

CABINET
Wednesday, 7 February
2018
Decision notice
 (including Key Decisions)



Notice dated: 8 February 2018

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DECISIONS:

Item No	Matter:	Decision: 'KEY' if key decision 'BPF' if budget and policy framework	Reason:
7	General fund revenue budget 2018/19 and capital programme 2017/21	<p>(BPF) Full council recommended to approve:</p> <p>(1) A general fund budget for 2017/18 (revised) and 2018/19 (original), as set out at appendix 1 to the report, including growth and savings proposals for 2018/19 as set out at appendix 2 to the report. (2) An increase in the council tax for Eastbourne Borough Council of 2.9% resulting on a 'Band D' charge of £239.67 for 2018/19. (3) A revised general fund capital programme 2017/21 as set out at appendix 3 to the report. (4) Note the section s151 officers sign off as outlined in 1.6 of the report.</p>	The Cabinet has to recommend to Full Council the setting of a revenue budget and associated council tax for the forthcoming financial year by law.

8	Treasury management and prudential indicators 2018/19	<p>(BPF) (1) To note the extended role of the Chief Finance Officer, as set out in appendix 4 to the report.</p> <p>Full council recommended to approve:</p> <p>(2) The treasury management strategy and annual investment strategy as set out in the report. (3) The methodology for calculating the minimum revenue provision set out at paragraph 2.3 of the report. (4) The prudential and treasury indicators as set out in the report. (5) The specified and non-specified investment categories listed at appendix 2 to the report.</p>	It is a requirement of the budget setting process for the Council to review and approve the Prudential and Treasury indicators and Treasury Strategy.
9	Council housing rent setting and Housing Revenue Account budget 2018/19	<p>(BPF) Full council recommended to approve:</p> <p>(1) The HRA budget for 2018/19 and revised 2017/19 as set out at appendix 1 to the report. (2) That social and affordable rents (including shared ownership) are decreased by 1% in line with government policy. (3) That service charges for general needs properties are increased by 5.14%. (4) That service charges for the older persons sheltered accommodation are increased by 1.78%. (5) That the support charge for sheltered housing residents remains at £7.50 per unit, per week pending a review in the summer. (6) To give delegated authority to the Director of Service Delivery, in consultation with the Cabinet portfolio holders for Financial Services and Direct Assistance Services to set the support charge for sheltered housing residents following a review of costs in the summer. (7) That heating costs are set at a level designed to recover the estimated actual cost. (8) That water charges are set at a level designed to recover the estimated cost of metered consumption. (9) Garage rents are increased by 4% this year following the disposal and repurposing of designated garage sites. (10) To give delegated authority to the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Cabinet Portfolio</p>	The Cabinet has to recommend to Full Council the setting of the HRA revenue and capital budget and the level of social and affordable housing rents for the forthcoming year.

		holders for Financial Services and Direct Assistance Services and the Head of Finance to finalise Eastbourne Homes' Management Fee and Delivery Plan. (11) The HRA capital programme as set out at appendix 2 to the report.	
10	Equality and fairness policy, equality objectives, annual report and action plan	(KEY) (1) That the equality and fairness policy set out at appendix A be adopted. (2) That the equality objectives proposed for 2018 to 2021 and set out in paragraph 4.1 of the report be adopted. (3) That the annual report of activities carried out in 2017, set out at appendix B to the report be noted. (4) That the action plan, set out at appendix C to the report be approved.	To promote equality and fairness and eliminate discrimination, ensuring fair access to services and opportunities; and to comply with the Council's general and specific duties under the Equality Act 2010.
12	Community grants programme - small grants	(KEY) (1) To agree to award the grants to specified voluntary and community organisations as set out in paragraph 3.9 of the report. (2) To agree that £2,500 of the small grants budget be set aside for annual events for the organisations listed at paragraph 5.1 of the report and delegate authority to the Director of Regeneration and Planning in consultation with the Chair of the Grants Task Group. (3) To agree to set aside £2,000 of the small grants budget as a contingency fund and delegate authority to the Director of Regeneration and Planning to award grants from this fund in consultation with the Chair of the grants task group. (4) To agree the priorities for the 2019/20 small grants programme as recommended at paragraph 7.2 of the report.	To approve the allocation of the Council's annual small grants budget of £60,000 in 2018/19 and priorities for small grants in 2019/20. <i>Notes: (1) The report remains confidential. (2) Exempt information reasons 3 – Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).</i>

13	Redundancy and redeployment policy	<p>(1) That the actions taken to manage implications of change for displaced individuals through support, redeployment and assistance with self marketing under the redundancy and redeployment procedure be noted.</p> <p>(2) That the financial implications of severance for those identified in the event that redeployment is not secured by the relevant date be agreed.</p>	<p>The organisation is currently in phase two of the joint transformation programme and actions have been taken to manage the implications of this change for displaced individuals through support, redeployment and assistance with self-marketing under the redundancy and redeployment procedure.</p> <p><i>Notes: (1) The report remains confidential. (2) Exempt information reasons 1 and 2 – Information relating to an individual or likely to reveal the identity of an individual.</i></p>
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Inspection of background papers – Please see contact details listed in each report.

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