Minutes of the Meeting of the Council of the City of Sheffield held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Pinstone Street, Sheffield S1 2HH, on Friday 1 March 2013, at 2.00 pm, pursuant to notice duly given and Summonses duly served.

#### **PRESENT**

## THE LORD MAYOR (Councillor John Campbell) THE DEPUTY LORD MAYOR (Councillor Vickie Priestley)

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1	Arbourthorne Ward Julie Dore John Robson Jack Scott	10	Dore & Totley Ward Keith Hill Joe Otten	19	Mosborough Ward David Barker Isobel Bowler Tony Downing
2	Beauchiefl Greenhill Ward Simon Clement-Jones Clive Skelton Roy Munn	11	East Ecclesfield Ward Steve Wilson	20	Nether Edge Ward Qurban Hussain Mohammad Maroof Nikki Bond
3	Beighton Ward Helen Mirfin-Boukouris Chris Rosling-Josephs Ian Saunders	12	Ecclesall Ward Roger Davison Shaffaq Mohammed Diana Stimely Penny Baker	21	Richmond Ward John Campbell Martin Lawton Lynn Rooney
4	Birley Ward Denise Fox Bryan Lodge Karen McGowan	13	Firth Park Ward Alan Law Garry Weatherall Chris Weldon Sheila Constance	22	Shiregreen & Brightside Ward Sioned-Mair Richards Peter Price Peter Rippon
5	Broomhill Ward Jayne Dunn	14	Fulwood Ward Andrew Sangar Sue Alston	23	Southey Ward Leigh Bramall Tony Damms Gill Furniss
6	Burngreave Ward Jackie Drayton Ibrar Hussain Talib Hussain	15	Gleadless Valley Ward Cate McDonald Tim Rippon Steve Jones	24	Stannington Ward David Baker Vickie Priestley Katie Condliffe
7	Central Ward Jillian Creasy Robert Murphy	16	Graves Park Ward Denise Reaney Ian Auckland Bob McCann	25	Stockbridge & Upper Don Ward Alison Brelsford Philip Wood Richard Crowther
8	Crookes Ward Sylvia Anginotti Geoff Smith Rob Frost	17	Hillsborough Ward Janet Bragg Bob Johnson George Lindars-Hammond	26	Walkey Ward Ben Curran Nikki Sharpe Neale Gibson
9	<i>Darnall Ward</i> Harry Harpham Mazher Iqbal Mary Lea	18	Manor Castle Ward Jenny Armstrong Terry Fox Pat Midgley	27	West Ecclesfield Ward Trevor Bagshaw Alf Meade Adam Hurst
				28	Woodhouse Ward Mick Rooney Jackie Satur

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#### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Anders Hanson, Colin Ross, Janice Sidebottom, Stuart Wattam and Joyce Wright.

## 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST OR INABILITY TO VOTE ON THE SETTING OF THE COUNCIL TAX

Councillors Martin Lawton and Pat Midgley declared personal interests in the item concerning the Revenue Budget and Capital Programmme 2013/2014 as Directors of the Manor Castle Development Trust.

Councillor Sylvia Anginotti declared a personal interest in the item concerning the Revenue Budget and Capital Programmme 2013/2014 as a Director of the Northern Refugee Centre.

#### 3. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

#### 3.1 Petitions

#### (a) Petition Objecting to Council Spending Cuts

The Council received a petition, containing 27 signatures, objecting to Council spending cuts.

On behalf of the petitioners Mr K Filleul addressed the Council. He stated that the petition was not directed at any particular service, although the petitioners were interested in protecting the library service as far as was possible. Totley Library was well supported and it was difficult for people with no car to travel distance to alternative locations.

The petitioners recommended an ethical approach to the issue of Council spending reductions, protecting services and spreading the effects brought about changes or reductions in services across a wide number of people, to mitigate the effect on the people directly affected. It was proposed that the Council raise the level of Council Tax to off-set the reductions in funding from the Government. Mr Filleul stated that people realised that this would not completely compensate or bridge the gap in loss of Government funding to the Council, but hoped that the Council could reflect on a willingness by many people to pay more to help preserve services which enhanced the quality of life for people in Sheffield.

In response to the petition, the Cabinet member for Finance and Resources (Councillor Bryan Lodge) stated that in relation to the level of Council Tax it was important to realise that some people were able to afford and pay more. The Government had restricted the amount by which Councils could raise Council Tax and authorities were required to conduct a referendum if they sought to

increase the level of Council Tax by 2 percent or more. The cost of such a referendum in Sheffield would be £500K and it was not thought that people would support a proposal to raise Council Tax in any referendum. Therefore, the Council had reluctantly looked to freeze the level of Council tax for 2013/14. Councillor Lodge thanked the petitioners for their comments, which suggested that some people felt they could support services across the City.

#### 3.2 Public Questions

#### (a) Public Question Concerning the Castle Market and other Development Sites

Peter Hartley asked what plans the Council had for the site of the Castle Market when the market relocated to the Moor. He commented on other sites including the site of the former Fire Station and Skinnerthorpe Road which, he stated has been left derelict for some time.

In response to the question, the Cabinet Member for Business, Skills and Development (Councillor Leigh Bramall), stated that the Castle Market site would be occupied to November 2013, following which the traders would move to the new site at the Moor. The City Centre Master plan would include plans for the Castle area and as part of the demolition of the current buildings, the ruins of the Castle site would be subject to archaeological investigation, meaning that the demolition work would have to be done in a sensitive manner. Depending on what ruins remained, it was envisaged that a new visitor's centre could potentially be created in relation to the Castle.

In relation to the site of the former Fire Station, Councillor Bramall disagreed that the site was a scene of devastation and stated that a popular car park was located on that site. Work was being undertaken in relation to the new retail quarter for the City centre. On Skinnerthorpe Road, there were plans for a school and housing to be developed on the site to which Mr Hartley had referred.

Councillor Bramall stated that, as Mr Hartley had requested, a written response to his questions would also be sent to him.

## (b) Public Question Concerning Access to Information Services for People with Learning Disabilities

Adam Butcher asked a question concerning consultation on the Council's budget proposals and specifically in relation to people with a learning disability or disability that could not access the information. He asked how the Council could make sure that people were able to participate in the budget process.

In response, the Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources (Councillor Bryan Lodge) stated that the Council did endeavour to make information available in many forms and much of this information was also available on the Council's internet site, although he acknowledged that the internet was not always the best solution for some people. A simplified version of the budget was available for people to use. However, Councillor Lodge stated that from the question

posed by Mr Butcher, it was clear that information did not always get to those that wanted it. He undertook to speak with officers about the points Mr Butcher had raised in relation to information for people with learning disabilities and disabilities. He added that City Councillors were also available for people to speak to and there were opportunities for people to ask questions of them.

The Cabinet Member for Health, Care and Independent Living (Councillor Mary Lea) added that an easy to read version of the budget as it affected people with learning disabilities was produced and the Learning Disabilities Partnership Board had held a special meeting to consider the budget. In relation to the other areas of the budget, Councillor Lea stated that she would discuss with her colleagues how information could be presented in a form which was easier to read and there was also a role for the Partnership Board in such improvement, and that the issues would be addressed to them for consideration.

#### (c) Public Question Concerning the Petition to Re-open Sheffield City Airport

Alex Drury asked why the Council was not debating the petition to re-open the City Airport, which was submitted on 14 February and had 5,250 signatures, which was above the threshold for a Council debate.

In response to the question, the Cabinet Member for Business, Skills and Development (Councillor Leigh Bramall) stated that his meeting of Council was to consider the Council's budget and the petition concerning the City Airport was to be debated by Council at its next meeting in April, in order to do justice to the issues raised by the petition.

#### (d) Public Question Concerning Stocksbridge Leisure Centre

John Wadsworth asked whether the Council would give the Stocksbridge Leisure Centre (4SLC) Committee more time to formulate a business plan and assist them in this.

In response to the question, the Cabinet Member for Culture, Sport and Leisure (Councillor Isobel Bowler) stated that the Council was in discussion with the Stocksbridge Town Council and the 4SLC Committee and funding a piece of work with Sport England regarding funding options for the Leisure Centre. When the report from Sport England was completed, it would be discussed with the Committee, together with all available and relevant information. As regards the budget reduction affecting the Leisure Centre, Councillor Bowler stated that the Council had to make the decision at this meeting. Stockbridge Leisure Centre would be considered at a meeting of Cabinet in April.

