

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

HELD ON 22 FEBRUARY 2018 FROM 8.00 PM TO 9.50 PM

Members Present

Councillors: Rob Stanton (Mayor), John Kaiser (Deputy Mayor), Mark Ashwell, Keith Baker, Laura Blumenthal, Prue Bray, UllaKarin Clark, Gary Cowan, Andy Croy, Richard Dolinski, Lindsay Ferris, Michael Firmager, Kate Haines, Mike Haines, Charlotte Haitham Taylor, John Halsall, Emma Hobbs, Tim Holton, Philip Houldsworth, John Jarvis, Clive Jones, Norman Jorgensen, Pauline Jorgensen, Dianne King, David Lee, Abdul Loyes, Julian McGhee-Sumner, Ken Miall, Philip Mirfin, Stuart Munro, Ian Pittock, Bob Pitts, Anthony Pollock, Malcolm Richards, Angus Ross, Beth Rowland, Imogen Shepherd-DuBey, Rachelle Shepherd-DuBey, David Sleight, Chris Smith, Wayne Smith, Bill Soane, Alison Swaddle, Simon Weeks, Oliver Whittle and Shahid Younis

71. MINUTE SILENCE

The Mayor announced the recent death of Norman Gould who was the elected Member for Shinfield North from 2004 to 2011. Members stood in silent tribute.

72. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were submitted from Alistair Auty, Parry Batth, Chris Bowring, David Chopping, Pauline Helliard-Symons, Charles Margetts and Barrie Patman.

73. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 23 November 2017 and the extraordinary meeting held on 19 January 2018 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

74. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

75. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

In accordance with the agreed procedure the Mayor invited members of the public to submit questions to the appropriate Members.

75.1 Christopher Everett had asked the Executive Member for Environment the following question and, due to his absence at the meeting, the following written response was provided:

There is always an increased amount of litter around Woosehill the day after the recycling bins have been emptied. Does the current service level agreement with the refuse contractor require their staff to pick up litter that escapes from the bins whilst they are being emptied? If so, this needs to be enforced.

Answer

The current service level agreement with Veolia includes them clearing any litter that they drop or cause to be dropped and all vehicles are equipped with a shovel and broom to enable them to do this at the time. If however, residents witness them not picking up litter that they have caused then they should report this to Customer Service and a complaint will be issued.

In relation to litter caused by strong winds, animals or vandalism, whilst Veolia will where possible try to address this they often can't due to time constraints. In these cases we ask

them to report it to us so that we can get the waste cleared as quickly as possible.

We are aware that spread litter causes an eyesore for the respective locality and if this is caused by Veolia we apologise. If litter is being scattered by animals or high winds ahead of collection there are ways that you can mitigate against this by; ensuring your blue bags are securely tied, place loose paper in the bottom of your box, place your blue bag on top of the box and if necessary place your blue bag in a normal dustbin from where we will collect the tied bag especially if you have to place your waste out overnight.

75.2 Jean Jacques Ellis had asked the Executive Member for Environment the following question and, due to his absence at the meeting, the following written response was provided:

The access point from the Parklands estate in Woodley to the Highwood Nature Reserve is a bit of a mess. Please can you explain how it will be improved and when?

Answer

The planning permission granted for the Parklands estate in Woodley includes the provision of a new formal access point into Highwood Local Nature Reserve. The plans showed the entrance in the vicinity of the red circle on this map, however this access point is located in one of the areas still under construction and it appears that residents of the estate have in the interim constructed their own informal access to the site. The Council has not yet received detailed plans or timescales for the formal access point and is in contact with the developer to see what can be done to accelerate the delivery of the formal access point.

75.3 Jenny Cheng asked the Executive Member for Highways and Transport the following question:

The residents of Woodley deserve a better bus service - at present the 12 is not fit for purpose. Please can you explain what the Council is doing to ensure residents have a service that meets their needs?

Answer

The Council is following the European procurement process to secure a new bus service to commence in September 2018. This adds significant time to reach a conclusion as is open to the whole of the EU to submit an expression of interest in running this service.

This particular process has had unprecedented levels of consultation, both in terms of feedback and face to face meetings. For example, over 750 responses came in from the web-based consultations and the petition. The face to face meetings were held with two residents' associations, namely the Maiden Erlegh Residents' Association (MERA) and the northern Earley Residents' Association (ACER). The outcome of those meetings was captured in their submission.

