

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Council of the City of Sheffield held on Wednesday 3 March 2021, at 2.00 pm, as a remote meeting in accordance with the provisions of The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020, pursuant to notice duly given and Summonses duly served.

## PRESENT

THE LORD MAYOR (Councillor Tony Downing)  
THE DEPUTY LORD MAYOR (Councillor Gail Smith)

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| 1 <i>Beauchief &amp; Greenhill Ward</i><br>Simon Clement-Jones<br>Bob Pullin<br>Richard Shaw | 10 <i>East Ecclesfield Ward</i><br>Andy Bainbridge<br>Vic Bowden<br>Moya O'Rourke    | 19 <i>Nether Edge &amp; Sharrow Ward</i><br>Peter Garbutt<br>Jim Steinke<br>Alison Teal           |
| 2 <i>Beighton Ward</i><br>Bob McCann<br>Chris Rosling-Josephs<br>Sophie Wilson               | 11 <i>Ecclesall Ward</i><br>Roger Davison<br>Barbara Masters<br>Shaffaq Mohammed     | 20 <i>Park &amp; Arbourthorne</i><br>Julie Dore<br>Ben Miskell<br>Jack Scott                      |
| 3 <i>Birley Ward</i><br>Denise Fox<br>Bryan Lodge<br>Karen McGowan                           | 12 <i>Firth Park Ward</i><br>Abdul Khayum<br>Abtisam Mohamed                         | 21 <i>Richmond Ward</i><br>Mike Drabble<br>Dianne Hurst   |
| 4 <i>Broomhill &amp; Sharrow Vale Ward</i><br>Angela Argenzio<br>Kaltum Rivers               | 13 <i>Fulwood Ward</i><br>Sue Alston<br>Andrew Sangar<br>Cliff Woodcraft             | 22 <i>Shiregreen &amp; Brightside Ward</i><br>Dawn Dale<br>Peter Price<br>Garry Weatherall        |
| 5 <i>Burngreave Ward</i><br>Jackie Drayton<br>Talib Hussain<br>Mark Jones                    | 14 <i>Gleadless Valley Ward</i><br>Lewis Dagnall<br>Cate McDonald<br>Paul Turpin     | 23 <i>Southey Ward</i><br>Mike Chaplin<br>Tony Damms<br>Jayne Dunn                                |
| 6 <i>City Ward</i><br>Douglas Johnson<br>Ruth Mersereau<br>Martin Phipps                     | 15 <i>Graves Park Ward</i><br>Ian Auckland<br>Sue Auckland<br>Steve Ayris            | 24 <i>Stannington Ward</i><br>David Baker<br>Penny Baker<br>Vickie Priestley                      |
| 7 <i>Crookes &amp; Crosspool Ward</i><br>Tim Huggan<br>Mohammed Mahroof<br>Anne Murphy       | 16 <i>Hillsborough Ward</i><br>Bob Johnson<br>George Lindars-Hammond<br>Josie Paszek | 25 <i>Stocksbridge &amp; Upper Don Ward</i><br>Jack Clarkson<br>Julie Grocutt<br>Francyne Johnson |
| 8 <i>Darnall Ward</i><br>Mazher Iqbal<br>Mary Lea<br>Zahira Naz                              | 17 <i>Manor Castle Ward</i><br>Terry Fox<br>Sioned-Mair Richards                     | 26 <i>Walkley Ward</i><br>Ben Curran<br>Neale Gibson  |
| 9 <i>Dore &amp; Totley Ward</i><br>Joe Otten<br>Colin Ross<br>Martin Smith                   | 18 <i>Mosborough Ward</i><br>Tony Downing<br>Kevin Oxley<br>Gail Smith               | 27 <i>West Ecclesfield Ward</i><br>Alan Hooper<br>Adam Hurst<br>Mike Levery                       |
|  |  | 28 <i>Woodhouse Ward</i><br>Mick Rooney<br>Jackie Satur<br>Paul Wood                              |

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

- 1.1 An apology for absence from Councillor Alan Law was reported during the meeting.

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

- 2.1 No Member declared an inability to vote on the setting of the Council Tax charge on the grounds of having Council Tax arrears of at least two months.
- 2.2 During the meeting, declarations of interests were made by Councillors Joe Otten and Mick Rooney as follows:-

(a) Councillor Otten declared a personal interest in item 8 on the agenda (item 6 of the minutes) - Revenue Budget and Capital Programme 2021-22 – in relation to the reference made to a proposed highway crossing on Hangingwater Road on the grounds that his daughter had been offered a place at High Storrs School next academic year and would therefore benefit from such a crossing; and

(b) Councillor Rooney declared a personal interest in item 4 on the agenda (item 3 of the minutes) - Public Questions – in relation to the questions regarding proposed job losses at the Rolls Royce Advanced Blade Casting Facility on the grounds that his brother-in-law had one of the jobs at risk.

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

- 3.1 The Lord Mayor (Councillor Tony Downing) reported that three petitions and questions from five members of the public had been received prior to the published deadline for submission of petitions and questions for this meeting. He invited the petitioners to present their petitions, and the questioners to ask their questions.

**3.2 Petitions**

**3.2.1 Petition Requesting Action to Tackle Parking Problems on the Road Around Rother Valley Country Park**

The Council received a petition containing 241 signatures requesting the Council to urgently tackle the dangerous parking on the road around Rother Valley Country Park, and to work with the Country Park and Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council to come up with a long-term solution to the problem.

Representations on behalf of the petitioners were made by Ann Woolhouse, who informed the Council that the car park at Rother Valley Country Park was small and in poor condition. There were problems with parking in the area and this was a concern for residents that lived in the area who had said that although

problems had been exacerbated by the coronavirus, the situation was also generally bad during summer. People parked vehicles on Meadowgate Drive and this adversely affected visibility for residents coming out from their driveway and there was a potential for accidents.

Ann Woolhouse said that cars parked on pavements and this obstructed pedestrians. She outlined the effect on wheelchair users and their ability to access the Park because of the potential danger of having to walk on the road due to pavements being blocked by visitors' cars. There was also concern about access for emergency vehicles, particularly when vehicles were parked on both sides of the road.

She asked what the City Council was going to do about the car park and the parking in the area.

The Council referred the petition to Councillor Julie Grocutt (Cabinet Member for Transport and Development). Councillor Grocutt thanked Ann Woolhouse for presenting the petition. She confirmed that action would be taken to tackle the dangerous parking in the areas around Rother Valley Country Park and that the Council would work with the Country Park and Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council to find a long-term solution to the problem. Discussions had already begun with Rotherham and as Cabinet Member she explained that she had met with residents, the local Councillor and Member of Parliament to listen and understand the issues residents were facing.

Councillor Grocutt explained that she had asked officers in the Strategic Transport and Infrastructure service and Parking Services to coordinate with colleagues in the Parks and Countryside and Woodlands Service to propose a plan to tackle the issues. The plan would be co-operative with Rotherham Borough Council and the Country Park and the adjoining highways authority and the ambition was to develop a joined up coherent plan to minimise the impact on local residents, improve traffic management and options for short term parking for Rother Valley Country Park. Officers were investigating the funding options available to deliver an effective plan and the expectation was that the transport planning resource to develop and deliver the final plan was available to begin work on this project in mid-spring. In the meantime, the Council would continue to work with the Safer Neighbourhoods Policing Team to tackle the dangerous parking. She said that the local Councillor would be pleased to provide updates to the community.

3.2.2 Petition requesting the Council to Reduce the Waiting Times for Council House Repairs in Line with other Regional Local Authorities

The Council received a joint paper and electronic petition containing 876 signatures requesting the Council to reduce waiting times for Council house repairs in line with other regional local authorities.

Representations on behalf of the petitioners were made by Sophie Thornton who outlined various issues and concerns relating to people waiting for long periods of time for housing repairs, including someone being without a shower for over

six weeks, water leaks and roof leaks. She explained the effects on people and their families including in relation to their physical and mental health.

She said that the problem appeared to affect many people and that the petition showed the widespread dissatisfaction with the housing repairs service. She said that the Council could address the issues by admitting that there was a problem and apologising and committing to address the problems. She asked what the Council was going to do to tackle the issue.

The Council referred the petition to Councillor Paul Wood (Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods and Community Safety).

Councillor Wood apologised to the tenants including those mentioned by Sophie Thornton. He said he did not want to comment on individual cases, but would carry out investigations into each case.

Councillor Wood stated that the high average waiting time Sophie Thornton referred to applied to only one sector of repairs within the Housing Service. He said prior to COVID-19 the average waiting time across all sectors was 15.09 days; however, it was now 17.84 days. Councillor Wood stated that some increases in waiting times were due to tenants requesting their own supplies, which then needed to be ordered before work can be done.

Councillor Wood said that due to COVID-19, two sectors of the Housing Repairs service had been temporarily stopped, but were now due to be opened again. He said the Council would be creating extra capacity through offering over-time to existing staff and recruiting new Trade Operatives to fill vacancies. He added that 20 long-term apprentices were due to complete their qualification within the next month, and said that the Council was also considering increasing the work done with agency staff and sub-contractors.

Councillor Wood encouraged increased engagement with local Councillors across the city. He said he would respond to the individual cases and to Sophie Thornton as lead petitioner in writing.

### **3.2.3 Petition Requesting Road Safety Measures on Mortimer Road**

The Council received a joint electronic and paper petition containing 375 signatures, requesting road safety measures on Mortimer Road. Representations on behalf of the petitioners were made by Julie Firth, who informed the Council that Mortimer Road is an unclassified country lane, which in some places is single track, with steep bends and drops. She said the road was increasingly popular, and that some motorcyclists did not adhere to the speed limit. She said there have been a number of accidents on the road, despite signs warning of the dangers. Julie Firth stated the petitioners would like the speed limit reducing from 60mph to 50mph.

Julie Firth stated that the speed limit in the nearby village of Midhopestones was 30mph. She requested that the sign indicating the change in speed limit be moved further up the road to allow drivers more notice. She added that the

petitioners would also like to see more warning signs, crash barriers and speed cameras.

