



Council Minutes

The minutes of the Council meeting held on Thursday, 7 March 2019 at the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Poulton-le-Fylde.

Councillors present:

The Mayor, Councillor M Anderton and the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Michael Barrowclough.

Councillors I Amos, R Amos, E Anderton, Atkins, Ballard, Beavers, Berry, B Birch, C Birch, Bowen, Bridge, Cartridge, Catterall, Collinson, Ellison, Fail, Gibson, Greenhough, Henderson, Hodgkinson, Holden, Ibison, Ingham, Kay, Moon, Orme, Robinson, Smith, A Turner, S Turner, A Vincent, Matthew Vincent, M Vincent and Walmsley.

Apologies: Councillors Balmain, I Duffy, R Duffy, Jones, Lees, McKay, Murphy, Ormrod, Pimbley, Raynor, Shewan, B Stephenson, E Stephenson and Wilson.

Officers present:

Garry Payne, Chief Executive
Mark Broadhurst, Service Director Health and Wellbeing
Mark Billington, Service Director People and Places
Marianne Hesketh, Service Director Performance and Innovation
Clare James, Head of Finance and Section 151 Officer
David Bennett, Deputy Head of Finance.

Also present: Seven members of the public.

76 Confirmation of minutes

Agreed (by 28 votes to 5) that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 17 January 2019 be confirmed as a correct record.

77 Declarations of Interest

None.

78 Announcements

1. The Mayor announced that a concert by the Blackpool Male Voice Choir in aid of the Mayoral Charities was to be held at St Peter and St Davids' Church, Lord Street, Fleetwood on Thursday 14 March 2019 at 7 pm.
2. The Mayor reminded Members of arrangements for the Mayor's Ball on 8 March 2019. She thanked Regenda for donating raffle prizes, and said that tickets for the raffle were still on sale.
3. The Mayor also read out a message from Cllr R Duffy, updating Members on her cancer treatment and thanking all those who had sent messages of support. The Mayor expressed the Council's best wishes to Councillor Duffy.

79 Public questions or statements

None received.

80 Questions "On Notice" from councillors

None received.

81 Pay Policy Statement 2019/20

The Leader of the Council (Cllr Henderson) and the Service Director Performance and Innovation submitted a report on the Council's Pay Policy Statement for the 2019/20 financial year.

Cllr Henderson noted a request made by Cllr Fail during the debate on the report, that future Pay Policy Statements should include the actual number of apprentices or other employees under the age of twenty five paid the national minimum wage – if any.

Agreed (unanimously) that the Pay Policy Statement for 2019/20 be approved.

82 Business Plan 2019 - 2023

The Leader of the Council (Cllr Henderson) and the Service Director Performance and Innovation submitted a report on the Council's Business Plan for the period 2019 to 2023.

Cllr Henderson stated in a response to comments made by Cllr Fail during the debate, that the possibility of including a question in the Council's bi-annual residents' survey relating to travel to work would be considered.

Agreed (unanimously) that the Council's Business Plan for 2019-2023 be approved.

Council Tax 2019/20

The Leader of the Council (Cllr Henderson) submitted a report on the setting of the Council Tax for 2019/20. His report included reference to the report of the Head of Finance (S 151 Officer) on the Revenue Budget, Council Tax and Capital Programme, which had been considered by the Cabinet at its meeting on 13 February 2019. The minute setting out the Cabinet's recommendations was set out in Appendix 1 of his report to this Council meeting.

The Resources Portfolio Holder (Cllr A Vincent) seconded the Cllr Henderson's proposal that the recommendations made by the Cabinet be approved.

Cllr Fail proposed and Cllr E Anderton seconded the following amendment:

"That a revenue contribution of up to £35,000 be made from general balances towards a Poulton to Fleetwood rail reinstatement feasibility study."

The following members voted for the amendment: Councillors E Anderton, M Anderton, Barrowclough, Beavers, Fail, Gibson and Smith.