#### (e) Public Question Concerning Showroom Cinema

Leah Fleetwood asked, in the context of the Council ceasing to be financially responsible for Don Valley Stadium, and a piece on BBC Radio 4 that very morning: how much did the Council contribute the funding of the Showroom Cinema and what percentage was that funding of the total funding for the Showroom Cinema?

In response to the question, the Cabinet Member for Culture, Sport and Leisure (Councillor Isobel Bowler) stated that in the interview on Radio 4, she had referred to choices which the Council had to make in relation to facilities such as Don Valley Stadium or the Showroom in Sheffield. The subsidy of £700K received by Don Valley Stadium was compared to the £500K subsidy provided to Theatres and about £40k to the Showroom Workstation. The subsidy, which had been reduced by 20 percent, represented a small proportion of the Showroom Cinema's total annual budget.

Councillor Bowler stated that she would provide more detailed written information to the questioner concerning the Showroom Cinema budget

### (f) Public Questions Concerning Adventure Playgrounds

- (i) Jane Healey asked in relation to adventure playgrounds, was there an option to have some mobile Activity Sheffield staff based at the adventure playground sites and why were the communities for each playground only told in January about the proposal to withdraw staff from each site and why was no detailed consultation carried out?
- (ii) Paul Sammut stated that when Activity Sheffield and representatives from the Council visited to inform people about the proposed withdrawal of staffing, they encouraged people in the Friends group to look at alternative funding options and had indicated that they had experience and would be able to help the Friends. If this was the case, he asked why the Council was looking to the community to raise funding, when it had the expertise to do so.
- (iii) Lisa Swift referred to Pitsmoor and Verdon Street recreation centres and stated that she was disappointed with the outcome of the Scrutiny Committee meeting which examined the adventure playgrounds. She asked for a broad discussion about how the remaining resources and budget might be used. She stated that one mobile worker has 12 hours direct delivery time, whereas staff based in the playgrounds spend much more time on delivery. She asked why a member of staff could not be based at Verdon Street Recreation centre.
- (iv) Maughan Pearce stated that the Council and Activity Sheffield had not agreed on the staffing level for each playground, which in turn affected data used as part of the rationale for withdrawing staff, such as the cost of each visit and total staffing costs. Could the Council reassure people that such matters would be properly investigated before any decision was finalised as to how Activity Sheffield would achieve a funding reduction of £400K.
- (v) Berie Stott asked what scoping had been done by the Council concerning the viability of the community management proposal prior to the decision to reduce staffing at the adventure playgrounds.
- (vi) Lucinda Wakefield asked why the Council was diluting resources, when keeping them focussed on the playgrounds would have a greater impact, given the high number of visits to playgrounds compared with the numbers seen by

mobile workers, which had less beneficial impact than core staff based on site. She asked for an opportunity for people to be properly consulted.

In response to the question, the Cabinet Member for Culture, Sport and Leisure (Councillor Isobel Bowler) stated that in relation to timing, the Government settlement arrived on 19 December 2012 and the budget was being finalised in the period between then and January. Although this was unfortunate and time was therefore short, it was quite normal for budget proposals to be announced in January.

In relation to the possibility of core staffing based exclusively at one of the playground sites, it was likely that funding would further reduce in future years and, with this in mind, consideration had to be given to arrangements which allowed for the delivery of services for all of the vulnerable communities in the City. Councillor Bowler stated that she recognised all of the things that people had said in public meetings concerning the adventure playgrounds. Mobile workers could provide a very good service, albeit with no permanent base. She stated that the adventure playgrounds were highly valued and activities would continue to be provided for young people from the playground sites but there were other areas of need too.

With regards funding, when facilities were run by groups or organisations other than the Council, for example a leisure trust, then they were able to access funding, which the Council could not attract or bid for, such as Lottery funding. Groups outside of the Council were therefore encouraged to submit bids for such sources of funding.

Councillor Bowler stated that, whilst she realised that some people were not happy that they could no longer have permanent staff in adventure playgrounds, if the permanent presence were to be maintained then the Council would not be able to fund the delivery of services for people in other areas of Sheffield.

With regard to the information concerning the budget and the required staffing levels for the playgrounds, Councillor Bowler stated that the Council needed to work through that information with the Friends group and stakeholders. The required saving for Activity Sheffield was £400K. She hoped that proposals for community management were a viable option. The Council was seeking to sustain services that local people valued and needed, although it had to be recognised that the Council would not provide all of them in the future. The Council was continuing to speak with the Friends of Adventures and other community groups towards providing facilities that people valued.

#### 3.3 Petition Requiring Debate

#### Petition Requesting a Fair Deal for Sheffield on Government Funding

The Council received a petition containing 7,063 signatures and calling on the Government to review its policies concerning the funding allocated to Sheffield and South Yorkshire. The wording of the petition is as follows:-

"To the Prime Minister,

Sheffield is being hit hard by your Government's cuts, threatening vital services that we value. Our Council is being forced to cut £1 in every £3 from its budget, yet more affluent parts of the Country are being let off more lightly, with much lower cuts. This is unfair and the level of cuts we are experiencing cannot go on.

We call on you to review your Government's policies, and to give Sheffield and South Yorkshire the fair funding that we deserve.

We also ask that Sheffield City Council endorse this petition and promote it within the City"

Representations on behalf of the petitioners were made by Reverend Noel Irwin. He stated that Sheffield deserves to be treated fairly as regard the funding which the City received from the Government. The petition, which asked for parity of treatment and justice for Sheffield, had received widespread support. He stated that cuts to funding were disproportionately hurting the poor. The City's churches were undertaking a lot of work to feed and shelter people most in need and food banks were appearing in Sheffield. It was thought that approximately a quarter of a million people in the United Kingdom relied on food aid.

Reverend Irwin made reference to the tradition in Sheffield of standing up for the principles of equality and fairness and to a recent report, published by the Churches concerning fairness. He asked Members of the Council to stand up for justice and to support the petition which had been submitted, asking for a fair deal for the City.

Members of the City Council debated the issues raised by the petition, as summarised below.

- The austerity measures were affecting other areas in the south of the country as well as the north, although their affect on the northern cities was felt to be disproportionate.
- An independent body should be established to look at local government finance.
- There was broad support of the aims of the petition and the work of the church to relieve poverty.
- Consideration should be given to the fair distribution of funding reductions and to the continued need to support small and medium size enterprises
- Some families had to choose between purchasing food and fuel for warmth during the winter.

After a right of reply from Reverend Irwin on behalf of the petitioners, the City Council considered courses of action available in response to the petition. The following proposals were moved in response to the petition and the subsequent debate.

It was moved by Councillor Julie Dore, seconded by Councillor Harry Harpham, that this Council:-

- (a) thanks Reverend Noel Irwin for presenting the petition;
- (b) believes that the Government's cuts are extremely unfair to Sheffield;
- (c) will endorse the petition and promote it within the City, and will continue to work with the faith community, voluntary sector and businesses, to protect the City from the deeply damaging cuts that the Government is making;

On being put to the vote, the motion was carried.

It was then moved by Councillor Shaffaq Mohammed, seconded by Councillor Joe Otten, as an amendment, that the motion be amended by:

The deletion of all of the words after the words "that this Council" and the substitution of the following words therefor:-

Notes the petition, thanks those who have signed the petition and directs that if this petition is forwarded on, that a copy is also sent to the Leader of Her Majesty's Opposition so he guarantee to restore all funding cuts to Sheffield City Council if elected Prime Minister in 2015.

On being put to the vote, the amendment was negatived.

It was then moved by Councillor Jillian Creasy, seconded by Councillor Robert Murphy, as an amendment that the motion be amended by the addition of the following paragraphs:

- calls on the Government to establish an independent body to set local government finance
- requests that details regarding the petition be forwarded to the party leaders of all political parties represented in Parliament.

On being put to the vote, the amendment was carried.

The original motion, as amended, was put as a substantive motion in the following form and carried:-

RESOLVED: That the Council (a) thanks Reverend Noel Irwin for presenting the petition;

- (b) believes that the Government's cuts are extremely unfair to Sheffield;
- (c) will endorse the petition and promote it within the City, and will continue to work with the faith community, voluntary sector and businesses, to protect the

City from the deeply damaging cuts that the Government is making;

- (d) calls on the Government to establish an Independent Body to review Local Government finance; and
- (e) requests that details regarding the petition be forwarded to the Party Leaders of all political parties in Parliament.