The Council referred the petition to Councillor Julie Grocutt (Cabinet Member for Transport and Development). Councillor Grocutt thanked Julie Firth for presenting the petition. She said that due to the number of road safety measure requests received, the Council had to assess and prioritise locations using a supporting evidence-based justification. She explained that the Council only had the budget to carry out three large area road safety schemes per year, and these were based on treating locations with high accident records.

Councillor Grocutt explained that Mortimer Road was almost 10 miles long, and that records show there had been 15 injury collisions across the 10-mile lane over the past 5 years. She said that there were areas across Sheffield with higher accident records and which must be treated as a priority. Councillor Grocutt said that changes had been made to Mortimer Road, including a new bend warning sign located on the first bend (after the Sugworth Rd turning when driving north). She added that maintenance work to clear overgrowing foliage had also been carried out, and bend marking posts had been replaced.

Councillor Grocutt said that the South Yorkshire Safety Camera Partnership was responsible for deciding on locations for safety cameras, as it assessed the locations of community concern. She said she would arrange for the details of the petition concerning Mortimer Road to be given to the Safety Camera Partnership.

### 3.3 Questions

#### 3.3.1 Public Question Concerning City-Wide Landlord Licensing

Caty Murray (Branch Secretary), on behalf of ACORN Sheffield, asked Councillor Paul Wood if he would commit to introducing city-wide landlord licensing following ACORN's accounts of bad landlords; presented to the Town Hall on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> February.

Councillor Paul Wood (Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods and Community Safety) responded and thanked Caty Murray for bringing this question to the Council. Councillor Wood said that the Council took private sector landlords and the quality of housing very seriously, and was committed to ensuring the highest standards for tenants both in private and public housing. He added that a Council accredited landlord scheme had been introduced.

Councillor Wood stated that there would be greater investment in private rented sector and enforcement teams and the Council budget showed the largest investment in recent years in the private rented sector. He explained that a working group had been set up to consider a city-wide licensing scheme, and the group will report back later in the year. There would also be increased monitoring of the private rented sector. Councillor Wood asked Caty Murray to forward any reports and concerns through to him, or to the tenant's local Councillor so these could be addressed.

### 3.3.2 Public Questions Concerning Proposed Job Losses at Rolls Royce

The Lord Mayor reported that Catherine Flannery and Dean Burgin had submitted questions concerning the proposed job losses at Rolls Royce. Both of them were not able to attend the Council meeting in person and Flis Callow would present the questions on behalf of Catherine Flannery and the questions of Dean Burgin would be dealt with in writing.

Flis Callow (on behalf of Catherine Flannery of the Orgreave Truth and Justice Campaign) asked the following questions and read a letter sent to the Council:

“I am writing on behalf of the Orgreave Truth and Justice Campaign about the proposed job losses at the Rolls Royce Advanced Blade Casting Facility at the Advanced Manufacturing Park. As Wednesday is the Council Budget meeting the threat of these job losses on top of those the city has already sustained is of particular importance.

Sheffield City Council have given our campaign considerable support and solidarity and we have been proud to stand shoulder to shoulder with the Council on many occasions to support our communities. We were extremely heartened, as you were, when the old and derelict Orgreave coking plant site was eventually going to be used for the benefit of our communities, providing local jobs and regenerating the area.

The Orgreave Truth and Justice Campaign is most concerned to see the proposed losses of 75 jobs at the Rolls Royce Advanced Blade Casting Facility at the Advanced Manufacturing Park. The legacy of the 1984/85 Miners' Strike was huge job losses in this area, not just in the coal mining industry, but job losses as a result of the ripple down through the labour market. This had a devastating, heartbreaking and long lasting effect on many people's lives. The opening of the Advance Manufacturing Park in 2001 on the site of the Orgreave coking plant, the same site of the unprecedented use of police violence which this Council has condemned and called for the government to hold an inquiry into, has brought back some highly skilled jobs and some regeneration, one of the companies being the Rolls Royce Blade Casting Facility.

The Orgreave campaign stands shoulder to shoulder with Unite the Union who have been negotiating with Rolls Royce to stop these jobs losses. As trade unionists, we ask the Leader of the Council and the Cabinet Member for Business and Investment:

1. Does the Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member oppose these job losses, particularly given the budget decisions you will be making on 3rd March about the economic well being of our city?
2. If so, has the Council expressed their concerns to Rolls Royce already?
3. If not, will the Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member contact Rolls Royce to do so?

4. Will the Leader and Sheffield Labour Group publicly condemn these job losses?
5. Will the Leader and Sheffield Labour Group publicly express support for Unite the Union's campaign against the job losses?"

Ms Callow requested both a verbal and written response to these questions.

Councillor Mazher Iqbal (Cabinet Member for Business and Investment) responded to these questions. Councillor Iqbal thanked Flis Callow for presenting the questions. He stated that he had spoken with one of her colleagues from the union the previous day. Councillor Iqbal stated that job losses and redundancies were a global, national and city-wide issue due to the effects of COVID-19.

Councillor Iqbal stated that due to lack of funding from Government, Council budgets had been reduced over eleven years. He said he was able to speak with Rolls Royce, but he could not confirm that this would have an impact. Councillor Iqbal explained he was not able to condemn the job losses as people were not being fired but were being made redundant. He added that due to government cuts, the Council was also making redundancies.

Councillor Iqbal offered to meet with the union to discuss any ways in which the Council may be able to support them and those facing redundancies.

### 3.3.3 Public Questions Concerning Bins and Public Spaces

Rebecca Atkinson asked the following questions:

1. The Covid-19 pandemic has been a catalyst for many more people out walking, running and cycling - enjoying Sheffield's parks and public spaces. Our city's parks and trails have been a sanctuary during these difficult times. Enjoyment of the outdoors can and should be encouraged going forward. What plans are there for the future to further connect and promote our green spaces so that we can celebrate Sheffield as the outdoor city for residents and visitors to enjoy?
2. A number of extra bins were promised for the Bolehills over three weeks ago, but these have not materialised. When will they arrive?
3. Bins in parks across the city were full and overflowing across the weekend (27th - 28th Feb) – in the North West of the city residents have complained of littering due to shortage of bin space in Rivelin Valley, Crookes Valley Park and the Bolehills. What has the Council done to increase bin capacity in our parks and public spaces in Sheffield over the past year?
4. A lot of the material being put in the bins this weekend consisted of cardboard, aluminium cans and glass bottles. These are valuable

materials that are widely recycled. Can we have more segregated bins for recycling in our parks, please?

Councillor Mary Lea (Cabinet Member for Culture, Parks and Leisure) responded to these questions. She stated that the use of parks in Sheffield had increased significantly during the last year. Councillor Lea explained that there is a proposal for a Better Parks project to raise income for parks and to bring more facilities into parks. She added that over the past few years there had been an additional £400,000 per year of public health funding into Sheffield's parks. This investment would continue over the next two years, focused on areas where health had been poorest. Councillor Lea added that the General Cemetery had been the recipient of a Lottery Grant as a Heritage Site within Sheffield.

Councillor Lea thanked all friends of Sheffield's parks, including those who litter pick. She added that the Council worked closely with those groups. Councillor Lea stated that park activities will be developed over the next month and introduced over the summer, with a focus on children.

In response to the bins at Bolehills, Councillor Lea stated that the bin delivery had been delayed but that they would be installed as soon as possible.

Councillor Lea acknowledged that good weather at the end of February had increased use of the bins. She added that in response to increased use of Sheffield parks, more options to tackle litter had been implemented over the last year. She stated that over 20 permanent litter bins were installed, with a further 10 bins planned for the west of the city. 15 large temporary bins were also added. Councillor Lea said that additional weekend staff were put in place to increase litter collections, and additional temporary staff had been recruited in anticipation of the increased use of Sheffield's parks throughout summer 2021. She added that toilet and equipment cleaning had also been increased, alongside the 'take your litter home' campaign. Further measures were planned for this summer, including temporary bins where access was possible and in accordance with health and safety measures.

Councillor Lea stated that people taking litter home is the best thing to do; however, the Council would look at what could be done to increase recycling facilities in Sheffield parks. She added that the 'Cleaner, Greener, Safer' project would be introduced in four areas of the city and that a pilot was currently in progress.

### 3.3.4 Public Questions Concerning Referendum, November Full Council and Youth Services

Ruth Hubbard asked the following questions:

#### 1. Sheffield People's Referendum

Across the country councils of all political hues operate under more democratic modern committee governance. Here in Sheffield the current administration has one of the smallest electoral mandates of any council



in the country where, under strong leader governance, over 90% of citizens have no rights to representation via their elected councillor in almost all decision-making. That's why citizens and communities working together have taken away this council's right to decide the way it works. The latest council changing to more democratic modern committee governance is Labour-led Cheshire East who are currently piloting their new committee system. Labour-led Newham also have a change of governance referendum (by choice) on 6th May. I was one of the speakers at the launch of their modern committee campaign, in their case almost wholly led by progressive labour supporters and activists. In Sheffield, branches and CLPs have passed motions to get rid of "strong leader" governance, and Labour supporters in the city widely support change and have been part of our community campaign. Although driven by the majority not linked to any party, is the new leader aware of the widespread (local and national) Labour support for change, along with other political party supporters, for getting rid of undemocratic, top-down strong leader governance?

2. Action following November Full Council

In January I asked about the incidents in November's full council when a member of the public presenting a petition was, in my view, humiliated and bullied in response by the then Leader, and what actions (if any) were taken, including by the Monitoring Officer, following those incidents. In response to my question I was told about the political opportunism of the Lib Dems, but no answer to my question. Likewise another member of the public in Cabinet, in pointing out the contradictions in the treatment of petitioners and asking for a clear protocol was told his question would be treated as a statement, not a question. Am I to assume that no action was taken by anyone following the November incident, and that no protocol in the treatment of petitioners will be agreed?

3. Youth Services

In September I asked about Youth Services being brought 'in-house' and the loss of significant stakeholders and partners in running the service, concerns about council in-house expertise and understanding of youth work, and about strategic and operational links with community and volunteer-run youth provision across the city (and in diverse communities) especially given the massive cuts in youth work of the last ten years. I received full, but very general, answers and clearly the priority at that time was managing the transfer.