At the same time Earley Town Council and Woodley Town Council set up a joint working party which included representatives from the Residents' Associations. Each individual Town Council's Planning Committee discussed the issues and provided core comments to the joint working party which combined them into an agreed joint submission.

Officers were involved extensively in these discussions. The importance of the consultation is that the criteria for the new bus service takes into account the feedback from these consultations. Bus operators who would like to operate the bus service in future will have to demonstrate how they will provide a bus service that meets the key criteria

approved at the January 2018 Executive meeting.

Supplementary Question

Please can you confirm whether the Council increased its subsidy to Reading Buses for the 12?

Supplementary Answer

Absolutely, yes we did.

75.4 David Hare asked the Executive Member for Environment the following question:

When is Wokingham Council going to start kerbside recycling of glass, and so reach their 50% recycling target by 2020?

Answer

In your recent newsletter you claim to have forced the Conservatives on Wokingham Borough Council to retain weekly waste collections. It has been the policy of the Conservative Group on this Council for many years to retain weekly waste collections. We issued a press release to that effect nearly a year ago. It appears you missed that.

In my leaflets in the 2007 election at which I was first elected to this Council I said we must retain weekly waste collections and encourage more recycling. David Chopping and Tim Holton made similar statements.

So that is another Liberal myth busted.

So what happens where Liberals are in control of a Council? Of those we checked, the vast majority have collections every two weeks rather than the weekly collections we have here in Conservative Wokingham.

So how often do they have collections in Cheltenham? Bi-weekly.

How often in Colchester? Bi-weekly.

How often in Eastleigh? Bi-weekly.

How often in Maidstone? Bi-weekly.

You get the picture.

The existing glass banks are well used so we capture most glass waste. By using bring banks we get the glass sorted into colours which improves the value for recycling. If it was collected kerbside then either it would be mixed or we would need collection vehicles with lots of compartments. Such vehicles would be expensive to buy and operate.

It offers our taxpayers better value to encourage greater use of the bring banks and to increase the number of bring banks. I would welcome your help in identifying more sites for bring banks and encouraging greater use of the bring banks.

Supplementary Question

Veolia are buying about 20 new vehicles to cope with the new collections. And, well done. We are getting food waste collected and more plastics are being recycled. Why didn't you take this wonderful opportunity when new vehicles were being purchased to also include glass being collected from the kerbside, thereby being more able to hit the recycling targets?

Supplementary Answer

I thought that I had answered that. It would be very expensive to do that. It would require a separate compartment for glass. Either you put all the glass in one compartment, in which case you wouldn't be able to recycle it and would probably use it for road ballast or you have lots of compartments on the vehicle. So we would need more vehicles or very large vehicles. We would also probably need to provide people with bins to put their bottles in before they were put out. All of that would cost a lot of money.

We have estimated that just collecting from the kerbside and throwing all the bottles in a vehicle would cost about £600k per annum. So, with the Capital costs and the running costs it doesn't seem like best value for money. We do capture most glass in the bring banks. If we can capture another 10/20% of what people put out in their blue bags then we can notch up the recycling.

76. PETITIONS

Councillor Philip Mirfin presented a petition on behalf of residents from The Terrace, Wokingham.

The Mayor's decision as to the action to be taken is set out against the petition.

Councillor Phillip Mirfin	Councillor Mirfin presented a petition with 38 signatures requesting the immediate restoration of resident parking on The Terrace to equivalent levels to the custom and practice over many years. To be referred to the Executive Member for Highways and Transport.
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77. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor informed Members of the following items:

Mayor's Ball – the event, held on 17 February, had been attended by 141 people and had been a major success, raising £9,500 for good causes.

Voluntary Sector Reception – the reception, held at the Finchampstead Baptist Centre on 21 February, had been a good opportunity to recognise the excellent work carried out across the Borough by voluntary sector organisations.

78. MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLAN AND ASSOCIATED REPORTS

The Council considered four reports which together comprised a single Agenda item:

- The Housing Revenue Account Budget 2018/21 as set out on Agenda pages 57-72;
- The Capital Programme and Strategy 2018/21 as set out on Agenda pages 73-102;
- The Treasury Management Strategy 2018/21 as set out on Agenda pages 103-146;
- The Medium Term Financial Plan 2018/21 – Revenue Budget Submission 2018/19 as set out on Agenda pages 147-152.

The Mayor reminded Members that a total of 90 minutes would be set aside for the debate.

Councillor Charlotte Haitham Taylor, Leader of the Council, made a statement on the 2018/19 Budget (attached as Appendix A to the Minutes).

Councillor Lindsay Ferris, Leader of the Opposition, then made a Budget statement on behalf of the Liberal Democrat Group (attached as Appendix B to the Minutes).

Following the two speeches, Members discussed the various aspects of the proposed Budget in detail.

78.1 Housing Revenue Account Budget 2018/21

It was proposed by Councillor Charlotte Haitham Taylor and seconded by Councillor Julian McGhee-Sumner that the recommendations, set out on Agenda page 57, be approved, subject to the amendment of recommendation 7 as agreed by the Executive.

Upon being put to the vote it was:

RESOLVED: That the following be approved:

- 1) The Housing Revenue Account budget;
- 2) Council house dwelling rents be reduced by 1% effective from April 2018 in line with the Welfare Reform and Work Bill 2015;
- 3) Garage rents be increased by 3.6%, effective from April 2018, in line with Council fees and charges;
- 4) Shared Equity Rents will be increased by 3.85% based on September RPI, effective from April 2018;
- 5) Tenant Service Charges are set in line with estimated costs;
- 6) The Housing Major Repairs (capital) programme for 2018/19 as set out in Appendix C;
- 7) Sheltered room guest charges to increase from £9.00 to £9.50 per night, effective from April 2018.

78.2 Capital Programme and Strategy 2018/21

It was proposed by Councillor Charlotte Haitham Taylor and seconded by Councillor Julian McGhee-Sumner that the Capital Programme and Strategy for 2018/21, as set out on Agenda pages 73 to 102, be approved.

Upon being put to the vote it was:

RESOLVED That:

- 1) the Capital Programme and Strategy for 2018/21, as set out in Appendix A to the report, be approved;
- 2) the draft vision for capital investment over the next 10 years, as set out in Appendix B to the report, be noted;

- 3) the developer contributions S106 and CIL, as set out in Appendix C to the report, be noted, also noting that the S106 and CIL values are estimated and that approval is sought up to the scheme budget.

78.3 Treasury Management Strategy 2018/21

It was proposed by Councillor Charlotte Haitham Taylor and seconded by Councillor Julian McGhee-Sumner that the recommendations, as set out on Agenda page103, be approved.

Upon being put to the vote it was:

RESOLVED That the following be approved:

- 1) Capital Prudential indicators, 2018/19;
- 2) Borrowing Strategy 2018/19;
- 3) Annual Investment Strategy 2018/19;
- 4) Flexible use of capital receipts strategy;
- 5) Minimum Revenue Provision Policy;
- 6) Treasury Indicators: limits to borrowing activity 2018/19.

78.4 Medium Term Financial Plan 2018/21 - Revenue Budget Submission 2018/19

It was proposed by Councillor Charlotte Haitham Taylor and seconded by Councillor Julian McGhee-Sumner that the Medium Term Financial Plan for 2018/21, including the Revenue Budget Submission for 2018/19 and the Statutory Resolution setting out the 2018/19 Council Tax levels, be approved.

In line with the requirements of the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2014, a recorded vote was taken.

FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAINED
Mark Ashwell	Prue Bray	John Kaiser
Keith Baker	Gary Cowan	Rob Stanton
Laura Blumenthal	Andy Croy	
UllaKarin Clark	Lindsay Ferris	
Richard Dolinski	Clive Jones	
Michael Firmager	Ian Pittock	
Kate Haines	Beth Rowland	
Mike Haines	Imogen Shepherd-Dubey	
Charlotte Haitham Taylor	Rachelle Shepherd-Dubey	
John Halsall		
Emma Hobbs		
Tim Holton		
Philip Houldsworth		
John Jarvis		
Norman Jorgensen		
Pauline Jorgensen		
Dianne King		
David Lee		