The following members voted against the amendment: I Amos, R Amos, Lady Atkins, Berry, B Birch, C Birch, Bowen, Bridge, Cartridge, Catterall, Collinson, Ellison, Greenhough, Henderson, Hodgkinson, Holden, Ibison, Ingham, Kay, Moon, Orme, Robinson, A Turner, S Turner, A Vincent, Matthew Vincent, Michael Vincent and Walmsley.

The amendment was therefore LOST (by 7 votes to 28).

A vote was then taken on the Cabinet's recommendations on the budget for 2019/20 and on the level of the Council Tax as set out in paragraphs 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 and 3.4 of the Leader's report.

The following members voted in support of the proposal: I Amos, R Amos, Lady Atkins, Berry, B Birch, C Birch, Bowen, Bridge, Cartridge, Catterall, Collinson, Ellison, Greenhough, Henderson, Hodgkinson, Holden, Ibison, Ingham, Kay, Moon, Orme, Robinson, A Turner, S Turner, A Vincent, Matthew Vincent, Michael Vincent and Walmsley.

The following members voted against the proposal: Councillors E Anderton, M Anderton, Barrowclough, Beavers, Fail, Gibson and Smith.

The Mayor (Cllr M Anderton) abstained.

The proposal was therefore CARRIED (by 28 votes to 6 with 1 abstention) and it was

Agreed:

1. That the formal Council Tax resolution as agreed by Cabinet 13

February 2019, as set out in Appendix 1 of the Leader's report and also attached as Appendix 1 to these minutes, be approved.

2. That this Council's Band D equivalent Council Tax for the 2019/20 financial year of £199.74 together with parish precepts, as specified in the report on the Budget, be approved for each of the valuation bands, as set out in Table A of Appendix 2 to these minutes.
3. That it be noted that for the year 2019/20 the major precepting authorities had stated the amounts of their respective precepts, in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each of the categories of dwellings in the Council's area, as shown in Table B of Appendix 2 of these minutes.
4. That, having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at 2 and 3 above, and in accordance with Sections 30 and 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, the amounts set as the Council Tax for the year 2019/20 for each part of the Wyre area and for each of the categories of dwellings were as shown in Table C of Appendix 2 to these minutes.

84 Notices of Motion

None.

Appendices to Council Minutes 7 March 2019

The meeting started at 7pm and finished at 8.10pm.

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Extract from minutes of Cabinet meeting of 13 February 2019

CAB.38 Revenue Budget, Council Tax and Capital Programme

The Resources Portfolio Holder Head of Finance (S151 Officer) submitted a report asking for confirmation of the Revenue Budget, Council Tax, Revised Capital Budget 2018/19 and Capital Programme 2019/20 onwards.

Decision

Cabinet approved the following recommendations as set out in the report. *Note* - where references are made to appendices, these are as included with the report. The paragraph numbers below also mirror those of the Cabinet report.

- 3.1** That the following be approved:
- a.** The Revised Revenue Budget for the year 2018/19 and the Revenue Budget for 2019/20.
 - b.** For the purpose of proposing an indicative Council Tax for 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23 and 2023/24, taking into account the Medium Term Financial Plan at Appendix 2 which reflects an increase of 2.99% each year, any increase will remain within the principles determined by the Government as part of the legislation relating to Local Referendums allowing the veto of excessive Council Tax increases.
 - c.** Members' continuing commitment to the approach being taken regarding the efficiency savings, detailed within the Council's 'Annual Efficiency Statement' at Appendix 1.
 - d.** Any increases in the base level of expenditure and further additional expenditure arising during 2019/20 should be financed from existing budgets or specified compensatory savings, in accordance with the Financial Regulations and Financial Procedure Rules.
 - e.** The use of all other Reserves and Balances as indicated in Appendices 4 and 5.
 - f.** The manpower estimates for 2019/20.
 - g.** In accordance with the requirements of the Prudential Code for Capital Finance, those indicators included at Appendix 7.
 - h.** The Revised Capital Budget for 2018/19 and the Capital Programme for 2019/20 onwards.