(a) Can you please tell me how many managers and workers employed by the new service are JNC-recognised professional youth workers?  
(I notice that the advert for a new Head of Youth Services does not require applicants to have a professional youth work qualification)

(b) Sheffield Futures was run by a multi-agency Board, in bringing services in-house how have the benefits of that been built in or

replicated?

(c) What are the mechanisms through which community-led youth service providers can be part of actively shaping and contributing to a better city youth work strategy and delivery of services?

Councillor Terry Fox (Cabinet Member for Finance, Resources and Governance and Deputy Leader of the Council) stated that he had responded on many occasions that the work that the 'It's Our City' campaign had done was to be commended. He said that all City Councillors democratically and passionately represented all residents in Sheffield and made decisions such as in respect of planning and licensing and audit and standards matters or sitting on scrutiny committees to scrutinise the work of the Council's Cabinet. Councillor Fox thanked all Councillors for the work they do.

Councillor Bob Johnson (the Leader of the Council) responded to Ruth Hubbard's questions and said that if any complaints were received by the Monitoring Officer about the conduct of any Member, including following the November Council meeting, these would be considered in line with the Council's procedures. Standards were the remit of the Audit and Standards Committee and the process was independent of Cabinet Members.

Councillor Johnson said that with regard to a protocol concerning petitions, he would be pleased to see whether that was feasible and he would discuss the matter with officers and other political groups.

Councillor Abtisam Mohamed (Cabinet Member for Education and Skills) stated that there were 4 managers and 14 workers with the recognised qualifications referred to in Ruth Hubbard's questions. She added that multi-agency working was continuing on a localised level at present. However, the Council was looking to have a multi-agency board involving stakeholders established following a consultation.

In relation to how people can actively get involved, Councillor Mohamed stated that the Council really wanted community groups to be as actively involved as possible. A consultation would be undertaken to help shape the design of youth services in Sheffield. She asked Ruth Hubbard to let her know if she was aware of any groups who did not yet know the dates of activities such as the workshops that were due to take place and stated she would then share those details with them. The Council wanted to make sure local communities were involved to help shape and design how youth services would look locally, recognising that different areas had different needs.

#### **4. MEMBERS' QUESTIONS RELATING TO URGENT BUSINESS**

- 4.1 There were no questions relating to urgent business submitted by Members under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 16.6(ii).

**5. PROPER OFFICER DESIGNATIONS RELATING TO THE FUNCTIONS OF RETURNING OFFICER & UPDATED LEADER'S SCHEME OF DELEGATION**

- 5.1 RESOLVED: On the motion of Councillor Bob Johnson, seconded by Councillor Terry Fox, that approval be given to the recommendations in the report of the Director of Legal and Governance now submitted, to (a) adopt the changes to the Management Structure and Statutory/Proper Officers section of the Constitution to transfer the functions of the Returning Officer for Local and Parliamentary elections from the Director of Policy, Performance and Communications to the Chief Executive and (b) note the approval of an updated Leader's Scheme of Delegation of Executive Functions, and the Leader's Notice of Appointment of Executive Members.

**6. REVENUE BUDGET AND CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2021-22**

- 6.1 RESOLVED: On the Motion of Councillor Tony Damms, seconded by Councillor Sue Auckland, that, in accordance with Council Procedure Rules 4 (Suspension and Amendment of Council Procedure Rules) and 11 (Motions which may be moved without notice):-

- (a) Council Procedure Rule 17.5 be suspended to remove the 2 minute time limit on the speeches of the movers and seconders of amendments and a new time limit be set whereby a total of 20 minutes will be shared by the mover and seconder of each amendment, and all other speakers shall have 2 minutes;
- (b) Council Procedure Rule 17.6 be suspended to remove the 25 minute time limit for the item of business; and
- (c) Council Procedure Rules 17.7(d) and 17.12(a) be suspended to remove the right of reply for the mover of the motion.

- 6.2 It was formally moved by Councillor Tony Damms and formally seconded by Councillor Dianne Hurst, that the following recommendations made by the Cabinet at its meeting held on 17th February, 2021, arising from its consideration of a report of the Executive Director, Resources on the Council's Revenue Budget for 2021/22 and the Capital Strategy 2021-26, be approved:-

"RESOLVED: That Cabinet recommends to the meeting of the City Council on 3rd March 2021:-

- (a) to approve a net Revenue Budget for 2021/22 amounting to £365.812m;
- (b) to approve a Band D equivalent Council Tax of £1,702.31 for City Council services, i.e. an increase of 4.99% (1.99% City Council increase and 3% national arrangement for the social care precept);
- (c) to approve the proposed amendments to the Long Term Empty premium which applies to Council Tax charges in respect of Long Term Empty

Dwellings, as set out in paragraph 47 of the Revenue Budget report, with effect from 1 April 2021;

- (d) to note that the Section 151 Officer has reviewed the robustness of the estimates and the adequacy of the proposed financial reserves, in accordance with Section 25 of the Local Government Act 2003; and that further details can be found in Appendix 4 and within the Section 25 Statutory Statement on Sustainability of Budget and Level of Reserves from paragraph 17 of the Revenue Budget report;
- (e) to approve the savings as set out in Appendix 2 of the Revenue Budget report;
- (f) to approve the revenue budget allocations for each of the services, as set out in Appendices 3a to 3d of the Revenue Budget report;
- (g) to note that, based on the estimated expenditure level set out in Appendix 3 to the Revenue Budget report, the amounts shown in part B of Appendix 6 of the report would be calculated by the City Council for the year 2021/22, in accordance with sections 30 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992;
- (h) to note the information on the precepts issued by the South Yorkshire Police & Crime Commissioner and of South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority, together with the impact of these on the overall amount of Council Tax to be charged in the City Council's area;
- (i) to note the precepts issued by local parish councils which add £637,944 to the calculation of the budget requirement, in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992;
- (j) to approve the Treasury Management and Annual Investment Strategies set out in Appendix 7 of the Revenue Budget report and the recommendations contained therein;
- (k) to approve the Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) Policy set out in Appendix 7 of the Revenue Budget report; which takes into account the revisions proposed for 2021/22 onwards;
- (l) to agree that authority be delegated to the Executive Director, Resources, 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;
- (m) to approve a Pay Policy for 2021/22 as set out in Appendix 8 of the Revenue Budget report;
- (n) to agree that the Members' Allowances Scheme for 2017/18 and onwards, approved on 3 March 2017, and implemented for 2018/19,

2019/20, and 2020/21 be also implemented for 2021/22;

- (o) to approve the contents of the Capital Strategy and the specific projects included in the years 2021/22 to 2025/26; that block allocations are 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; and
- (p) to approve the proposed Capital Programme for the 5 years to 2025/26, as per appendix 2 of the Capital report.”

6.3 Whereupon, it was moved by Councillor Terry Fox, seconded by Councillor Bob Johnson, as an amendment, that the recommendations of the Cabinet held on 17th February 2021, as relates to the City Council's Revenue Budget and Capital Programme 2021/22, be replaced by the following resolution:-

RESOLVED: That this Council:-

1. believes the last twelve months have been some of the most challenging in Britain's recent peacetime history and that, against this backdrop, Sheffield staff (every single one of them a key worker) deserve the upmost praise for helping the city through the crisis and for their continued dedication;
2. believes that challenge will not diminish in the short term, and that we must rise to the new challenges still to come; the COVID-19 pandemic has had a significant impact on our City and its people, but we must also be aware of adverse climate change and that the window for implementing meaningful change diminishes with each passing year;
3. notes that, against this challenging backdrop, this Administration will spend our resources as effectively as it can to 'build back better' from the pandemic, improving our resilience and sustainability for the long term, and that our Administration will respond swiftly and with flexibility to emerging needs and trends to support the City in its recovery and, as ever, we will strive to deliver the best possible value to the taxpayer;
4. notes that throughout the pandemic this Administration's focus has been working alongside our partners and communities to keep people safe and well, protect the most vulnerable, help people to get back to school and work, and support economic recovery and this has included helping 22,000 people through our community helpline, distributing hundreds of thousands of PPE items per week, and supporting schools to stay open for children of key worker and vulnerable families;
5. believes the Government have been placed in a difficult position in these unprecedented times, but that, however, clear mistakes have been made and they have failed to act sufficiently on numerous occasions, and where the Government have failed to deliver, this Administration has acted for Sheffield including:-

- (i) providing 6,000 laptops to school children of all age for home schooling during lockdown, with connectivity also funded for families who do not have access to education resources at home;
  - (ii) providing free school meal vouchers to over 22,000 children to help feed children over school holidays, after the Government initially refused to act; and
  - (iii) providing additional support from Council funds to residents struggling to pay for heating, utilities, or food, via hardship schemes;
6. notes/believes the following in response to the pandemic support for businesses:-
- (i) the demand for support has been vast and the Council has delivered over £100 million in grant funding, assisting 4,700 businesses across the city;
  - (ii) believes staff have worked hard to spend every penny of support available for businesses, but notes that there is strict funding criteria which is set by Government, and the Council has no power to alter the criteria, meaning some businesses have missed out; and
  - (iii) the small underspend favours well compared with other local authorities – delivering a higher percentage of grants than our South Yorkshire neighbours and comparable core cities such as Manchester and Nottingham, and thanks staff for their hard work in delivering this;
7. notes/believes the following in regard to managing the city's finances:-
- (i) we have achieved a balanced position, but there remains an uncertain picture beyond 2022 as the impact of responding to the pandemic continues;
  - (ii) after setting a balanced budget in 2020/21 we faced unprecedented resource and financial pressures when coronavirus plunged the country into lockdown last March;
  - (iii) reiterates that throughout the pandemic the focus has been on working alongside our partners and communities to keep people safe and well, protect the most vulnerable, help people to get back to school and work, and support economic recovery;
  - (iv) however, the impacts of the pandemic on people's livelihoods and businesses, the care sector, and on families, and the additional support they may need, will continue well into the future;
  - (v) there is no indication from Government as to whether any additional financial support will continue beyond 2021/22, and there is the very real prospect of an even harsher period of austerity than we have already

had to endure;