Abdul Loyes		
Julian McGhee-Sumner		
Ken Miall		
Philip Mirfin		
Stuart Munro		
Bob Pitts		
Anthony Pollock		
Malcolm Richards		
Angus Ross		
David Sleight		
Chris Smith		
Wayne Smith		
Bill Soane		
Alison Swaddle		
Simon Weeks		
Oliver Whittle		
Shahid Younis		

Upon being put to the vote it was:

RESOLVED That:

- 1) the Medium Term Financial Plan for 2018/21, including the Revenue Budget submission for 2018/19, be approved;
- 2) the Statutory Resolution that sets out the 2018/19 Council Tax levels be approved and it be noted that, at its meeting on 19th January 2018, the Council calculated the following amounts for the year 2018/19 in accordance with regulations made under Section 31B of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended by the Localism Act 2011 and the Local Government Finance Act 2012:

(a) 68,669.10 being the amount calculated by the Council, (Item T) in accordance with regulation 31B of the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) Regulations 1992 (as amended by the Localism Act 2011 and the Local Government Finance Act 2012), as its council tax base for the year

(b) Part of the Council's area.

Arborfield and Newland	1,272.4
Barkham	1,594.4
Charvil	1,409.7
Earley	11,842.5
Finchampstead	5,769.5
Remenham	320.0
Ruscombe	496.8
St. Nicholas Hurst	1,058.1
Shinfield	5,371.7
Sonning	815.3
Swallowfield	1,041.4
Twyford	3,004.9
Wargrave	2,110.3
Winnersh	4,011.3
Wokingham	15,052.5

Wokingham Without	3,179.5
Woodley	10,318.8
	68,669.1

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 a parish precept relates.

- calculate that the Council Tax requirement for the Council's own purposes for 2018/19 (excluding Parish precepts) is £98,464,106. This includes £6,713,092 in respect of the Adult Social Care precept for 2018/19; this is based on a 2.5% increase on the 2017/18 council tax.
- the following amounts be now calculated by the Council for the year 2018/2019 in accordance with Sections 32 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, amended by the Localism Act 2011. However, the precepts shown below for the parishes of Earley, Shinfield, Winnersh, and Woodley are provisional and are subject to approval at the parishes annual precept meetings by the end of February 2018. The precept shown below for the Royal Berkshire Fire Authority is also provisional subject to approval at a meeting of the Fire Authority on 27 February 2018:

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| (a) | £289,637,310 | being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(2)(a) to (f) of the Act taking into account all precepts issued to it by parish councils |
| (b) | (£187,019,070) | being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3)(a) to (d) of the Act |
| (c) | £102,618,240 | being the amount by which the aggregate at 3(a) above, exceeds the aggregate at 3(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) |
| (d) | £1,494.39 | being the amount at 3(c) above (Item R), all divided by 1(a) above (Item T), 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) | £4,154,134 | being the aggregate amount of all special items (parish precepts) referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act (as per the table below). |

	TAX	2018/19	PARISH	PARISH	TAX	2017/18	PARISH	PARISH	Council
	BASE	PARISH	PRECEPT	BAND D	BASE	PARISH	PRECEPT	BAND D	Tax
		£		£		£		£	Increase
									%
Arborfield and Newland	1,272.4	100,231	78.77		1,263.4	95,150	75.31		4.59
Barkham	1,594.4	50,318	31.56		1,526.9	46,342	30.35		3.99
Charvil	1,409.7	47,070	33.39		1,409.3	40,715	28.89		15.58
Earley	11,842.5	859,700	72.59		11,755.9	812,780	69.14		4.99
Finchampstead	5,769.5	139,638	24.20		5,725.0	126,944	22.17		9.16
Remenham	320.0	24,076	75.24		321.9	23,150	71.92		4.62
Ruscombe	496.8	35,500	71.46		501.5	10,266	20.47		249.10

