



**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
JOINT SCRUTINY (BUDGETS)
HELD ON 24th JANUARY 2017**

PRESENT: Councillors J Oates (Chair), R Bilcliff, J Chesworth, T Clements, C Cooke, A Couchman, J Faulkner, R Ford, M Gant, S Goodall, M Greatorex, A James, R Kingstone, A Lunn, T Madge, K Norchi, M Oates, S Peple, T Peple, R Rogers, P Seekings, P Standen, M Summers and P Thurgood

CABINET Councillors D Cook, S Claymore, J Goodall, R Pritchard and M Thurgood

The following officers were present: John Wheatley (Executive Director Corporate Services) and Stefan Garner (Director of Finance)

6 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

RESOLVED: That Councillor J Oates be appointed as Chair

(Moved by Councillor M Oates and seconded by Councillor A James)

7 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

8 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 26 January 2016 were approved and signed as a correct record.

(Moved by Councillor S Peple and seconded by Councillor A Lunn)

9 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

10 BUDGET AND MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY 2017/18 TO 2021/22

The Report of the Cabinet regarding the budget proposals and medium term financial strategy for General Fund (GF) Revenue, the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) and the Capital Programme was considered.

RESOLVED: That Members requested Cabinet to investigate the potential for High earning Council tenants to be charged a market rent with the associated objective to release Council Housing

(Moved by Councillor M Summers and seconded by Councillor S Peaple)

That Members requested Cabinet to bring forward a fully costed proposal for green bin charging to Council including all of the associated implications for the area

(Moved by Councillor S Peaple and seconded by Councillor T Madge)

That Members requested that Cabinet with urgency review the potential commercial opportunities for the Castle to reduce the operating costs in support of the MTFS

(Moved by Councillor S Peaple and seconded by Councillor C Cooke)

Chair