- (vi) notes that a balanced position has been reached for the coming financial year, but this relies on increasing council tax and delivering £21 million of in-service and corporate savings;
  - (vii) believes that Government are wilfully passing the burden of responsibility onto Sheffield tax payers, but that this Administration will always do what it can to support those struggling to pay and have increased the Council Tax Hardship Fund by £200k for 2021/22, meaning the Hardship Fund now totals £1.8m per year; and
  - (viii) agrees with the comments of Liberal Democrat Group Councillor, Mike Levery, at February's Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee meeting who stated that the Council has used "*financial management, prudence and adequate reserves. Congratulations to the finance team, this is a well-run council*";
8. believes that the Budget clearly shows that under this Administration the Council continues to push forward with a programme to transform its services, whilst putting citizens at the heart of these services, via learning lessons from how we have all adapted to the pandemic by making better use of technology to provide services in a more accessible way, focusing on preventing family breakdown and ill-health, and in enabling vulnerable people to live safely in their own homes wherever possible;
9. believes this Administration's funding programme for next year will enable citizen-centred services to be provided, whilst helping to contain costs, allowing scarce resources to be used to support social services for both adults and children;
10. notes the following regarding social care:-
- (i) (A) the rising cost of social care for our elderly people, as our population ages, remains a national issue that urgently needs addressing, (B) it is accepted by most commentators that the current model for adult social care is unsustainable, (C) however, despite various reviews over the past 10 years, no solution has emerged from Central Government, and one is urgently required and (D) this lack of funding puts additional operational and financial pressures on the Council and on its partners; and
  - (ii) notes that over the last 4 years, the Council has provided these vital services with above inflation funding increases and this year is no different; a 14% increase for 2021/22 and an average of 11% over the last 4 years has seen the budget for adults and children's social services rise by a total of £88m;
11. believes that Sheffield can 'Build Back Better' under this Administration and that key to our activities over the coming years will be helping Sheffield to recover

from the effects of the pandemic and our careful financial management in recent years means that we are starting from a position of relative financial strength; we want to make Sheffield a great place for everyone to live, work and enjoy themselves, building on the spirit of its people, and the many great amenities in the City and its beautiful surrounding countryside;

12. notes that the Budget details numerous ways in which we intend to match this ambition including, but not limited to:-
  - (i) £5.3m towards growing an inclusive economy;
  - (ii) £6.1m for transport;
  - (iii) £6.8m in the 'People Portfolio' to support children, young people and their families, and adults and communities; and
  - (iv) £55.6 million for a 'Cleaner, Greener, Sheffield';
13. believes that following the economic impact of the pandemic and lockdown over the past year, it is more important than ever that the Council takes action to boost the economy, and welcomes the proactive partnership with the Business Recovery Group to produce the city's Business Recovery Plan, and this Administration will continue to prioritise new initiatives to support the economic development of the city;
14. notes the additional investment commitments in the 2021/22 Budget also include:-
  - (i) £4.2million extra into the Care Sector to improve pay for the staff providing services on behalf of the Council; we plan to work with care providers to deliver enhanced pay terms for front line workers in 2021/22;
  - (ii) £2million for Youth Services - This investment is planned to increase delivery of youth clubs and social action groups, provide youth services to the most deprived areas in the city promoting positive engagement and activities, enable keyworkers to support young people experiencing difficulties, and support partnership working with the voluntary sector; and
  - (iii) £1million extra for Community Safety – to provide better joint working across the Council, and with partners such as South Yorkshire Police, Voluntary Community Faith sector, Health and Schools, as well as our communities and local Members, to help tackle crime and anti-social behaviour and reduce exploitation of the young and vulnerable with emphasis on prevention and early intervention work;
15. believes that due to this Administration's prudent handling of the budget, we have been able to set an ambitious budget for the future which is underpinned by key labour values – to put wealth in our communities, to invest in people, and to ensure that sustainability and tackling adverse climate change runs through everything we do, for example:-



- (i) sustainability is at the heart of our decision-making process with nearly £140m of projects in our capital programme have a direct impact on the City's sustainability and resilience;
  - (ii) Consideration of Carbon 'net zero' is now embedded in Council decision making and we're mindful of the environmental impact of our own assets – namely our buildings and fleet – and have been investing for several years to begin to mitigate this;
  - (iii) ethical procurement practices drive real social value for our City and maximise the benefits for our residents; we have a strong tradition of delivering employment and skills outputs for the communities we serve, and coupled with our focus on sustainability, we're driving social value through our contracts;
  - (iv) we'll support our local economy wherever we can and do what we can to keep Sheffield's economy moving; and
  - (v) we're empowering communities and providing effective governance, both of which are critical to the success of our capital programme and we will always look to strengthen locality working – to make the Council more responsive to local needs;
16. therefore requests the Executive Director, Resources to implement the City Council's Revenue Budget and Capital Programme 2021/22 in accordance with the details set out in the reports on the Revenue Budget and Capital Programme now submitted;
17. approves the contents of the Capital Strategy & Budget Book and the specific projects included in the years 2021/22 to 2025/26, and that block allocations are 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;
18. approves the proposed Capital Programme for the 5 years to 2025/26, as per appendix 2 of the Capital Strategy report;
19. after noting the joint report of the Chief Executive and the Executive Director, Resources, now submitted on the Revenue Budget 2021/22, approves and adopts a net Revenue Budget for 2021/22 amounting to £365.812m, as set out in Appendix 3 of that report, as follows:-

**Appendix 3**

Restated 2020/21	<b><u>Summary Revenue Budget</u></b>	2021/22
£000	-	£000
	<b>Portfolio budgets:</b>	
214,443	People	243,745

111,626	Place	130,965
2,158	Policy Performance and Communications	2,335
42,285	Resources (inc. Housing Benefit & Council Tax Collection)	43,369
<b>370,512</b>		<b>420,414</b>

### Corporate Budgets:

#### Specific Grants

-5,929	New Homes Bonus (LGF)	-4,844
-5,834	Business Rates Inflation Cap Grant (BRIC)	-7,543
-6,852	Small Business Rates Relief	-7,340
-2,312	Retail Relief	0
-600	Health Income	0
0	Covid Funding one-off	-17,664
0	Lower Tier Services Grant	-900
0	Local Council Tax Support Grant	-5,612

#### Corporate Items

5,500	Redundancy Provision	5,500
5,929	New Homes Bonus (LGF)	4,844
3,000	Better Care Fund	0
3,290	Social Care Demand Contingency	0
	Strengthening Families - Think Forward	
4,000	Investment	0
900	Infrastructure Investment	0
11	Payment to Parish Councils	0
1,500	Customer Experience Programme	1,500
0	Managing Employee Reduction programme	-4,000
0	Target Operating Model	-1,500
0	Customer Focus	-500
0	Council Tax Support Protection	500
0	Corporate Savings Project Costs	1,160
1,975	Other	5,100

#### Capital Financing Costs

13,662	General Capital Financing Costs	13,662
5,473	Heart of the City 2	1,473
12,730	Streets Ahead Investment	12,387
6,134	MSF Capital Financing Costs	6,516

#### Reserves Movements

7,082	Contribution to / (from) Reserves	-57,341
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<b>420,171</b>	<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>365,812</b>
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#### Financing of Net Expenditure

-37,494	Revenue Support Grant	-37,694
-103,828	NNDR/Business Rates Income	-99,512

-43,222	Business Rates Top Up Grant	-43,222
-207,615	Council Tax income	-208,795
-8,236	Collection Fund (Surplus)/Deficit	49,590
-19,776	Social Care Precept	-26,179
<b>-420,171</b>	<b>Total Financing</b>	<b>-365,812</b>

20. approves a Band D equivalent Council Tax of £1,702.31 for City Council services, i.e. an increase of 4.99% (1.99% City Council increase and 3% national arrangement for the social care precept);
21. approves the proposed amendments to the Long Term Empty premium which applies to Council Tax charges in respect of Long Term Empty Dwellings, as set out in paragraph 47 of the Revenue Budget report, with effect from 1 April 2021;
22. notes that the Section 151 Officer has reviewed the robustness of the estimates and the adequacy of the proposed financial reserves, in accordance with Section 25 of the Local Government Act 2003; and that further details can be found in Appendix 4 and within the Section 25 Statutory Statement on Sustainability of Budget and Level of Reserves from paragraph 17 of the Revenue Budget report;
23. approves the savings as set out in Appendix 2 of the Revenue Budget report;
24. approves the revenue budget allocations for each of the services, as set out in Appendices 3a to 3d of the Revenue Budget report;
25. approves the Treasury Management and Annual Investment Strategies set out in Appendix 7 of the Revenue Budget report and the recommendations contained therein;
26. approves the Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) Policy set out in Appendix 7 of the Revenue Budget report, which takes into account the revisions proposed for 2021/22 onwards;
27. agrees that authority be delegated to the Executive Director, Resources, 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;
28. approves a Pay Policy for 2021/22 as set out in Appendix 8 of the Revenue Budget report;
29. agrees that the Members' Allowances Scheme for 2017/18 and onwards, approved on 3 March 2017, and implemented for 2018/19, 2019/20 and 2020/21, be also implemented for 2021/22;
30. notes the precepts issued by local parish councils which add £637,944 to the

calculation of the budget requirement in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992;

31. notes the information on the precepts issued by the South Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner and the South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority, together with the impact of these on the overall amount of Council Tax to be charged in the City Council's area;
32. notes that, based on the estimated expenditure level of £365.812m set out in paragraph (19) above, the amounts shown in Appendix 6b below would be calculated by the City Council for the year 2021/22, in accordance with Sections 30 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992;

## Appendix 6

### CITY OF SHEFFIELD CALCULATION OF RECOMMENDED COUNCIL TAX FOR 2021/22 REVENUE BUDGET

The Council is recommended to resolve as follows:

1. It be noted that on 15th January 2021, the Council calculated the Council Tax Base 2021/22
  - (a) for the whole Council area as :  
**138,032.6368** (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 2021/22 (excluding Parish precepts) is:  
**£234,973,700.**
3. That the following amounts be calculated for the year 2021/22 in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Act:
  - (a) **£1,521,459,644** being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(2) of the Act taking into account all precepts issued to it by Parish Councils.
  - (b) **£1,285,848,000** being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3) of the Act.
  - (c) **£235,611,644** 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 in the formula in Section 31B of the Act).