3.2 That it be noted that, in accordance with the Council’s Scheme of Delegation, as agreed by Council at their meeting on 24 February 2005:

- a.** The amount of 36,857.73 has been calculated as the 2019/20 Council Tax Base for the whole area [Item T in the formula in Section 31B of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended (the “Act”)]; and
- b.** A Council Tax Base, for dwellings in those parts of its area to which a Parish precept relates, has been calculated as indicated below.

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- b.**

A Council Tax Base, for dwellings in those parts of its area to which a Parish precept relates, has been calculated as indicated below.

Barnacre-with-Bonds	966.37
Bleasdale	62.18
Cabus	610.64
Catterall	845.29
Claughton-on-Brock	342.65
Fleetwood	6,535.55
Forton	567.12
Garstang	1,806.54
Great Eccleston	577.10
Hambleton	1,069.68
Inskip-with-Sowerby	340.18
Kirkland	137.59
Myerscough and Bilsborrow	450.73
Nateby	221.41
Nether Wyresdale	317.81
Out Rawcliffe	261.38
Pilling	806.29
Preesall	1,916.81
Stalmine-with-Staynall	569.12
Upper Rawcliffe-with-Tarnacre	295.61
Winmarleigh	128.93

3.3 The Council Tax requirement for the Council’s own purposes for 2019/20 (excluding Parish precepts) is £7,361,963.

3.4 That the following amounts be calculated for the year 2019/20 in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Act:-

a.	£76,375,581	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.	£68,318,072	Being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3) of the Act.
c.	£8,057,509	Being the amount by which the aggregate at 3.4(a) above exceeds the aggregate at 3.4(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.	£218.61	Being the amount at 3.4(c) above (Item R) all divided by Item T (3.2(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.	£695,546	Being the aggregate amount of all special items (Parish precepts) referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act and as detailed in Appendix 6.
f.	£199.74	Being the amount at 3.4(d) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 3.4(e) above by Item T (3.2(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.

3.5 That the Council's basic amount of Council Tax for 2019/20 is not considered excessive in accordance with principles approved under Section 52ZB of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.

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Table A: Parish Precepts

Valuation Bands

	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Barnacre-with-Bonds	137.43	160.33	183.24	206.14	251.95	297.75	343.57	412.28
Bleasdale	149.24	174.11	198.99	223.86	273.61	323.35	373.10	447.72
Cabus	144.08	168.09	192.11	216.12	264.15	312.17	360.20	432.24
Catterall	192.31	224.36	256.42	288.47	352.58	416.68	480.78	576.94
Claughton-on-Brock	166.23	193.94	221.65	249.35	304.76	360.17	415.58	498.70
Fleetwood	150.25	175.29	200.34	225.38	275.47	325.55	375.63	450.76
Forton	156.67	182.78	208.90	235.01	287.24	339.46	391.68	470.02
Garstang	161.11	187.96	214.82	241.67	295.38	349.08	402.78	483.34
Great Eccleston	156.84	182.98	209.12	235.26	287.54	339.82	392.10	470.52
Hambleton	158.09	184.43	210.79	237.13	289.83	342.52	395.22	474.26
Inskip-with-Sowerby	152.76	178.22	203.68	229.14	280.06	330.98	381.90	458.28
Kirkland	184.03	214.70	245.38	276.05	337.40	398.74	460.08	552.10
Myerscough and Bilsborrow	155.20	181.06	206.94	232.80	284.54	336.26	388.00	465.60
Nateby	137.73	160.68	183.64	206.59	252.50	298.40	344.32	413.18
Nether Wyresdale	167.25	195.12	223.00	250.87	306.62	362.36	418.12	501.74
Out Rawcliffe	148.47	173.21	197.96	222.70	272.19	321.67	371.17	445.40
Pilling	188.56	219.98	251.42	282.84	345.70	408.54	471.40	565.68
Preesall	167.09	194.94	222.79	250.64	306.34	362.03	417.73	501.28
Stalmine-with-Staynall	166.69	194.47	222.26	250.04	305.61	361.17	416.73	500.08
Upper Rawcliffe-with-Tarnacre	147.82	172.45	197.10	221.73	271.01	320.27	369.55	443.46
Winmarleigh	149.55	174.48	199.41	224.33	274.18	324.03	373.88	448.66
All other area of the Borough	133.16	155.35	177.55	199.74	244.13	288.51	332.90	399.48