#### 4. SUSPENSION OF PROCEDURAL RULES

RESOLVED: On the Motion of Councillor Pat Midgley, seconded by Councillor Gill Furniss, that, in accordance with Council Procedure Rules 4 and 11,

(a) Council Procedure Rule 17.5 be suspended with regard to the time limit of 3 minutes per speaker for the movers and seconders of amendments, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11(a)(xvi); and (b) Council Procedure Rule 17.11(a) be suspended with regard to giving the mover of a motion the right of reply.

#### REVENUE BUDGET AND CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2013/14

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It was moved by Councillor Harry Harpham, seconded by Councillor Mary Lea, that the following decisions taken by the Cabinet at its meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> February, 2013, arising from its consideration of (a) a joint report of the Chief Executive and the Executive Director, Resources on the Revenue Budget 2013/2014 and (b) a report of the Executive Director, Resources on the Capital Programme 2013/2014 be approved:-

#### "REVENUE BUDGET 2013/14

A joint report of the Chief Executive and the Executive Director of Resources was submitted, which set out the latest position on the 2012/13 budget; provided details of the Local Government Finance Settlement for 2013/14; sought approval to the City Council's revenue expenditure plans and requirements for 2013/14, including the position on reserves and balances; levies and precepts made on the City Council by other authorities; the City Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy, including the financial outlook for 2013/14 and beyond; proposals for the level of Council Tax to be kept the same as for 2012/13; and the technical calculation of the overall Council Tax increase, including South Yorkshire precepts.

As part of Cabinet's consideration of the joint report, it was noted that the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee had noted the following recommendations without amendment, as part of its consideration of the joint report earlier in the day.

RESOLVED: That, on the understanding that the reference to the proposed closure of the Bole Hill View Resource Centre in paragraph 130 of the joint report be amended to show the proposed closure of the Centre as taking effect from "March 2014" rather than "October, 2013" as shown, the City Council, at its meeting on 1st March, 2013, be recommended to:-

- (a) approve a net Revenue Budget for 2013/14 amounting to £477.430m;
- (b) approve a Band D equivalent Council Tax of £1,282.75 for City Council services, i.e. at the same level as 2012/13;
- (c) approve the Revenue Budget allocations and Budget Implementation Plans for each of the services, as set out in Appendix 2;
- (d) note that, based on the estimated expenditure level of £477.430m set out in Appendix 3 to this report, the amounts shown in part B of Appendix 6 would be calculated by the City Council for the year 2012/13, in accordance with sections 32 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992;
- (e) note the information on the precepts issued by the South Yorkshire Police Authority and the South Yorkshire Fire and Civil Defence Authority, together with the impact of these on the overall amount of Council Tax to be charged in the City Council's area.
- (f) note the latest 2012/13 budget monitoring position;
- (g) approve the Treasury Management and Annual Investment Strategies set out in Appendix 7 and the recommendations contained therein;
- (h) approve the Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) Statement set out in Appendix 7; and
- (i) agree that authority be delegated to the Director of Finance to undertake Treasury Management activity, to create and amend appropriate Treasury Management Practice Statements and to report on the operation of Treasury Management activity on the terms set out in these documents.

#### **CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2013/14**

The Executive Director, Resources submitted a report providing an overview of the Council's Capital Programme, which showed a broadly balanced position with proposed expenditure totalling £ 564 million over the next 5 years to 2016/17.

The Capital Programme was made up of a number of different elements and detailed reports were appended relating to a breakdown of the Capital Programme by Portfolio; a Programme Monitoring report to 30<sup>th</sup> November 2012; Capital Programme Funding Sources; the Capital Receipt and Corporate Resource Pool (CRP) 2012-17; the Children and Young People and Families Capital Programme and Capital Strategy 2013-14; Housing Capital Programme 2012-17; Properties and Facilities Management (Resources) Capital Programme; Communities Capital Programme; the Neighbourhoods Investment Programme 2013/14 – 2017/18; the Housing Investment Programme 2013/14-2017/18; the Local Transport Plan (LTP); the Capital Approval Process and proposed Capital Projects by Portfolio

As part of Cabinet's consideration of the joint report, it was noted that the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee had noted the following recommendations without amendment, as part of its consideration of the report earlier in the day

RESOLVED: That the City Council, at its meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2013, be recommended to:

- (a) approve those specific projects included in the 2012-13 to 2016-17 programme at Appendix 10, with bock allocations being included within the programme for noting at this stage and detailed proposals will be brought back for separate Member approval as part of the monthly monitoring procedures;
- (b) note the proposed Capital Programme for the 5 years to 2016/17 as per Appendix 10;
- (c) approve the proposal at paragraph 18 to address the current funding gap on Building Schools for the Future (BSF) and note that progress will be monitored and reported to Members as part of the normal budget monitoring process;
- (d) approve the allocations from the Corporate Resource Pool and the policy outlined in Appendix 4 such that the commitment from the CRP is limited to one year and no CRP supported schemes are approved beyond 2013 -14. (If substantial capital receipts are realised within 2012-13 or 2013-14 a further report will be brought to Members as part of the monthly approval process); and
- (e) approve the proposal at paragraph 33 to incorporate all capital receipts arising from non charitable covenanted Parks into the CRP."

Whereupon, it was moved by Councillor Bryan Lodge, seconded by Councillor Julie Dore, as an amendment:-

That the recommendations of the Cabinet held on 13<sup>th</sup> February, 2013, as relates

to the City Council's Revenue Budget and Capital Programme 2013/2014, be replaced by the following resolution:-

#### RESOLVED: That this Council:

- (1) regrets that after years of investment in front line services in Sheffield, overseen by the previous Government, this City is now facing an ideologically driven attack on public services by the present Government;
- (2) confirms that in the past two years the Council has had to contend with devastating Government cuts and has had to make savings of £140 million:
- (3) expresses its anger and dismay that the Council's budget position is now significantly worse than was previously estimated because the Government are making additional unfair cuts to Sheffield as a result of their failure to grow the economy;
- (4) confirms that in the financial year 2013/14 the Council will have to make savings of around £50 million and continues to oppose the Government's unfair cuts to Sheffield;
- (5) is disappointed that the main opposition group continue to fully support the cuts that the Government are imposing on Sheffield and that the Liberal Democrat Party nationally continue to be part of a Conservative-led Government which are making unprecedented ideological cuts to public services;
- (6) regrets that the Government's cuts are unfairly targeted, impacting most heavily on the areas with the highest levels of deprivation whilst some of the wealthiest areas of the country are receiving a substantially lower cut;
- (7) notes that research showing the level of cuts per person in each different local authority areas are as follows:

(i)	Sheffield	-£198.47
(ii)	Doncaster	- £208.63
(iii)	Barnsley	-£168.07
(iv)	Newcastle	-£217.96
	upon Tyne	
(v)	Manchester	-£284.34
(vi)	Richmond-	-£39.21
	upon-Thames	
(vii)	Wokingham	-£26.53
(viii)	Windsor and	-£34.46
	Maidenhead	
(ix)	East Dorset	-£34.24
(x)	North Dorset	-£28.10

(8) Is particularly disappointed that the Deputy Prime Minister has completely

- failed to stand up for Sheffield and continues to allow Sheffield and northern towns and cities to receive such a disproportionate level of cuts;
- (9) notes that unfortunately many other Councils are also facing significant reductions in services and this is reflected in the letters written to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government by all Core City leaders explaining the impact that the cuts will have on their cities;
- (10) regrets that despite the concerns raised by city leaders, the Government have pressed ahead with an unprecedented level of cuts in the Local Government Finance Settlement despite warnings about the impact it will have on Council services in Sheffield and across the core cities;
- (11) further regrets that in the 2012 Autumn Statement the Government extended the period of austerity to 2017/18 and believes this is as a result of their economic failure and mismanagement;
- (12) is particularly concerned that at the same time as public services are being heavily cut and the Government are cutting Council Tax Benefit which impacts on the poorest in the City, the Government think it is appropriate to reduce the top rate of income tax;
- (13) thanks all members of staff across the Council who have contributed to achieving a balanced budget for 2013/14, in this extremely challenging financial climate;
- (14) notes that as a result of budget cuts there could be up to 600 Council posts affected during the financial year 2013/14, including job roles that could be lost through voluntary severance or voluntary early retirement as well as any vacancies that have not been filled;
- (15) expresses sincere and heartfelt sympathy to those members of staff who are losing their jobs through compulsory redundancy and regrets that the Government's cuts agenda has made compulsory redundancies unavoidable:
- (16) notes that the Council workforce has had to contend with real-term pay reductions over the past three years and notes that pay increments have been frozen since pre-April 2011;
- (17) welcomes the commitment of the present Administration to support the lowest paid members of staff through the introduction of the Living Wage;
- (18) thanks the whole of the Council's workforce for continuing to work hard to serve Sheffield during extremely difficult circumstances and continues to value the hard work and public sector ethos of Council staff;
- (19) regrets that this is in stark contrast to the approach of the Government and Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government who continue to denigrate local government in an attempt to justify their attack

on public services;