- (d) **£1,706.9271** 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) **£637,944** 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) **£1,702.3054** 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 and the 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 overleaf.
5. **£26,178,793** The amount set by the authority at 2 above, under Section 30 of the Act, includes an amount attributable to the adult social care precept.
6. That 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 2021/22 for each part of its area and for each of the categories of dwellings.

#### Sheffield City Council (Non-Parish Areas)

	Valuation Band							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Sheffield City Council	1,134.87	1,324.02	1,513.16	1,702.31	2,080.60	2,458.89	2,837.18	3,404.61
South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority	50.71	59.17	67.62	76.07	92.97	109.88	126.78	152.14
South Yorkshire Police & Crime Commissioner	142.03	165.70	189.37	213.04	260.38	307.72	355.07	426.08
Aggregate of Council Tax Requirements	1,327.61	1,548.89	1,770.15	1,991.42	2,433.95	2,876.49	3,319.03	3,982.83

#### Bradfield Parish Council

	Valuation Band							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Sheffield City Council	1,134.87	1,324.02	1,513.16	1,702.31	2,080.60	2,458.89	2,837.18	3,404.61

Bradfield Parish Council	28.49	33.24	38.00	42.74	52.23	61.73	71.23	85.48
South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority	50.71	59.17	67.62	76.07	92.97	109.88	126.78	152.14
South Yorkshire Police & Crime Commissioner	142.03	165.70	189.37	213.04	260.38	307.72	355.07	426.08
Aggregate of Council Tax Requirements	1,356.10	1,582.13	1,808.15	2,034.16	2,486.18	2,938.22	3,390.26	4,068.31

### **Ecclesfield Parish Council**

	Valuation Band							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Sheffield City Council	1,134.87	1,324.02	1,513.16	1,702.31	2,080.60	2,458.89	2,837.18	3,404.61
Ecclesfield Parish Council	19.03	22.20	25.37	28.54	34.88	41.23	47.57	57.08
South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority	50.71	59.17	67.62	76.07	92.97	109.88	126.78	152.14
South Yorkshire Police & Crime Commissioner	142.03	165.70	189.37	213.04	260.38	307.72	355.07	426.08
Aggregate of Council Tax Requirements	1,346.64	1,571.09	1,795.52	2,019.96	2,468.83	2,917.72	3,366.60	4,039.91

### **Stocksbridge Town Council**

	Valuation Band							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Sheffield City Council	1,134.87	1,324.02	1,513.16	1,702.31	2,080.60	2,458.89	2,837.18	3,404.61
Stocksbridge Town Council	22.57	26.32	30.08	33.84	41.36	48.88	56.41	67.70
South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority	50.71	59.17	67.62	76.07	92.97	109.88	126.78	152.14
South Yorkshire Police & Crime Commissioner	142.03	165.70	189.37	213.04	260.38	307.72	355.07	426.08
Aggregate of Council Tax Requirements	1,350.18	1,575.21	1,800.23	2,025.26	2,475.31	2,925.37	3,375.44	4,050.53

7. 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.

**Appendix 6b****Council Tax Schedule 2021/22**

	<b>Band A</b>	<b>Band B</b>	<b>Band C</b>	<b>Band D</b>	<b>Band E</b>	<b>Band F</b>	<b>Band G</b>	<b>Band H</b>
Sheffield City Council	1,134.87	1,324.02	1,513.16	1,702.31	2,080.60	2,458.89	2,837.18	3,404.61
South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority	50.71	59.17	67.62	76.07	92.97	109.88	126.78	152.14
South Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner	142.03	165.70	189.37	213.04	260.38	307.72	355.07	426.08
Total charge for non-parish areas of Sheffield	1,327.61	1,548.89	1,770.15	1,991.42	2,433.95	2,876.49	3,319.03	3,982.83
Bradfield Parish Council	1,356.10	1,582.13	1,808.15	2,034.16	2,486.18	2,938.22	3,390.26	4,068.31
Ecclesfield Parish Council	1,346.64	1,571.09	1,795.52	2,019.96	2,468.83	2,917.72	3,366.60	4,039.91
Stocksbridge Town Council	1,350.18	1,575.21	1,800.23	2,025.26	2,475.31	2,925.37	3,375.44	4,050.53

**Appendix 6c****Parish Council Precepts**

Parish Council	<b>2020/21</b>				
	Tax Base (£)	Council Tax Income (£)	Council Tax Band D (£)	CTS Grants (£)	Total Precept (£)
Bradfield	5,838.92	249,542	42.7378	4,098	253,640
Ecclesfield	9,237.21	263,622	28.5392	4,113	267,735
Stockbridge	3,831.33	129,669	33.8443	2,959	132,628
Total/Average	18,907.46	642,834	105.12	11,170	654,004

Parish Council	<b>2021/22</b>					<b>Council Tax Increase</b>
	Tax Base (£)	Council Tax Income (£)	Council Tax Band D (£)	CTS Grants (£)	Total Precept (£)	
Bradfield	5,822.23	248,829	42.7378	-	248,829	0.00%
Ecclesfield	9,145.00	260,991	28.5392	-	260,991	0.00%
Stockbridge	3,785.69	128,124	33.8443	-	128,124	0.00%
Total/Average	18,752.92	637,944	105.12		637,944.06	0.00%

- 6.4 Whereupon, it was moved by Councillor Simon Clement-Jones, seconded by Councillor Shaffaq Mohammed, as an amendment, that the recommendations of the Cabinet held on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2021, as relates to the City Council's Revenue Budget and Capital Programme 2021/22, be replaced by the following resolution:-

RESOLVED: That this Council:-

1. would like to thank the staff who have been so helpful and accommodating during this budget setting process, and all of Sheffield City Council's staff who continue to work so hard for the people of Sheffield especially during these unprecedented times and thanks them in advance for the hard work to come to help Sheffield recover from the impact of Covid;
2. believes this budget amendment sets out a positive liberal vision for Sheffield that will support employment and business recovery, improve our natural environment and cut emissions, and devolve power and decision-making back to local communities;
3. is concerned that the 2020 spending review only set out funding for local government until 2022 and that public finances will undoubtedly be under huge strain in the years ahead but investment in our local public services is critical to our national recovery next year and beyond;
4. believes that this uncertainty forces Local Authorities to raise regressive Council Tax, instead of funding local government more fairly out of general taxation;
5. particularly condemns the current Government's approach to funding the NHS and Adult Social Care, and believes that a new long term funding settlement for social care is desperately needed to sustain vital services, particularly for places like Sheffield which had a relatively low council tax base but a high level of need;
6. believes that the Liberal Democrat proposal of raising income tax by a penny in the pound will make progress in meeting this need for a long term funding settlement and greatly relieve the pressure on adult social care and the NHS;
7. believes that Sheffield City Council's financial situation is aggravated by the potential impact of Brexit, and on the capacity of both the local and national economy to generate the resources that our public services badly need;
8. believes that Sheffield City Council's financial situation is aggravated by the infighting and parochialism of South Yorkshire Labour leaders who have squandered many of the wider benefits of Sheffield City Region, and deprived Sheffield of automatic early access to £10's of millions of central government funding;
9. specifically calls upon the City Region Mayor to more urgently take action to improve our local bus network, to exercise powers to bring bus services back



- under local control (franchising), and calls on central government to provide significant long-term funding to revitalise local transport and aid Covid recovery;
10. believes that although the Council is facing financially difficult times, the current Administration has still had choices about where to spend our money, and have often made the wrong choices over the past ten years, for example:-
    - (a) protecting taxpayer subsidies for Trade Unions whilst slashing funding to local communities;
    - (b) continuing to spend vast amounts on Council spin doctors whilst cutting front line services;
    - (c) spending millions on costly consultants whilst allowing important road safety schemes to be delayed; and
    - (d) spending thousands on hospitality of no-hope investors whilst ignoring struggling local businesses in the city centre and across the city;
  11. further believes that this city still suffers from the poor choices made by previous Labour Administrations, particularly the financial burden of around £19million every year until 2024 to repay the debt from the major sports facilities associated with the financially disastrous World Student Games, even after Don Valley Stadium has now been demolished;
  12. notes that, further to this, the Administration is now giving millions to Sheffield International Venues (SIV) to keep the venues open after what the Liberal Democrat Group believe are years of poor oversight by Sheffield City Council including SIV propping up failing venues as far away as Scarborough;
  13. believes that to recover from the pandemic Sheffield needs clear leadership and a clear, positive vision for business in the city, flexible enough to adapt to a changing economy; the multi-national firm of accountants and business advisers, KPMG, estimate that 30% of Sheffield's retail jobs will be lost; Sheffield needs investment and a wide range of businesses to improve our prosperity and enable us to compete on equal terms with other major UK cities;
  14. believes that bringing inward investment and jobs to the city supporting people to start their own business should always be a priority for the Council;
  15. notes that we are in a Climate Emergency and if we do not act now to reduce carbon emissions we will soon be in a Climate Catastrophe;
  16. believes that this Council currently has no real plan to tackle the climate emergency and is falling behind on its commitments to be carbon neutral by 2030;
  17. believes the Liberal Democrats are the only party with a full plan to tackle climate change and this budget includes proposals that will help Sheffield achieve its target of carbon zero by 2030 by increasing Sheffield's tree cover,

