by the								

being the amounts given by multiplying the amount at 4(e) 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 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.

5. That it be noted that for the year 2011/2012 the East Sussex County Council at its meeting on 8 February 2011 had set 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							
Α	£772.20	В	£900.90	С	£1,029.60	D £1,158.30	
Е	£1,415.70	F	£1,673.10	G	£1,930.50	H £2,316.60	

6. That it be noted that for the year 2011/2012 the Sussex Police Authority at its meeting on 10 February 2011 had set 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:

Valu	Valuation Bands							
	Α	£92.28	В	£107.66	С	£123.04	D	£138.42
	Е	£169.18	F	£199.94	G	£230.70	Н	22/0.01

7. That it be noted that for the year 2011/2012 the East Sussex Fire Authority at its meeting on 3 February 2011 set 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								
	Α	£54.57	В	£63.67	С	£72.76	D	£81.86
	Е	£100.05	F	£118.24	G	£136.43	Н	£163.72

8. That, having calculated the aggregate in each of the amounts at 4(f), 5, 6 and 7 above the Council in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the following amounts of Council Tax for the year 2011/2012 for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:

Valuation Bands							
Α	£1,068.51	В	£1,246.60	С	£1,424.68	D £1,602.77	
Е	£1,958.94	F	£2,315.11	G	£2,671.28	H £3,205.54	

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