- (20) regrets that this approach has been replicated by the Deputy Prime Minister and Main Opposition Group in recent weeks who have continued to make factually inaccurate statements about Council spending in a desperate attempt to denigrate the Council and deflect attention from their responsibility for the unprecedented level of cuts faced by the Council;
- (21) welcomes that the present Administration continue to find ways to improve efficiency within the Council and limit as far as possible the impact that cuts have on front line services;
- (22) believes this is demonstrated by the present Administration delivering on their pledge to reduce spending on senior management by £1 million and believes that this action has helped to protect front line services;
- (23) confirms that the present Administration will go further and commits to saving a further £500,000 from management posts within the next year;
- regrets that due to the level of cuts the Council is facing no area of the Council's budget can remain untouched;
- (25) confirms that the present Administration have prioritised protecting the most vulnerable in our society as far as possible;
- is extremely concerned at the impact that the Government's economic mismanagement is having on the people of Sheffield and welcomes the present Administration's commitment to the Sheffield Apprenticeship Programme and the wide programme of work it is undertaking to support employment and jobs in the City;
- (27) welcomes that the present Administration continue to stand up for Sheffield, support and protect communities, focus on jobs and make the City business friendly;
- (28) welcomes the report of the Fairness Commission and the present Administration's commitment to fairness:
- (29) acknowledges the challenges presented by the Fairness Commission in making Sheffield fairer and further welcomes the commitment of the present Administration to work with partners across the City to achieve this:
- (30) instructs the Executive Director, Resources to implement the City Council's Revenue Budget and Capital Programme 2013/14;
- (31) approves those specific projects included in the 2012/13 to 2016/17 Capital Programme at Appendix 10 of the report on the Capital Programme 2013/14 to 2016/17 now submitted, with block allocations being included within the Programme for noting at this stage and detailed

- proposals will be brought back for separate Member approval as part of the monthly monitoring procedures;
- (32) notes the Capital Programme for the 5 years to 2016/17 as per Appendix 10 of the report on the Capital Programme;
- (33) approves the proposals at paragraph 18 of the report on the Capital Programme to address the current funding gap on Building Schools for the Future (BSF) and notes that progress will be monitored and reported to Members as part of the normal budget monitoring process;
- (34) approves the allocations from the Corporate Resource Pool and the policy outlined in Appendix 4 such that the commitment from the CRP is limited to one year and no CRP supported schemes are approved beyond 2013 14, and if substantial capital receipts are realised within 2012-13 or 2013- 14 a further report will be brought to Members as part of the monthly approval process;
- (35) approves the proposal at paragraph 33 of the report on the Capital Programme to incorporate all capital receipts arising from non charitable covenanted Parks into the CRP;
- (36) after noting the joint report of the Chief Executive and the Executive Director, Resources now submitted on the Revenue Budget 2013/14, approves and adopts a net Revenue Budget for 2013/14 amounting to £477.426m, as set out in Appendix 3 of that report, as follows:-

Original Budget 2012/13 £000	Summary Revenue Budget	Original Budget 2013/14 £000
67,224 156,574 102,855 10,620 <u>58,036</u> 395,309	Portfolio Budgets: Children Young People and Families Communities Place Deputy Chief Executive Resources Total Portfolio budgets	81,274 160,883 101,960 8,741 <u>57,985</u> 410,843
	Corporate Budgets:	
	Specific Grants	
-4,931 -7,280 -741 -26,525 -3,375	Council Tax Freeze Grant NHS Funding Learning Disability and PFI Grant New Homes Bonus (LGF)	-1,642 -9,683 0 -40,724 -4,479

#### Corporate Items

13,000 1,000 3,829 500 -500 -950 0	Redundancy Provision Pension Costs Digital Region Carbon Reduction Commitment Review of Management Costs Improved debt collection Public Health Savings Keep Sheffield Working Fund Contingency - Adults Social Care Pressures	9,000 1,000 1,229 1,000 -500 -450 -3,400 400 3,000
0	Payment to Parish Councils	82
0	Living Wage	160
3,375	New Homes Bonus (LGF)	6,642
0	Fairness Commission	1,000
-108	Other	1,742
36,977	ITA Levy	34,694
36,686	Capital Financing costs	38,237
24,667	MSF capital financing costs	35,275
-7,415	Contribution from Reserves	-6,000
463,518	Total Expenditure	477,426

#### **Financing of Net Expenditure**

-463,518	Total Financing	-477,426	
-519	Collection fund surplus	0	
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- (46) gives approval for the Council Tax Discount in respect of dwellings that are unoccupied and substantially unfurnished, approved by the Council on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2013 to be amended so that its reads;

#### "Empty unfurnished

In respect of a dwelling that falls within the class of dwellings described in regulation 7, of the Council Tax (Prescribed Classes of Dwelling) (England) Regulations 2003, that the empty dwelling discount shall apply at 10% for the 6 month period commencing on the date that the dwelling fell within the class. After the 6 month period has expired, the empty dwelling discount shall not apply in respect of the dwelling.

When considering whether a dwelling has been unoccupied for any period, any one period, not exceeding six weeks, during which it was occupied shall be disregarded."

- (47) notes that, based on the estimated expenditure level of £477.426m set out in Appendix 3 of the Revenue Budget report, the amounts shown in part B below would be calculated by the City Council for the year 2013/14, in accordance with Sections 32 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992;
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## CITY OF SHEFFIELD CALCULATION OF RECOMMENDED COUNCIL TAX FOR 2013/14 REVENUE BUDGET

The Council is recommended to resolve as follows:

- 1. It be noted that on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2013, the Council calculated the Council Tax Base 2013/14
  - (a) for the whole Council area as:

    128,050.05 (item T in the formula in Section 31B of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended (the "Act")); and
  - (b) for dwellings in those parts of its area to which a Parish precept relates as in the attached Appendix 6c.
- 2. Calculate that the Council Tax requirement for the Council's own purposes for 2013/14 (excluding Parish precepts) is:

#### £ 164,255,587

- 3. That the following amounts be calculated for the year 2013/14 in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Act:
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- (d) £ 1,286.4746 being the amount at 3(c) above (Item R), all divided by Item T (1(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) £ 477,553 being the aggregate amount of all special items (Parish precepts) referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act (as per the attached Appendix 6b).
- (f) £ 1,282.7452 being the amount at 3(d) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 3(e) above by Item T (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 Parish precept relates.

- To note that the Police and Crime Commissioner for South Yorkshire and the 4. South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority have issued precepts 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.
- 5. That the Council, in accordance with the 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 2013/14 for each part of its area and for each of the categories of dwellings.