- making recycling easier and investing in infrastructure that will help to mitigate climate change;
18. believes that by making Sheffield a greener place to live and supporting community gyms and sports projects will improve people's health and well-being across the city; as well as helping to tackle knife crime by treating it as a public health issue;
  19. believes that, even more concerning than some of their financial choices, is the way this Administration operates, centralising decision making and often ignoring the concerns and wishes of the people of Sheffield;
  20. condemns Labour's mismanagement of the 'Streets Ahead' contract, particularly with the felling of healthy street trees, and that for more than three years the Council refused to engage with residents about the implementation of the 'Streets Ahead' contract; trees were felled; and tax-payers' money wasted on huge legal costs; and believes that the Council needs to learn lessons from this episode and the report of the Local Government Ombudsman and engage in a meaningful way with Sheffield's citizens;
  21. asserts that the purpose of this Council is to represent, work for and be the voice of the people of Sheffield, and that it is important that our decision making reflects the interests of the city as a whole and always putting people at the forefront of our choices;
  22. further asserts that this could be better achieved by the Liberal Democrat policy of devolving local decision-making to give local areas as much control as possible over decisions that directly affect their communities;
  23. supports the proposed change to a committee system which would give more control of decision making to all elected councillors and not just a selected few;
  24. believes that proposed Local Area Committees would need significant initial investment and our budget would commit £1million into realising an open and transparent system for the governance of Sheffield;
  25. resolves to include in any new system significant delegation of powers and budgets to formal Area Committees which comprise all the elected members in an area, allowing local communities a more direct path to decisions made about their futures;
  26. understands the huge financial strain this Council has been put on by central government cuts to local government and that this was needed to reduce the deficit bought on by recession;
  27. however, believes that there is a better, different way for a city council to operate and that this budget amendment demonstrates that it is possible, even in difficult times, to be responsive and work with local people;
  28. believes that local Councillors and local people are often best placed to take

decisions over the things that affect them and their local areas and therefore wants to revolutionise how decisions are made in this Council, by devolving real budgets over to communities, to be spent on their priorities, not the Labour Party's;

29. asserts that, by making some simple savings and spending the same money differently, the Liberal Democrat alternative budget would:-

**Demand a More Successful Sheffield**

- (i) invest £2million in local and district shopping centres to support businesses outside the city centre, in Woodseats, Chapeltown, Hillsborough, Woodhouse, Darnall, Crookes, Page Hall and Mosborough;
- (ii) double Council funding for the Launchpad business support programme, with particular emphasis on young people who want to start their own business and introducing a grant/award scheme to support the above;
- (iii) increase funding to Business Sheffield and work collaboratively with local chambers of commerce to support business owners recovering from the economic impact of Covid, providing a one-stop shop for businesses to access information, support, marketing, communications and networking events;
- (iv) reinstate a free city centre bus service to reduce journeys by car into the city centre and recognise the city centre as a vibrant hub to live, work and play; the buses will be electric and run every 30 minutes around the city;
- (v) provide cycle storage at key points in the city centre and at local centres;
- (vi) invest £1million in all road safety schemes; such as, traffic systems, pedestrian crossings and school crossing patrols, paying particular attention to where the community have made a call for a particular scheme in their area;
- (vii) put aside extra funding for more school crossing wardens to help children get to school safely;
- (viii) over the medium term, use at least 10% of the unallocated community infrastructure levy (CIL) money to support small business infrastructure to allow the city's independent businesses to flourish by amending the Regulation 123 list which governs how CIL can be spent; and
- (ix) support Associate Libraries and their volunteers by providing £144k's worth of professional librarian support;

**Demand a Better Environment**

- (i) double the city's current tree planting target to 200,000 trees over the next 10 years;
- (ii) recognise that walking and cycling is by far the best way to travel for the environment and for the health of people in Sheffield and would ensure at least 10% of CIL is invested over the medium term in major cycling schemes to encourage uptake of cycling and improve safety for cyclists and pedestrians in our city;
- (iii) provide businesses with E-cargo bikes to reduce congestion emissions by vans across Sheffield;
- (iv) over the medium term ensure at least 20% of city wide CIL is used for infrastructure that will help to mitigate the effects of climate change, such as planting trees, flood defences and improved moorland management;
- (v) invest in the creation of an energy efficiency service in the Council's Private Sector Housing service which will provide the go to place for people to improve the energy efficiency of their homes and for landlords to improve homes for their tenants;
- (vi) improve Sheffield's recycling record by committing more than £600k to pilot a scheme to increase the types of plastic that can be recycled here in our city;
- (vii) invest almost £0.9million in increasing the size of the blue bin so the first 10% of households in Sheffield who request them are able to recycle cardboard and paper more easily;
- (viii) commit more than £500k to keep all Sheffield City Council recycling centres open seven days a week to improve access for everyone;
- (ix) provide "Bring Out Your Rubbish" days in areas where there is typically low car ownership; residents will be provided with a skip for large items of rubbish from their homes, to help reduce fly tipping in our local areas;
- (x) increase the number of on-street recycling bins across Sheffield by replacing single bins for rubbish only with double bins for rubbish and glass, paper and plastic, making it easier for people to recycle;
- (xi) investigate a food waste collection scheme to help people in Sheffield lower their wastage and use the food waste to generate electricity or fertilise farmer's fields;
- (xii) investigate a reverse vending recycling system where people will receive a cash reward for recycling cans and plastic bottles;
- (xiii) clean up Sheffield by investing £150k in a task force to crack down on litter, fly tipping, graffiti and dog mess, and reversing a cut to this budget;

- (xiv) investigate the organisation of volunteer graffiti teams so residents who want to help clean up graffiti in their areas are supported to do so;
- (xv) create a £50k fund available to local communities from a 'Greener Sheffield' pot, an additional pot of money to decide how best they would like to invest in their environment;
- (xvi) investigate providing all schools with air-quality monitors to educate children on the importance of air quality and to monitor carbon levels around schools;
- (xvii) start a climate warden scheme, giving local people the support to clear icy footpaths and roads in their local communities, support communities in times of severe flooding and help with adapting to a changing climate;
- (xviii) reduce rents on community allotments by half to encourage more people to grow their own food and reap the mental health benefits of spending times outdoors; and
- (xix) encourage wildlife by planting wildflowers and rewilding areas to improve Sheffield's natural environment;

#### **Demand a Better Council**

- (i) invest £1million into reinstating Local Area Committees;
- (ii) increase the neighbourhood portion of CIL from 15% to 30% for use by local communities to spend money on infrastructure and fully compensate them for the disruption and pressures that come from big developments in their area; and
- (iii) create a fund available to local councillors to use on projects and capital investments in their wards through boosting ward pots to £10,000 in every ward;

#### **Demand Better Health and Social Care**

- (i) strive to improve the quality of care and the retention of staff in the crucial social care sector by investing in a training and development supplement for front line, paid physical & mental health and disability carers;
- (ii) invest £250k in a pot of money that community groups who provide sports activities can bid for, in recognition that knife crime is a public health issue and these groups and projects are vital to reduce knife crime in Sheffield;
- (iii) support Sheffield's foster carers, who look after some of our city's most challenging and vulnerable children, and encourage more people to sign up to become foster families with a discretionary reimbursement of

Council Tax; this has the potential to save the Council significant sums in reducing the amount spent on agency foster placements;

- (iv) invest £60k in Sheffield Young Carers so they can provide their service users' free bus travel across Sheffield;
  - (v) provide support for mental health in schools following disruption to pupils during the pandemic;
  - (vi) support Citizen's Advice Bureau with an increase of £50k in grant funding;
  - (vii) recognise the importance of Ward luncheon clubs and provide an extra £50k to reinstate clubs and help their recovery post covid; and
  - (viii) invest in extra members of staff in the Council's Private Sector Housing team to deal with some of the problems in the city's fast growing private housing sector;
30. believes that the people of Sheffield deserve a City Council that provides good value for money for all residents of Sheffield, is open for business, is responsive to and works with the people of Sheffield and protects our natural environment and heritage which make our city such a great place to live;
31. therefore requests the Executive Director, Resources to implement the City Council's Revenue Budget and Capital Programme 2021/2022 in accordance with the details set out in the reports on the Revenue Budget and Capital Programme now submitted, but with the following amendments:-

**Revenue Budget Proposals**

	2021/22		2021/22
Savings Proposals	(£'000)	Spending Proposals	(£'000)
Allocate part of the New Homes Bonus	3,380	Grant for local sports clubs and community groups to bid on for sport activities	250
Reduce posts within the Communications team	75	Community Assemblies	500
Delete 3 senior manager posts	100	Private housing sector officers (x 2)	64
Cut to taxpayer subsidy to trade unions	353	100% Council tax relief for Foster Carers (up to Band D)	300
Reallocation of Invest in Sheffield Fund	430	Free bus pass for members of Sheffield Young Carers	60

Set a modest savings target for shared services with other Local Authorities in Sheffield City Region (conditional on agreement with other bodies; an additional £100k of NHB would be used to fund proposals if the conditional saving is not achieved)	100	Provide additional professional librarian support for associate libraries	144
		Increase grant to Citizen's Advice Bureau	50
		Community allotments (50% discount)	2
		Invest in crossing patrols for schools which currently fall below threshold for wardens, and where road safety conditions allow	40
		Support young people who want to start their own business in Sheffield	95
		Mental Health in schools	50
		Ward Based Luncheon Club Covid Recovery Fund	25
		Fund training for front line staff who provide direct care to those with physical and mental health needs or disability in order to improve the quality of care and the retention of staff.	200
		Wild Flowers / Rewilding	20
		Business Support for "Local Committees" - Buy Local 6 month (Marketing)	50
		A one-stop shop for businesses to access information & support, marketing, communications & networking events - Grant	30
		A one-stop shop for businesses to access information & support,	126

	marketing, communications & networking events - Officers	
	Reverse cut in fly tipping and graffiti contract budget	9
	Reinstatement of free, city centre electric bus - revenue element (Every 30min*2 buses)	285
	Volunteer Graffiti Teams - Investigate	25
	Reinstate snow wardens/Climate Wardens (kit, etc.)	35
	Create a Greener Sheffield fund	50
	Bring Out Your Rubbish Days	108
	Double tree strategy planting target	98
	Increase funding for the Environmental Enforcement team for a "Clean Up Sheffield" task force with a target of 25% recovery, via fines, for littering, fly tipping, dog fouling and graffiti	150
	Energy efficiency advice service for householders	48
	Investigate reverse vending machines	25
	Investigate food waste collection scheme	50
	Increased blue bin capacity collection - revenue costs of providing bigger blue bins to the first 10% of households who request them	290
	Explore air quality monitors for schools	25
	Introduce a six month pilot to increase the types of plastic that can be recycled in Sheffield - e.g. yoghurt pots, carrier bags,	684



		margarine tubs, food trays and bottle tops (half year)	
		Keep recycling centres open seven days a week	550
<b>Savings Total</b>	<b>4,438</b>	<b>Spending Total</b>	<b>4,438</b>