St. Nicholas Hurst	1,058.1	40,000	37.80	1,053.1	30,000	28.49	32.68
Shinfield	5,371.7	356,144	66.30	5,144.0	341,047	66.30	0.00
Sonning	815.3	36,280	44.50	808.3	35,568	44.00	1.14
Swallowfield	1,041.4	19,984	19.19	1,006.0	19,308	19.19	0.00
Twyford	3,004.9	81,645	27.17	2,994.5	77,921	26.02	4.42
Wargrave	2,110.3	175,660	83.24	2,098.3	168,345	80.23	3.75
Winnersh	4,011.3	113,760	28.36	3,897.1	110,521	28.36	0.00
Wokingham	15,052.5	809,335	53.77	14,685.2	766,961	52.23	2.95
Wokingham Without	3,179.5	163,673	51.48	3,109.9	145,543	46.80	10.00
Woodley	10,318.8	1,101,119	106.71	10,133.1	1,081,303	106.71	0.00
Total / Average	68,669.1	4,154,134	60.50	67,433.4	3,931,863	58.31	3.76

- (f) £1,433.89 being the amount at 3(d) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 3(e) above by the amount at 1(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 special items relates.

4. it be noted that for the year 2018/2019 the Police and Crime Commissioner for the Thames Valley has issued a precept to the Council in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 for each category of dwellings in the Council's area as indicated in the table below. The Royal Berkshire Fire and Rescue Authority is due to approve its precept on 27th February 2018, and their provisional precept has been used below.
5. the Council in accordance with Sections 30 and 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the aggregate amounts shown in the tables below as the amounts of Council Tax for 2018/2019 for each part of its area and for each of the categories of dwellings.

SUMMARY OF COUNCIL TAX 2018/2019

Valuation Bands

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Wokingham Borough Council	955.93	1,115.25	1,274.57	1,433.89	1,752.53	2,071.17	2,389.82	2,867.78
Thames Valley Police Authority	121.52	141.77	162.03	182.28	222.79	263.29	303.80	364.56
Royal Berkshire Fire Authority	42.91	50.06	57.21	64.36	78.66	92.96	107.27	128.72

Aggregate of Council Tax Requirement for each parish and the borough for each part of the Council's area:-

Arborfield and Newland	1,008.44	1,176.52	1,344.59	1,512.66	1,848.80	2,184.95	2,521.10	3,025.32
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Barkham	976.97	1,139.80	1,302.62	1,465.45	1,791.10	2,116.76	2,442.42	2,930.90
Charvil	978.19	1,141.22	1,304.25	1,467.28	1,793.34	2,119.40	2,445.47	2,934.56
Earley	1,004.32	1,171.71	1,339.09	1,506.48	1,841.25	2,176.02	2,510.80	3,012.96
Finchampstead	972.06	1,134.07	1,296.08	1,458.09	1,782.11	2,106.13	2,430.15	2,916.18
Remenham	1,006.09	1,173.77	1,341.45	1,509.13	1,844.49	2,179.85	2,515.22	3,018.26
Ruscombe	1,003.57	1,170.83	1,338.09	1,505.35	1,839.87	2,174.39	2,508.92	3,010.70
St. Nicholas Hurst	981.13	1,144.65	1,308.17	1,471.69	1,798.73	2,125.77	2,452.82	2,943.38
Shinfield	1,000.13	1,166.82	1,333.50	1,500.19	1,833.56	2,166.94	2,500.32	3,000.38
Sonning	985.60	1,149.86	1,314.13	1,478.39	1,806.92	2,135.45	2,463.99	2,956.78
Swallowfield	968.72	1,130.18	1,291.63	1,453.08	1,775.98	2,098.89	2,421.80	2,906.16
Twyford	974.04	1,136.38	1,298.72	1,461.06	1,785.74	2,110.42	2,435.10	2,922.12
Wargrave	1,011.42	1,179.99	1,348.56	1,517.13	1,854.27	2,191.41	2,528.55	3,034.26
Winnersh	974.84	1,137.31	1,299.78	1,462.25	1,787.19	2,112.13	2,437.09	2,924.50
Wokingham	991.78	1,157.07	1,322.37	1,487.66	1,818.25	2,148.84	2,479.44	2,975.32
Wokingham Without	990.25	1,155.29	1,320.33	1,485.37	1,815.45	2,145.53	2,475.62	2,970.74
Woodley	1,027.07	1,198.25	1,369.42	1,540.60	1,882.95	2,225.31	2,567.67	3,081.20