Sheffield City Council

Stocksbridge Town

Council

855.16

17.74

997.69

20.70

Sheffield City	Sheffield City Council (non-parish areas)  Valuation Band									
	<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>c</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>G</u>	<u>H</u>		
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£		
Sheffield City Council South Yorkshire Fire	855.16	997.69	1,140.22	1,282.75	1,567.80	1,852.85	2,137.91	2,565.49		
& Rescue Authority Police and Crime	42.52	49.61	56.69	63.78	77.95	92.13	106.30	127.56		
Commissioner for South Yorkshire Aggregate of Council	95.03	110.87	126.71	142.55	174.23	205.91	237.58	285.10		
tax requirement	992.71	1,158.17	1,323.62	1,489.08	1,819.98	2,150.89	2,481.79	2,978.15		
Bradfield Par	ish Cou	ncil								
			Valuati	on Band						
Sheffield City Council	855.16	997.69	1,140.22	1,282.75	1,567.80	1,852.85	2,137.91	2,565.49		
Bradfield Parish Council	24.81	28.94	33.08	37.21	45.48	53.75	62.02	74.42		
South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority Police and Crime	42.52	49.61	56.69	63.78	77.95	92.13	106.30	127.56		
Commissioner for South Yorkshire Aggregate of Council	95.03	110.87	126.71	142.55	174.23	205.91	237.58	285.10		
tax requirement	1,017.52	1,187.11	1,356.70	1,526.29	1,865.46	2,204.64	2,543.81	3,052.57		
Ecclesfield P	arish Co	ouncil								
			Valuati	on Band				ļ		
Sheffield City Council	855.16	997.69	1,140.22	1,282.75	1,567.80	1,852.85	2,137.91	2,565,49		
Ecclesfield Parish Council South Yorkshire Fire	9.48	11.06	12.64	14.22	17.38	20.54	23.70	28.44		
& Rescue Authority Police and Crime	42.52	49.61	56.69	63.78	77.95	92.13	106.30	127.56		
Commissioner for South Yorkshire Aggregate of Council	95.03	110.87	126.71	142.55	174.23	205.91	237.58	285.10		
tax requirement	1,002.19	1,169.23	1,336.26	1,503.30	1,837.36	2,171.43	2,505.49	3,006.59		
Stocksbridge	Stocksbridge Town Council  Valuation Band									

1,140.22 1,282.75 1,567.80

26.61

23.64

2,565.49

53.21

2,137.91

44.35

1,852.85

38.44

32.51

South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority Police and Crime Commissioner for	42.52	49.61	56.69	63.78	77.95	92.13	106.30	127.56
South Yorkshire	95.03	110.87	126.71	142.55	174.23	205.91	237.58	285.10
Aggregate of Council								
tax requirement	1,010.45	1,178.87	1,347.26	1,515.69	1,852.49	2,189.33	2,526.14	3,031.36

6. The Council's basic amount of Council Tax is not excessive in accordance with the principles approved under Section 52ZB of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, therefore no referendum is required.

Council Tax Schedule 2013/14	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
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Commissioner for South Yorkshire Total charge for non-	95.03	110.87	126.71	142.55	174.23	205.91	237.58	285.10
parish areas of Sheffield	992.71	1,158.17	1,323.62	1,489.08	1,819.98	2,150.89	2,481.79	2,978.15
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Stocksbridge Town Council	1,010.45	1,178.87	1,347.26	1,515.69	1,842.49	2,189.33	2,526.14	3,031.36

#### **Parish Council Precepts**

	2012-13			2013-14			
Parish Council	Tax Base	Precepts (£)	Council Tax Band D (£)	Tax Base	Precepts (£)	Council Tax Band D (£)	Council Tax Increase
Bradfield	6,031.65	224.112	37.1560	6,023.58	224.112	37.2058	0.13%
Ecclesfield	10,292.25	142,545	13.8497	10,217.10	145,310	14.2222	2.69%
Stocksbridge	4,114.47	102,982	25.0292	4,063.11	108,131	26.6129	6.33%
Total/average	20,438.37	469,639	22.9783	20,303.79	477,553	23.5204	2.36%

#### Motion to move to next business

RESOLVED: On the Motion of Councillor Pat Midgley, seconded by Councillor David Baker that (in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 17.13) the Council does now move to the next item of business and that the question be now put.

On being put to the vote, the amendment was carried.

It was then moved by Councillor Simon Clement-Jones, seconded by Councillor Shaffaq Mohammed, as an amendment, that the recommendations of the Cabinet held on 13<sup>th</sup> February, 2013, as relates to the City Council's Revenue Budget and Capital Programme 2013/2014, be replaced by the following resolution:-

#### RESOLVED: That this Council:

- regrets that as a result of the reckless spending of the previous Government, difficult decisions are required in all areas of public spending;
- (2) notes that the previous Government increased the national deficit year-on-year from 2001 onwards, reaching a total of £43 billion prior to the economic crash, to the point where £1 in every £4 the Government spent was borrowed;
- (3) reminds Members that the Labour Party pledged £82 billion worth of cuts by 2014, but have failed to provide any credible plans of where these cuts would have fallen:
- (4) however, remembers that the Labour Party have refused to commit to reversing any cut if elected, and therefore believes the Administration are displaying rank hypocrisy when refusing to accept responsibility for their own budget decisions;
- (5) furthermore, condemns the scare-mongering of Labour politicians, who have predicted a 'post-soviet meltdown' and riots in the streets of Sheffield;
- (6) compares this dangerous propaganda to the Council's State of Sheffield 2013 Report, which clearly states, "It is widely argued that the look and feel of the city, and its quality of life and place has never been stronger for many people";
- (7) highlights that while Sheffield will see a 3.9% reduction in its adjusted Formula Grant (including Early Intervention Grant and other funds), councils in the south of England will see much harsher reductions such as Wokingham on 5.6%, Guildford on 7.8%, East Dorset on 8.1% and Epsom & Ewell on 9.4%;
- (8) regrets the £25.3 million reduction taking place in Sheffield's formula funding in 2013/14, yet notes that Sheffield will benefit from numerous sources of Government funding next year, including:
  - (i) £6.5 million to help freeze Council Tax for hard-working families for a third consecutive year;
  - (ii) £42.7 million for the second year of the Streets Ahead programme, which will see every road, pavement and streetlight in the City repaired;
  - (iii) £10 million towards constructing a new University Technical College, to ensure the next generation of Sheffielders have the skills they need to help the City grow;

- (iv) £3.8 million to provide Free Early Learning for disadvantaged two-year-olds, rising to £5.4 million in 2014/15, in addition to another £18 million for Sheffield schools through the Pupil Premium:
- (v) millions of pounds invested in Sheffield's trams, trains and buses, alongside commitments to electrify the Midland Mainline and a new High Speed Rail station in Sheffield; and
- (vi) ongoing support for the local economy, through the Local Enterprise Partnership and the region's enterprise zone, which will generate 12,000 jobs for the local region;
- (9) in addition, welcomes the Sheffield City Deal, which places the City in the driving seat for growth and unlocks £700 million of investment for the City Region;
- (10) recalls the prudence of the previous Administration, whose 2011/12 budget generated a surplus of £6.2 million and contrasts this to the dithering incompetence of the present Administration, whose 2012/13 budget is currently running at a deficit of £1.2 million;
- (11) regrets, that despite promises to the contrary, the present Administration has returned to behaviour that is letting down the people of Sheffield, including;
  - (i) rejecting significant investment from the Government, including funds to support the weekly collection of black bins and help those struggling to pay Council Tax;
  - (ii) wasteful spending on pet projects, refurbishments of council accommodation, high-paid consultants and trade union officials;
  - (iii) support for their widely discredited 'favoured areas' policy, which sees cherry-picked areas prioritised, while communities across Sheffield remain forgotten; and
  - (iv) taking power away from local people and returning it into the hands of unaccountable Town Hall bureaucrats:
- (12) believes the present Administration's mismanagement has been most aptly demonstrated by the shambolic roll-out of fortnightly bin collections, with an almost weekly outpouring of embarrassments, mistakes and blunders by a gaffe-prone Cabinet Member;
- (13) recalls the main opposition group's 2012/13 budget amendment, which would have funded weekly bin collections long enough to secure Government cash towards the service and expresses disappointment that the Council rejected this Government offer of support;

- (14) notes that returning to weekly black bin collections would now cost the Council £9.2 million and confirms that this would not be an equitable option;
- (15) however, believes that a fairer budget can be delivered, and front-line services and jobs can be protected, by investigating sensible saving decisions, such as;
  - (i) reducing budgets for Trade Unions officials, which have been consistently protected to the detriment of front-line services;
  - (ii) reducing posts in communications, policy and research, political support and performance, instead of front-line staff;
  - (iii) sharing services between councils and trusts, improving enforcement of fines and eliminating costly "pet projects";
  - (iv) a small reduction in pay for the top 25% of earners in the Council, to produce a more equal structure and protect low-paid jobs such as care workers;
  - use of allocated reserves such as the Local Growth Fund, the Keep Sheffield Working Fund and the Fairness Commission Fund; and
  - (vi) re-prioritising millions of pounds previously earmarked for "Town Hall meeting rooms", since re-titled "city centre civic accommodation", to ensure taxpayers' money is being spent effectively;
- (16) confirms that by agreeing these savings, the Council could continue to provide the front-line services that local people care most about, such as:
  - (i) supporting families who are struggling with fortnightly bin collections by slashing the cost of green waste recycling and increasing opening hours at local recycling centres;
  - (ii) ensuring that culture is maintained in the City, by refusing to close a single library and retaining sports centres, like Don Valley Stadium, Graves Pool, and Stocksbridge Leisure Centre;
  - (iii) protecting Sheffield's green and open spaces, by investing in park maintenance, outdoor education and saving local public toilets;
  - (iv) assisting local businesses by investing in local centres, providing free parking on Saturdays at local centres and reinstating free Christmas parking;
  - (v) helping the most vulnerable in our City by supporting local