### Capital Budget Proposals

	2021/22		2021/22
<b>Savings Proposals</b>	<b>(£'000)</b>	<b>Spending Proposals</b>	<b>(£'000)</b>
New Homes Bonus	2,163	Road Safety (Local schemes)	670
CIL	2,670	Increase ward pots to £10,000 across the city as a minimum (to be used for capital purposes)	50
		Additional spending on walking and cycling schemes	200
		Reinstatement of free, City Centre electric bus (capital element)	720
		Provide bigger blue bins to the first 10% of households that request them	603
		Local and District Centres - Woodseats, Chapeltown, Hillsborough, Woodhouse, Darnall, Crookes, Page Hall and Mosborough	2,000
		Additional spending on road safety schemes to be allocated over the year	500
		E-Cargo Bikes	50
		Replace 50 single street bins with double aperture bins with recycling facility	40
Over the medium term, ensure at least 40% of CIL is devoted to these proposals, which would be in addition to any spend	Cost Neutral	Walking, Cycling and Active Travel Schemes, Green and Small Business Infrastructure	Cost Neutral

subsequently agreed via TCF, Active Travel Fund, Road Safety Fund, etc.			
Devote 30% of CIL to the neighbourhood portion on an ongoing basis	Cost Neutral	Increase neighbourhood portion of CIL from 15% to 30%	Cost Neutral
<b>Financing of Capital Proposals</b>	<b>4,833</b>	<b>Capital Proposals Spending</b>	<b>4,833</b>

### **Local Transport Plan Budget Proposal**

	(£'000)		(£'000)
Devolve decision making over up to £1.3 million of transport funding (assuming at least this much is available when the grant award is confirmed) away from Cabinet Member to local communities to be allocated via Community Assemblies.	Cost Neutral	Nil	Cost Neutral

32. approves the contents of the Capital Strategy & Budget Book and the specific projects included in the years 2021/22 to 2025/26, subject to the amendments outlined in paragraph (31) above, and that block allocations are 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;
33. approves the proposed Capital Programme for the 5 years to 2025/26, as per appendix 2 of the Capital Strategy report, subject to the amendments outlined in paragraph (31) above;
34. after noting the joint report of the Chief Executive and the Executive Director, Resources, now submitted on the Revenue Budget 2021/22, approves and adopts a net Revenue Budget for 2021/22 amounting to £366.242m, as set out in Appendix 3 of that report, and subsequently amended in the light of paragraph (31) above, as follows:-

Restated 2020/21	<u>Summary Revenue Budget</u>	2021/22
£000	-	£000
	<b>Portfolio budgets:</b>	
214,443	People	244,866
111,626	Place	133,782
2,158	Policy Performance and Communications	2,760
42,285	Resources (inc. Housing Benefit & Council Tax Collection)	42,816
<b>370,512</b>		<b>424,224</b>
	<b>Corporate Budgets:</b>	
	<b>Specific Grants</b>	
-5,929	New Homes Bonus (LGF)	-4,844
-5,834	Business Rates Inflation Cap Grant (BRIC)	-7,543
-6,852	Small Business Rates Relief	-7,340
-2,312	Retail Relief	0
-600	Health Income	0
0	Covid Funding one-off	-17,664
0	Lower Tier Services Grant	-900
0	Local Council Tax Support Grant	-5,612
	<b>Corporate Items</b>	
5,500	Redundancy Provision	5,500
5,929	New Homes Bonus (LGF)	4,844
3,000	Better Care Fund	0
3,290	Social Care Demand Contingency	0
	Strengthening Families - Think Forward	
4,000	Investment	0
900	Infrastructure Investment	0
11	Payment to Parish Councils	0
1,500	Customer Experience Programme	1,500
0	Managing Employee Reduction programme	-4,000
0	Target Operating Model	-1,500
0	Customer Focus	-500
0	Council Tax Support Protection	500
0	Corporate Savings Project Costs	1,160
1,975	Other	5,100
	<b>Capital Financing Costs</b>	
13,662	General Capital Financing Costs	13,662
5,473	Heart of the City 2	1,473
12,730	Streets Ahead Investment	12,387
6,134	MSF Capital Financing Costs	6,516
	<b>Reserves Movements</b>	
7,082	Contribution to / (from) Reserves	-60,721

<b>420,171</b>	<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>366,242</b>
<b>Financing of Net Expenditure</b>		
-37,494	Revenue Support Grant	-37,694
-103,828	NNDR/Business Rates Income	-99,942
-43,222	Business Rates Top Up Grant	-43,222
-207,615	Council Tax income	-208,795
-8,236	Collection Fund (Surplus)/Deficit	49,590
-19,776	Social Care Precept	-26,179
<b>-420,171</b>	<b>Total Financing</b>	<b>-366,242</b>

35. approves a Band D equivalent Council Tax of £1,702.31 for City Council services, i.e. an increase of 4.99% (1.99% City Council increase and 3% national arrangement for the social care precept);
36. approves the proposed amendments to the Long Term Empty premium which applies to Council Tax charges in respect of Long Term Empty Dwellings, as set out in paragraph 47 of the Revenue Budget report, with effect from 1 April 2021;
37. notes that the Section 151 Officer has reviewed the robustness of the estimates and the adequacy of the proposed financial reserves, in accordance with Section 25 of the Local Government Act 2003; and that further details can be found in Appendix 4 and within the Section 25 Statutory Statement on Sustainability of Budget and Level of Reserves from paragraph 17 of the Revenue Budget report;
38. approves the savings as set out in Appendix 2 of the Revenue Budget report, subject to the amendments outlined in paragraph (31) above;
39. approves the revenue budget allocations for each of the services, as set out in Appendices 3a to 3d of the Revenue Budget report, subject to the amendments outlined in paragraph (31) above;
40. approves the Treasury Management and Annual Investment Strategies set out in Appendix 7 of the Revenue Budget report and the recommendations contained therein;
41. approves the Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) Policy set out in Appendix 7 of the Revenue Budget report, which takes into account the revisions proposed for 2021/22 onwards;
42. agrees that authority be delegated to the Executive Director, Resources, 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;

43. approves a Pay Policy for 2021/22 as set out in Appendix 8 of the Revenue Budget report;
44. agrees that the Members' Allowances Scheme for 2017/18 and onwards, approved on 3 March 2017, and implemented for 2018/19, 2019/20 and 2020/21, be also implemented for 2021/22;
45. notes the precepts issued by local parish councils which add £637,944 to the calculation of the budget requirement in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992;
46. notes the information on the precepts issued by the South Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner and the South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority, together with the impact of these on the overall amount of Council Tax to be charged in the City Council's area;
47. notes that, based on the estimated expenditure level of £366.242m set out in paragraph (34) above, the amounts shown in Appendix 6b below would be calculated by the City Council for the year 2021/22, in accordance with Sections 30 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992;

**Appendix 6**

**CITY OF SHEFFIELD**  
**CALCULATION OF RECOMMENDED COUNCIL TAX FOR 2021/22**  
**REVENUE BUDGET**

The Council is recommended to resolve as follows:

1. It be noted that on 15th January 2021, the Council calculated the Council Tax Base 2021/22
  - (a) for the whole Council area as :  
**138,032.6368** (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 2021/22 (excluding Parish precepts) is:  
**£234,973,700.**
3. That the following amounts be calculated for the year 2021/22 in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Act:
  - (a) **£1,525,269,644** being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(2) of the Act taking into account all precepts issued to it by Parish Councils.

- (b) **£1,289,658,000** being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3) of the Act.
- (c) **£235,611,644** 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 in the formula in Section 31B of the Act).
- (d) **£1,706.9271** 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) **£637,944** 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) **£1,702.3054** 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 and the 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 overleaf.
5. **£26,178,793** The amount set by the authority at 2 above, under Section 30 of the Act, includes an amount attributable to the adult social care precept.
6. That 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 2021/22 for each part of its area and for each of the categories of dwellings.

#### Sheffield City Council (Non-Parish Areas)

	Valuation Band							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Sheffield City Council	1,134.87	1,324.02	1,513.16	1,702.31	2,080.60	2,458.89	2,837.18	3,404.61
South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority	50.71	59.17	67.62	76.07	92.97	109.88	126.78	152.14
South Yorkshire Police & Crime Commissioner	142.03	165.70	189.37	213.04	260.38	307.72	355.07	426.08

Aggregate of Council Tax Requirements	1,327.61	1,548.89	1,770.15	1,991.42	2,433.95	2,876.49	3,319.03	3,982.83
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### Bradfield Parish Council

	Valuation Band							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Sheffield City Council	1,134.87	1,324.02	1,513.16	1,702.31	2,080.60	2,458.89	2,837.18	3,404.61
Bradfield Parish Council	28.49	33.24	38.00	42.74	52.23	61.73	71.23	85.48
South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority	50.71	59.17	67.62	76.07	92.97	109.88	126.78	152.14
South Yorkshire Police & Crime Commissioner	142.03	165.70	189.37	213.04	260.38	307.72	355.07	426.08
Aggregate of Council Tax Requirements	1,356.10	1,582.13	1,808.15	2,034.16	2,486.18	2,938.22	3,390.26	4,068.31

### Ecclesfield Parish Council

	Valuation Band							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Sheffield City Council	1,134.87	1,324.02	1,513.16	1,702.31	2,080.60	2,458.89	2,837.18	3,404.61
Ecclesfield Parish Council	19.03	22.20	25.37	28.54	34.88	41.23	47.57	57.08
South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority	50.71	59.17	67.62	76.07	92.97	109.88	126.78	152.14
South Yorkshire Police & Crime Commissioner	142.03	165.70	189.37	213.04	260.38	307.72	355.07	426.08
Aggregate of Council Tax Requirements	1,346.64	1,571.09	1,795.52	2,019.96	2,468.83	2,917.72	3,366.60	4,039.91

### Stocksbridge Town Council

	Valuation Band							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Sheffield City Council	1,134.87	1,324.02	1,513.16	1,702.31	2,080.60	2,458.89	2,837.18	3,404.61
Stocksbridge Town Council	22.57	26.32	30.08	33.84	41.36	48.88	56.41	67.70
South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority	50.71	59.17	67.62	76.07	92.97	109.88	126.78	152.14
South Yorkshire Police & Crime Commissioner	142.03	165.70	189.37	213.04	260.38	307.72	355.07	426.08
Aggregate of Council Tax Requirements	1,350.18	1,575.21	1,800.23	2,025.26	2,475.31	2,925.37	3,375.44	4,050.53

7. 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.