Aggregate of Council Tax Requirements for each part of the Council's area:-

Arborfield And Newland	1,172.870	1,368.350	1,563.830	1,759.300	2,150.250	2,541.200	2,932.170	3,518.600
Barkham	1,141.400	1,331.630	1,521.860	1,712.090	2,092.550	2,473.010	2,853.490	3,424.180
Charvil	1,142.620	1,333.050	1,523.490	1,713.920	2,094.790	2,475.650	2,856.540	3,427.840
Earley	1,168.750	1,363.540	1,558.330	1,753.120	2,142.700	2,532.270	2,921.870	3,506.240
Finchampstead	1,136.490	1,325.900	1,515.320	1,704.730	2,083.560	2,462.380	2,841.220	3,409.460
Remenham	1,170.520	1,365.600	1,560.690	1,755.770	2,145.940	2,536.100	2,926.290	3,511.540
Ruscombe	1,168.000	1,362.660	1,557.330	1,751.990	2,141.320	2,530.640	2,919.990	3,503.980
St. Nicholas Hurst	1,145.560	1,336.480	1,527.410	1,718.330	2,100.180	2,482.020	2,863.890	3,436.660
Shinfield	1,164.560	1,358.650	1,552.740	1,746.830	2,135.010	2,523.190	2,911.390	3,493.660
Sonning	1,150.030	1,341.690	1,533.370	1,725.030	2,108.370	2,491.700	2,875.060	3,450.060
Swallowfield	1,133.150	1,322.010	1,510.870	1,699.720	2,077.430	2,455.140	2,832.870	3,399.440
Twyford	1,138.470	1,328.210	1,517.960	1,707.700	2,087.190	2,466.670	2,846.170	3,415.400
Wargrave	1,175.850	1,371.820	1,567.800	1,763.770	2,155.720	2,547.660	2,939.620	3,527.540
Winnersh	1,139.270	1,329.140	1,519.020	1,708.890	2,088.640	2,468.380	2,848.160	3,417.780
Wokingham	1,156.210	1,348.900	1,541.610	1,734.300	2,119.700	2,505.090	2,890.510	3,468.600
Wokingham Without	1,154.680	1,347.120	1,539.570	1,732.010	2,116.900	2,501.780	2,886.690	3,464.020
Woodley	1,191.500	1,390.080	1,588.660	1,787.240	2,184.400	2,581.560	2,978.740	3,574.480

- 3) in the event that there are any changes to the provisional precept of the Fire Authority or parishes, arising from their precept setting meetings held before the end of February, the Director of Corporate Services is delegated authority to enact all relevant changes to the MTFP, Statutory Resolution and Council Tax levels.

79. TREASURY MANAGEMENT MID-YEAR REPORT 2017/18

The Council considered the Treasury Management Mid-Year Report for 2017/18 as set out on Agenda pages 153 to 178. The report gave details of treasury management operations during the first six months of 2017/18.

It was proposed by Councillor Julian McGhee-Sumner and seconded by Councillor Charlotte Haitham Taylor that the recommendations set out on Agenda page 153 be approved.

Upon being put to the vote it was:

RESOLVED That:

- 1) the mid-year Treasury Management report for 2017/18 be approved;
- 2) the actual 2017/18 prudential indicators within the report be noted.

80. INTERIM REVIEW OF POLLING PLACES

The Council considered a report, set out on Agenda pages 179 to 182, which gave details of a review of polling places following the submission of a number of requests for change. The report recommended that no changes be made at this time.

It was proposed by Councillor Julian McGhee-Sumner and seconded by Councillor Norman Jorgensen that the recommendation set out on Agenda page 179 be approved.

Upon being put to the vote it was:

RESOLVED: That no changes be made to the Borough's designated polling places at this time.

81. TIMETABLE OF MEETINGS 2018/19

The Council considered the proposed Timetable of Meetings for the 2018/19 Municipal Year as set out on Agenda page 183.

It was proposed by Councillor Charlotte Haitham Taylor and seconded by Councillor David Lee that the 2018/19 Timetable of Meetings be approved.

Councillor Lindsay Ferris commented that consideration should be given to holding a Council meeting in January each year to enable further opportunities for debate.

Upon being put to the vote it was:

RESOLVED: That the Timetable of Meetings for 2018/19 Municipal Year, as set out in the Agenda, be approved.

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