- children's centres through a period of change, keeping open a local dementia care centre and tackling empty homes to ensure housing is available across the City;
- (vi) allowing local people and community groups to have their say by retaining popular community assemblies, increasing community funding and providing a local transport fund for assemblies;
- (17) furthermore, recalls the debate on the 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2013 on Council Tax Support and confirms that, not only is Transitional Funding no longer available, the scheme cannot legally be amended, yet nevertheless recommends that the hardship fund is doubled;
- (18) therefore instructs the Executive Director, Resources to implement the general fund revenue budget and the capital programme with the following amendments:-

#### The following non-recurring adjustments

Fairness Commission Fund							
Savings	£	Investments	£				
Use of the Fairness Commission Fund	888k	Deliver a Living Wage this year for Council-employed agency staff	34k				
		Double the Council's Hardship Fund	500k				
		Introduce a transition fund for non-Council maintained children's centres	350k				
Total	888k	Total	888k				

Local Growth Fund							
Savings	£	Investments	£				
Use of the Local Growth Fund	801k	Triple investment available for bringing empty homes back into use	800k				
Reallocate funds for Park Hill Green Links	299k	Double investment in our local and district centres	300k				
Total	1,100k	Total	1,100k				

Keep Sheffield Working Fund					
Savings	Investments	£			
Use of Keep Sheffield Working Fund 234k		Provide free parking on Saturdays at local and district centres	180k		
		Reverse parking permit rises	29k		

		for local businesses this year	
		Provide free parking in the city-centre two weeks before this Christmas	25k
Total	234k	Total	234k

### The following recurring adjustments (except where shown):

General Revenue Fund						
Savings	£	Investments	£			
Instigate a pay review with a reduction of 2.5% for staff on a salary between £30k and £39k and 5% on a salary greater than £39k	1,200k	Ensure that no library is closed in 2013/14 by reversing reductions in funding for the libraries service	370k			
Reduce the number of full- time trade union officials to one per union	100k	Drastically slash the cost of green waste recycling from £1.20 a sack to 30p a sack	1,000k			
Delete three senior manager posts, including: Director of Health Improvement; Director of Business Information & Transformation; Director of Commercial Services.	150k	Increase the opening hours at local recycling centres by a combined total of three days.	100k			
End the Castle Market discount	215k	Retain Community Assemblies model and increase discretionary funding to 100k per Assembly	425k			
Ensure the sustainable development department is dependent on external income	155k	Delay the closure of the Don Valley Stadium until at least April 2014	(114k)			
Deliver savings by sharing services between Sheffield trusts	100k	Delay the closure of Stocksbridge Leisure Centre for an absolute minimum of 12 months	239k			
Reduce the number of City Centre Ambassadors	100k	Reverse proposals to close Bole Hill View dementia care centre	183k			
Reduce Communication posts in the Council	100k	Retain discretionary denominational home to school transport for Year 10s and 11s	107k			
Delete the two Scrutiny Policy Officer posts	85k	Reverse proposed increases in residents' parking permit charges	75k			

Sheffield First Partnership  Delete the Labour Group Support Officer post Increase charges within	29k	centre	
by a further 10%  Withdraw funding for the	44k 39k	hours at Heeley Baths and Graves Pool Reverse cuts to outdoor education at the Mayfield	20k 8k
Reduce Policy & Research posts by a further 10%  Reduce Performance staff	58k	Employ a parks volunteer co- ordinator to ensure maintenance continues Retain the current opening	30k
End the ongoing subsidy of the Burngreave New Deal "white elephants"	80k	Keep open Rivelin, Stocksbridge, Abbey Lane, Bradfield, Chapeltown and Fox House public toilets by levelling a small charge of 20p	37k

General Capital Fund					
Re-phase cost of Moorfoot refurbishment by less than 6% next year	300k	Accelerate programme of legal powers to tackle dangerous parking outside Sheffield schools	300k		
Review funding currently earmarked for city centre civic accommodation	earmarked for city centre TBC		Neutral		

- (19) believes the £2.2 million earmarked for City Centre Civic Accommodation is not necessary and should be reviewed again by the Cabinet before any implementation;
- (20) approves those specific projects included in the 2012/13 to 2016/17 Capital Programme at Appendix 10 of the report on the Capital Programme 2013/14 to 2016/17 now submitted, subject to the amendments outlined in paragraph (18) above, with block allocations being included within the Programme for noting at this stage and detailed proposals will be brought back for separate Member approval as part of the monthly monitoring procedures;
- (21) notes the Capital Programme for the 5 years to 2016/17 as per Appendix 10 of the report on the Capital Programme subject to the amendments outlined in paragraph (18) above;

- (22) approves the proposals at paragraph 18 of the report on the Capital Programme to address the current funding gap on Building Schools for the Future (BSF) and notes that progress will be monitored and reported to Members as part of the normal budget monitoring process;
- (23) approves the allocations from the Corporate Resource Pool and the policy outlined in Appendix 4 such that the commitment from the CRP is limited to one year and no CRP supported schemes are approved beyond 2013 -14, and if substantial capital receipts are realised within 2012-13 or 2013-14 a further report will be brought to Members as part of the monthly approval process;
- (24) approves the proposal at paragraph 33 of the report on the Capital Programme to incorporate all capital receipts arising from non charitable covenanted Parks into the CRP;
- after noting the joint report of the Chief Executive and the Executive Director, Resources now submitted on the Revenue Budget 2013/14, approves and adopts a net Revenue Budget for 2013/14 amounting to £477.426m, as set out in Appendix 3 of that report, and subsequently amended in the light of paragraph (18) above, as follows:-

#### **Summary Revenue Budget 2013-14**

Original		Proposed
Budget		Budget
2012/13		2013/14
£000		£000
	Portfolio Budgets:	
67,224	Children Young People and Families	81,739
156,574	Communities	161,811
102,855	Place	103,156
10,620	Deputy Chief Executive	8,216
58,036	Resources	57,805
395,309	Total Portfolio budgets	412,727
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0	Hardship Fund	500
4.004	Specific Grants	4.040
-4,931 -7,280	Council Tax Freeze Grant NHS Funding	-1,642 -9,683
-7,260 -741	Learning Disability and Homelessness Grants	-9,009
-26,525	PFI Grant	-40,724
-3,375	New Homes Bonus (LGF)	-4,479
	Corporate Items	
13,000	Redundancy Provision	9,000
1,000	Pension Costs	1,000
3,829	Digital Region	1,229
500	Carbon Reduction Commitment	1,000
-500	Review of Management Costs	-500
-950	Improved debt collection	-450
0	Public Health Savings	-3,400
0	Keep Sheffield Working Fund	400
0	Contingency - Adults Social Care Pressures	3,000
0	Payment to Parish Councils	82
0	Living Wage	160
3,375	New Homes Bonus (LGF)	6,642
0	Fairness Commission	112
-108	Other	1,742
36,977	ITA Levy	34,694
36,686	Capital Financing costs	38,237
24,667	MSF capital financing costs	35,275
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- (c) £ 164,733,140 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 31(A)4) of the Act as its Council Tax requirement for the year (Item R in the formula in Section 31B of the Act).
- (d) £ 1,286.4746 being the amount at 3(c) above (Item R), all divided by Item T (1(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) £ 477,553 being the aggregate amount of all special items (Parish precepts) referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act (as per the attached Appendix 6b).
- (f) £ 1,282.7452 being the amount at 3(d) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 3(e) above by Item T (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 Parish precept relates.
- 4. To note that the Police and Crime Commissioner for South Yorkshire and the South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority have issued precepts 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.
- 5. That the Council, in accordance with the 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 2013/14 for each part of its area and for each of the categories of dwellings.