Table B: Precepts from major precepting authorities

Valuation Bands

	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Lancashire County Council	897.73	1047.35	1196.97	1346.59	1645.83	1945.07	2244.32	2693.18
Police and Crime Commissioner for Lancashire	134.30	156.68	179.07	201.45	246.22	290.98	335.75	402.90
Lancashire Combined Fire Authority	46.32	54.04	61.76	69.48	84.92	100.36	115.80	138.96

Table C: Total Tax payments for Wyre (including precepts from parish councils and other precepting authorities)

Valuation Bands

	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Barnacre-with-Bonds	1215.78	1418.40	1621.04	1823.66	2228.92	2634.16	3039.44	3647.32
Bleasdale	1227.59	1432.18	1636.79	1841.38	2250.58	2659.76	3068.97	3682.76
Cabus	1222.43	1426.16	1629.91	1833.64	2241.12	2648.58	3056.07	3667.28
Catterall	1270.66	1482.43	1694.22	1905.99	2329.55	2753.09	3176.65	3811.98
Claughton-on-Brock	1244.58	1452.01	1659.45	1866.87	2281.73	2696.58	3111.45	3733.74
Fleetwood	1228.60	1433.36	1638.14	1842.90	2252.44	2661.96	3071.50	3685.80
Forton	1235.02	1440.85	1646.70	1852.53	2264.21	2675.87	3087.55	3705.06
Garstang	1239.46	1446.03	1652.62	1859.19	2272.35	2685.49	3098.65	3718.38
Great Eccleston	1235.19	1441.05	1646.92	1852.78	2264.51	2676.23	3087.97	3705.56
Hambleton	1236.44	1442.50	1648.59	1854.65	2266.80	2678.93	3091.09	3709.30
Inskip-with-Sowerby	1231.11	1436.29	1641.48	1846.66	2257.03	2667.39	3077.77	3693.32
Kirkland	1262.38	1472.77	1683.18	1893.57	2314.37	2735.15	3155.95	3787.14
Myerscough and Bilsborrow	1233.55	1439.13	1644.74	1850.32	2261.51	2672.67	3083.87	3700.64
Nateby	1216.08	1418.75	1621.44	1824.11	2229.47	2634.81	3040.19	3648.22
Nether Wyresdale	1245.60	1453.19	1660.80	1868.39	2283.59	2698.77	3113.99	3736.78
Out Rawcliffe	1226.82	1431.28	1635.76	1840.22	2249.16	2658.08	3067.04	3680.44
Pilling	1266.91	1478.05	1689.22	1900.36	2322.67	2744.95	3167.27	3800.72
Preesall	1245.44	1453.01	1660.59	1868.16	2283.31	2698.44	3113.60	3736.32
Stalmine	1245.04	1452.54	1660.06	1867.56	2282.58	2697.58	3112.60	3735.12
Upper Rawcliffe-with-Tarnacre	1226.17	1430.52	1634.90	1839.25	2247.98	2656.68	3065.42	3678.50
Winmarleigh	1227.90	1432.55	1637.21	1841.85	2251.15	2660.44	3069.75	3683.70
All other areas of the Borough	1211.51	1413.42	1615.35	1817.26	2221.10	2624.92	3028.77	3634.52