#### **Sheffield City Council (non-parish areas)**

Valuation Band								,
	<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>c</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>G</u>	<u>H</u>
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	<u>£</u>
Sheffield City Council South Yorkshire Fire	855.16	997.69	1,140.22	1,282.75	1,567.80	1,852.85	2,137.91	2,565.49
& Rescue Authority Police and Crime Commissioner for	42.52	49.61	56.69	63.78	77.95	92.13	106.30	127.56
South Yorkshire	95.03	110.87	126.71	142.55	174.23	205.91	237.58	285.10
Aggregate of Council tax requirement	992.71	1,158.17	1,323.62	1,489.08	1,819.98	2,150.89	2,481.79	2,978.15

Bradfield Parish Council									
			Valuati	on Band					
Sheffield City Council Bradfield Parish	855.16	997.69	1,140.22	1,282.75	1,567.80	1,852.85	2,137.91	2,565.49	
Council South Yorkshire Fire	24.81	28.94	33.08	37.21	45.48	53.75	62.02	74.42	
& Rescue Authority Police and Crime Commissioner for	42.52	49.61	56.69	63.78	77.95	92.13	106.30	127.56	
South Yorkshire	95.03	110.87	126.71	142.55	174.23	205.91	237.58	285.10	
Aggregate of Council									
tax requirement	1,017.52	1,187.11	1,356.70	1,526.29	1,865.46	2,204.64	2,543.81	3,052.57	

Ecclesfield Parish Council									
Valuation Band									
Sheffield City Council Ecclesfield Parish	855.16	997.69	1,140.22	1,282.75	1,567.80	1,852.85	2,137.91	2,565,49	
Council	9.48	11.06	12.64	14.22	17.38	20.54	23.70	28.44	
South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority	42.52	49.61	56.69	63.78	77.95	92.13	106.30	127.56	

Police and Crime Commissioner for South Yorkshire	95.03	110.87	126.71	142.55	174.23	205.91	237.58	285.10
Aggregate of Council								
tax requirement	1,002.19	1,169.23	1,336.26	1,503.30	1,837.36	2,171.43	2,505.49	3,006.59

### **Stocksbridge Town Council**

Valuation Band								
Sheffield City Council Stocksbridge Town	855.16	997.69	1,140.22	1,282.75	1,567.80	1,852.85	2,137.91	2,565.49
Council South Yorkshire Fire	17.74	20.70	23.64	26.61	32.51	38.44	44.35	53.21
& Rescue Authority Police and Crime Commissioner for	42.52	49.61	56.69	63.78	77.95	92.13	106.30	127.56

South Yorkshire 95.03 110.87 126.71 142.55 174.23 205.91 237.58 285.10 Aggregate of Council 1,010.45 1,178.87 1,347.26 1,515.69 1,852.49 2,189.33 2,526.14 3,031.36 tax requirement

6. The Council's basic amount of Council Tax is not excessive in accordance with the principles approved under Section 52ZB of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, therefore no referendum is required.

Council Tax Schedule 2013/14	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
Sheffield City Council South Yorkshire Fire	855.16	997.69	1,140.22	1,282.75	1,567.80	1,852.85	2,137.91	2,565.49
& Rescue Authority Police and Crime	42.52	49.61	56.69	63.78	77.95	92.13	106.30	127.56
Commissioner for South Yorkshire	95.03	110.87	126.71	142.55	174.23	205.91	237.58	285.10
Total charge for non- parish areas of Sheffield	992.71	1,158.17	1,323.62	1,489.08	1,819.98	2,150.89	2,481.79	2,978.15
Bradfield Parish Council	1,017.52	1,187.11	1,356.70	1,526.70	1,865.46	2,204.64	2,543.81	3,052.27
Ecclesfield Parish Council	1,002.19	1,169.23	1,336.26	1,503.30	1,837.36	2,171.43	2,505.49	3,006.59
Stocksbridge Town Council	1,010.45	1,178.87	1,347.26	1,515.69	1,842.49	2,189.33	2,526.14	3,031.36

### **Parish Council Precepts**

	2012-13						
Dariah Caunail	Tax	Precepts	Council Tax	Tax	Precepts	Council Tax	Council Tax
Parish Council	Base	(£)	Band D (£)	Base	(£)	Band D (£)	Increase
Bradfield	6,031.65	224.112	37.1560	6,023.58	224.112	37.2058	0.13%
Ecclesfield	10,292.25	142,545	13.8497	10,217.10	145,310	14.2222	2.69%
Stocksbridge	4,114.47	102,982	25.0292	4,063.11	108,131	26.6129	6.33%
Total/average	20,438.37	469,639	22.9783	20,303.79	477,553	23.5204	2.36%

#### Motion to move to next business

RESOLVED: On the Motion of Councillor Pat Midgley, seconded by Councillor Shaffaq Mohammed that (a) (in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 17.13) the Council does now move to the next item of business and that the question be now put and (b) Council Procedure Rule 5.5 relating to the time at which the meeting will terminate, be suspended so that the meeting could continue until 6.45pm.)

On being put to the vote, the amendment was negatived.

The votes on the above amendment were ordered to be recorded and were as follows:-

For the amendment (18)

The Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor Vickie Priestley) and Councillors Simon Clement Jones, Shaffaq Mohammed, , Sylvia Anginotti, Rob Frost, Keith Hill, Diana Stimely, Penny Baker, Roger Davison, Sue Alston, Andrew Sangar, Denise Reaney, Ian Auckland, Bob McCann, David Baker, Katie Condliffe Alison Brelsford and Trevor Bagshaw.

Against the amendment (59)

The Lord Mayor (Councillor John Campbell) and Councillors Julie Dore, John Robson, Jack Scott, Clive Skelton, Roy Munn, Ian Saunders, Helen Mirfin Boukouris, Chris Rosling Josephs, Bryan Lodge, Denise Fox, Karen McGowan, Jayne Dunn, Jackie Drayton, Ibrar Hussain, Talib Hussain, Mohammad Maroof, Jillian Creasy, Robert Murphy, Geoff Smith, Mary Lea, Harry Harpham, Mazher Igbal, Steven Wilson, Garry Weatherall, Sheila Constance, Chris Weldon, Alan Law, Steve Jones, Tim Rippon, Cate McDonald, George Lindars Hammond, Robert Johnson, Janet Bragg, Pat Midgley, Jenny Armstrong, Terry Fox, Tony Downing, David Barker, Isobel Bowler, Qurban Hussain, Nikki Bond, Martin Lawton, Sioned Mair Richards, Peter Price, Peter Rippon, Leigh Bramall, Tony Damms, Gill Furniss, Richard Crowther, Philip Wood, Neale Gibson, Nikki Sharpe, Ben Curran, Adam Hurst, Alf Meade, Jackie Satur, Mick Rooney and Ray Satur.

Abstained on the amendment (0)

Nil

It was then moved by Councillor Jillian Creasy, seconded by Councillor Robert Murphy, as an amendment, that the recommendations of the Cabinet held on 13<sup>th</sup> February, 2013, as relates to the City Council's Revenue Budget and Capital Programme 2013/2014, be replaced by the following resolution:-

#### RESOLVED: That this Council:

- 1. regards the cuts to local authority funding as unnecessary and unfair;
- 2. remembers that the party of the smaller opposition group was the only one to set out a manifesto for the 2010 general election which showed how the cuts could be completely avoided, whilst others proposed and continue to support an austerity agenda;
- 3. regrets that Sheffield City Council has further limited its room for manoeuvre by transferring more than half its services (in terms of revenue spending) to outside contractors and partners, reducing flexibility and limiting opportunities for locally owned businesses;
- 4. recognises, however, that the Council is obliged to set a legal budget or risk being taken over by Whitehall and losing any remaining choice in how the City is run;
- 5. believes that, as the economic crisis deepens, the principle of fairness is ever more important and that it is reasonable to ask those with the broadest shoulders to carry more of the burden and to prioritise protecting the most vulnerable;
- 6. believes that the Council could set an example by:
  - (a) reducing the pay of employees on salaries of greater than £50k in an incremental manner so that the highest paid take the greatest cuts;
  - (b) cutting management costs in Prevention and Early Intervention (the Council-run Multi Agency Support Teams, which face cuts of only 2.2% compared to cuts of over 50% in children's centres and childcare);
  - (c) cutting the remaining political assistants, allowing elected members to do their own research and press work; and
  - (d) cutting development activity funding;
- 7. has listened to the people of Sheffield as they have petitioned us in their tens of thousands and now wishes to give them the opportunity to vote in a referendum on whether they are willing to pay slightly more Council tax (a 2.95% overall increase and 48p a week for the majority of

households) in order to fund some of the services they value and to help mitigate the regressive effect of the underfunded Council Tax Support scheme (whereby the poorest households will see a Council tax rise of nine times this amount);

- 8. approves the following investments:-
  - (a) fund Early Years Services in full for a further six months with future funding and organization pending a collaborative review of early years services;
  - (b) keep Stocksbridge Leisure Centre open, giving the local community time to find a sustainable way forward, preferably in partnership with the Council;
  - (c) reverse the cuts to libraries with plans put in place for a staffed service across all libraries;
  - (d) provide funding for dedicated staff at the Highfield and Pitsmoor Adventure Playgrounds and Verdon Street Recreation Centre;
  - (e) triple the hardship fund set up to help particularly needy households amongst the 30,000 hit by the loss of Council tax benefit who will have to find an extra £4.52 a week for Council tax, often in addition to Council house rent rises and loss of housing benefit ("the bedroom tax");
  - (f) consult on and introduce a higher cap for the Council Tax Support Scheme as soon as possible;
  - (g) recognises that the cost of energy and other environmental pressures such as resource depletion and the effects of climate change pose increasing pressures on the Council and the people of Sheffield and will therefore retain a senior officer post with responsibility for Sustainable Development, looking to make it selffunding over the medium term; and
  - (h) adjust other parking charges rather than increase the cost of parking permits above the 2010 level;

Savings/income	£000	Investments/costs	£000
Cut remaining political assistants  Reduce staff salaries by 10% for posts above £50k	105	Fund Early Years Services  Keep Stocksbridge Leisure Centre open, giving time for local community to find a sustainable way forward	1,800
	360	15.115.15	310

Reduction in Prevention & Early Intervention management costs, removing around 10		Libraries cuts reversed for 2013/14	
posts	290		370
Cut development activity funding in HR		Highfields & Pitsmoor Adventure	
Service	250	Playground kept open	180
		Council Tax hardship fund tripled with additional funds for	
Increase of 2.95% in Council Tax for 2013/14	4,845	administration	1,100
		Funding for local council tax	
Contribution from Local Growth Fund	202	referendum	600
		Retain a senior officer post with responsibility for Sustainable Development	50
		Bevelopment	
		Loss of Council Tax Freeze Grant	1,642
TOTAL	6,052	TOTAL	6,052

- 9. agrees that, if the proposal in paragraph 7 is rejected in a local Council tax referendum, the investment proposals set out in paragraphs 8(a) to (g) above be withdrawn, and the savings identified in paragraph 6 above, together with a contribution from the Local Growth Fund, be used to pay the cost of the referendum, the cost of rebilling Council tax payers and the costs of the investment proposals that will have been incurred in the early part of the financial year;
- 10. accordingly instructs the Executive Director, Resources, to implement the City Council's Revenue Budget and Capital Programme 2013/2014 with the amendments outlined in paragraphs (6) to (9) above;
- 11. approves those specific projects included in the 2012/13 to 2016/17 Capital Programme at Appendix 10 of the report on the Capital Programme 2013/14 to 2016/17 now submitted, with block allocations being included within the Programme for noting at this stage and detailed proposals will be brought back for separate Member approval as part of the monthly monitoring procedures;
- 12. notes the Capital Programme for the 5 years to 2016/17 as per Appendix 10 of the report on the Capital Programme;
- 13. approves the proposals at paragraph 18 of the report on the Capital Programme to address the current funding gap on Building Schools for the Future (BSF) and notes that progress will be monitored and reported to Members as part of the normal budget monitoring process;
- 14. approves the allocations from the Corporate Resource Pool and the policy outlined in Appendix 4 such that the commitment from the CRP is limited to one year and no CRP supported schemes are approved beyond 2013 -14, and if substantial capital receipts are realised within 2012-13 or 2013-14 a further report will be brought to Members as part of the monthly approval process:

- 15. approves the proposal at paragraph 33 of the report on the Capital Programme to incorporate all capital receipts arising from non charitable covenanted Parks into the CRP;
- after noting the joint report of the Chief Executive and the Executive Director, Resources now submitted on the Revenue Budget 2013/14, approves and adopts a net Revenue Budget for 2013/14 amounting to £428.271m, as set out in Appendix 3 of that report, and subsequently amended in the light of paragraphs (6) to (9) above, as follows:-

Original Budget 2012/13		Proposed Budget 2013/14
£000		£000
2000	Portfolio Budgets:	2000
67,224	Children Young People and Families	82,784
156,574	Communities	161,253
102,855	Place	102,500
10,620	Deputy Chief Executive	8,636
58,036	Resources	57,735
395,309	Total Portfolio budgets	412,908
	Corporate Budgets:	
	Specific Budget Amendments	
0	Hardship Fund	1,100
0	Referendum Costs	600
0	Salary Reductions	-360
0	Contribution from Local Growth Fund	-202
	Specific Grants	
-4,931	Council Tax Freeze Grant	0
-7,280	NHS Funding	-9,683
-741	Learning Disability and Homelessness Grants	0
-26,525 -3,375	PFI Grant New Homes Bonus (LGF)	-40,724 -4,479
0,070	New Hemice Bends (Eer )	4,470
	Corporate Items	
13,000	Redundancy Provision	9,000

1,000	Pension Costs	1,000
3,829	Digital Region	1,229
500	Carbon Reduction Commitment	1,000
-500	Review of Management Costs	-500
-950	Improved debt collection	-450
0	Public Health Savings	-3,400
0	Keep Sheffield Working Fund	400
0	Contingency - Adults Social Care Pressures	3,000
0	Payment to Parish Councils	82
0	Living Wage	160
3,375	New Homes Bonus (LGF)	6,642
0	Fairness Commission	1,000
-108	Other	1,742
36,977	ITA Levy	34,694
36,686	Capital Financing costs	38,237
24,667	MSF capital financing costs	35,275
-7,415	Contribution from Reserves	-6,000
463,518	Total Expenditure	482,271
	Financing of Net Expenditure	
-5,053	Revenue Support Grant	-190,105
-260,679	NNDR/Business Rates Income	-95,265
0	Business Rates Top Up Grant	-27,800
-197,267	Council Tax income	-169,101
-519	Collection fund surplus	0
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-463,518	Total Financing	-482,271

- 17. approves a Band D equivalent Council Tax of £1,320.59 for City Council services, i.e. an increase of 2.95% on the level set for 2012/13;
- 18. approves the Revenue Budget allocations and Budget Implementation Plans for each of the services, as set out in Appendix 2 of the Revenue Budget report, subject to the amendments outlined in paragraphs (6) to (9) above;
- 19. notes the latest 2012/13 budget monitoring position;

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- 20. approves the Treasury Management and Annual Investment Strategies set out in Appendix 7 of the Revenue Budget report and the recommendations contained therein:
- 21. approves the Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) Statement set out in Appendix 7 of the Revenue Budget report;
- 22. agrees that authority be delegated to the Director of Finance to undertake Treasury Management activity, to create and amend appropriate Treasury Management Practice Statements and to report on the operation of Treasury Management activity on the terms set out in these documents;
- 23. agrees that interim authority to spend the Public Health ring-fenced grant be delegated to the Director of Public Health and Executive Directors, subject to a further report to the Cabinet in April 2013;
- 24. approves a Pay Policy for 2013/14 as set out in Appendix 8 of the Revenue Budget report;
- 25. agrees that the Members' Allowances Scheme approved by the Council on 3rd March, 2010 for 2010/11, and implemented for 2011/12 and 2012/13, be also implemented for 2013/14, pending a review of the Scheme being submitted to the Council's Annual General Meeting on 15th May, 2013;
- 26. notes that, based on the estimated expenditure level of £482.271m set out in Appendix 3 of the Revenue Budget report, the amounts shown in part B below would be calculated by the City Council for the year 2013/14, in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992;
- 27. notes the precepts issued by local parish councils which add £477,553 to the calculation of the budget requirement in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992;
- 28. notes the information on the precepts issued by the South Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner and the South Yorkshire Fire and Civil Defence Authority, together with the impact of these on the overall amount of Council Tax to be charged in the City Council's area;