**Appendix 6b**

**Council Tax Schedule 2021/22**

	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
Sheffield City Council	1,134.87	1,324.02	1,513.16	1,702.31	2,080.60	2,458.89	2,837.18	3,404.61
South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority	50.71	59.17	67.62	76.07	92.97	109.88	126.78	152.14
South Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner	142.03	165.70	189.37	213.04	260.38	307.72	355.07	426.08
Total charge for non-parish areas of Sheffield	1,327.61	1,548.89	1,770.15	1,991.42	2,433.95	2,876.49	3,319.03	3,982.83
Bradfield Parish Council	1,356.10	1,582.13	1,808.15	2,034.16	2,486.18	2,938.22	3,390.26	4,068.31
Ecclesfield Parish Council	1,346.64	1,571.09	1,795.52	2,019.96	2,468.83	2,917.72	3,366.60	4,039.91
Stocksbridge Town Council	1,350.18	1,575.21	1,800.23	2,025.26	2,475.31	2,925.37	3,375.44	4,050.53

**Appendix 6c**

**Parish Council Precepts**

Parish Council	2020/21					
	Tax Base (£)	Council Tax Income (£)	Council Tax Band D (£)		CTS Grants (£)	Total Precept (£)
Bradfield	5,838.92	249,542	42.7378		4,098	253,640
Ecclesfield	9,237.21	263,622	28.5392		4,113	267,735
Stocksbridge	3,831.33	129,669	33.8443		2,959	132,628
Total/Average	18,907.46	642,834	105.12		11,170	654,004



Parish Council	2021/22						Council Tax Increase
	Tax Base (£)	Council Tax Income (£)	Council Tax Band D (£)		CTS Grants (£)	Total Precept (£)	
Bradfield	5,822.23	248,829	42.7378		-	248,829	0.00%
Ecclesfield	9,145.00	260,991	28.5392		-	260,991	0.00%
Stockbridge	3,785.69	128,124	33.8443		-	128,124	0.00%
Total/Average	18,752.92	637,944	105.12			637,944.06	0.00%

- 6.5 Whereupon, it was moved by Councillor Douglas Johnson, seconded by Councillor Alison Teal, as an amendment, that the recommendations of the Cabinet held on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2021, as relates to the City Council's Revenue Budget and Capital Programme 2021/22, be replaced by the following resolution:-

RESOLVED: That this Council:-

1. recalls the Director of Public Health's briefing to this Council, at the March 2020 budget-setting meeting, where it was advised that coronavirus was a developing situation and changing rapidly but there were no cases in Sheffield;
2. notes how the global and local situation changed so dramatically so soon after that, in ways that were then unimaginable; and believes that the global pandemic has changed all of our lives for ever;
3. reminds itself of another global issue with local impacts, namely climate change, and notes the need to address it as the emergency it is;
4. believes that central Government has failed to manage the coronavirus pandemic well and that too many premature deaths have resulted from inadequate and ineffective testing and tracing at a national level;
5. therefore has little confidence that central government will rise to the challenge of tackling climate change;
6. believes it is therefore vital for councils to take a lead on acting locally; and that cities, in particular, are uniquely placed to respond to climate change;
7. notes the shifting burden of local government funding from central government (through national redistribution of wealth) to greater taxation on Sheffield residents;
8. acknowledges the very substantial need for care of older and disabled people and in children's services and that, even passing on extra costs through council tax increases, the sum raised is still wholly inadequate to meet the cost of social care;
9. nevertheless, supports the necessary increase in council tax rates, whilst

- remembering the need to protect the poorest households;
10. notes, however, that long-term, outsourced contracts with big private businesses have not taken an equivalent share of the cuts to council services over the last ten years; and that long-term costs of finance stretch into Sheffield's future until 2057;
  11. believes that Elected Members in Sheffield, however difficult the crisis we face, have a responsibility to do the best we can for the people of Sheffield, prioritising the available resources to protect communities and the most vulnerable and working towards a more equitable and resilient city;
  12. thanks staff in the Council, voluntary and private sectors for the way they have responded to austerity, worked through the pandemic and made sacrifices;
  13. welcomes the progress now being made on issues in previous amendments submitted by the Green Group, including:-
    - (a) webcasting of council meetings;
    - (b) mental health resilience work in schools;
    - (c) steps towards re-opening the Don Valley Railway;
    - (d) supporting the least well-off with council tax bills;
    - (e) funding to prepare brownfield sites for development, in order to save greenfield locations;
    - (f) the recruitment of safer neighbourhoods co-ordinators with a focus on young people;
    - (g) bolstering the work of the private sector housing team to take enforcement action on substandard rented housing in the private sector;
    - (h) putting greater resources into working in local areas;
    - (i) recognising climate change as a priority for the housing service;
    - (j) commitment not to hold any direct investments in fossil fuels or companies involved in tax evasion or grave misconduct;
    - (k) more resources into cycling and walking infrastructure;
    - (l) a scheme to provide e-cargo bikes;
    - (m) electric vehicles charging points in and around the city centre;
  14. believes that the city's resilience will be tested by the climate crisis and is therefore disappointed that, despite declaring a "climate emergency" in 2019,

- no substantial proposals appear in the Administration's revenue budget to address the climate emergency;
15. will therefore provide funding to recruit an entire team of environmental sustainability officers to address the need for warmer homes; locally-owned, clean energy production, such as solar farms; increased walking, cycling and public transport; and to support businesses and householders to make carbon-reducing changes in response to the climate emergency;
  16. will support this with funds specifically to investigate a large-scale solar farm;
  17. will support this further by the creation of a Carbon Reduction Investment Fund of £3 million, setting aside funds to complete new sustainability projects that reduce carbon consumption in order to avoid unnecessary delay in achieving a 2030 net carbon zero targets;
  18. regrets the lost opportunity of jobs in the renewable energy industry and thousands of cheaper energy bills for council tenants when proposed by Green Councillors in 2014;
  19. will, however, still promote energy efficiency schemes in maintained schools by using £500,000 of unallocated Community Infrastructure Levy receipts;
  20. will go further and set aside £1 million of unallocated New Homes Bonus to introduce solar panels on council housing, to generate energy and to reduce tenants' bills;
  21. will build climate resilience into the city's housing stock by ensuring that all funding for new-build council housing is only used for housing designed at high standards of thermal efficiency, so that future tenants do not risk fuel poverty;
  22. will earmark £1 million for walking and cycling, offering people riding bikes the protection of segregated cycle lanes and secure bike storage, thereby increasing the numbers of Sheffield citizens cycling to work and contributing towards improved physical and mental health and better air quality;
  23. will recognise the failure to build this city's cycling infrastructure and will therefore appoint a cycling officer to promote the ability of Sheffield residents to choose this form of transport;
  24. welcomes the take-up of the e-cargo bikes promoted in the Green Group's 2020 budget proposals; and will develop this idea further through working up ideas to create a zero-emission last-mile distribution hub, to allow the Council, businesses and organisations to deliver goods around the city in a cleaner, quieter, more sustainable way;
  25. will ensure that all future Local Transport Plan spending is used only on sustainable modes of transport that do not have any adverse impact on air quality;

26. in line with this principle, will encourage use of public transport by providing free bus and tram travel on the six Sundays before Christmas, in place of the current subsidy for free car parking in the city centre;
27. will take steps to reduce the demand for individual car ownership by investing in a new scheme to develop car-sharing in line with the “liftshare” scheme;
28. believes the public is becoming more aware and concerned at the dangers of illegal levels of air pollution and will therefore invest in public-facing visual displays on the city’s air quality monitoring stations, to ensure the public can see and monitor the measure of air pollution affecting them in real time;
29. will stop reimbursing car-parking claims for Elected Members who do not have a blue badge;
30. will tackle dangerous and irresponsible parking, by creating 6 new jobs for parking enforcement officers, to be provided with e-bikes instead of patrol cars, where possible;
31. will develop proposals to introduce a workplace parking levy for larger employers, in order to generate additional long-term revenue to invest in the city’s public transport, whilst improving air quality and encouraging more active forms of travel to work;
32. will reduce the price of residents’ parking permits to 2010 levels and dissuade commuters from driving into the city centre by increasing on-street parking by 40p, meaning that people living in some of the most congested and polluted areas of the city are not subsidising other transport services;
33. will re-introduce the FreeBee bus service in the city centre, operating every 10 minutes, 12 hours a day, 6 days a week, by investing in 3 new electric buses owned directly by the local authority;
34. will take steps to increase the potential for more affordable housing in the city by funding a pilot project of a small number of energy-efficient “container homes”, such as those already being pioneered at Heeley City Farm;
35. will create an additional officer post to bring empty homes back into use, in order to tackle the blight and waste of empty houses and increase housing supply with far less energy consumption than new buildings;
36. will reduce the cost to low-income households for bulky waste collections, reversing the Administration’s previous cut imposed on the poorest households and reducing fly-tipping and the burden on volunteer litter-pickers;
37. notes the growing demand for food waste collections and better recycling and will therefore examine a wider recycling offer, including food waste and further plastics collection, as well as repair and reuse models;
38. recognises the cultural and economic importance of the city’s heritage and will

- therefore expand skills in the Planning Service with funding for a dedicated heritage officer;
39. asserts that in a properly regulated planning system, it is essential that developers comply with planning conditions and will therefore fund an additional planning enforcement officer to maintain high standards for the benefit of the public;
  40. will maximise the expertise of our planning officers and bring fees for pre-application planning advice for larger property developers into line with other major cities;
  41. will improve transparency by separately publishing the accounts of the licensing service, which are still not made available, despite statements to the contrary by the Leader of the Council;
  42. will cut political spin from the Town Hall and will remove the posts of Group Policy Officers from the Council payroll, requiring politicians to do their own research and press work;
  43. will support the voluntary sector with a substantial increase of £142,000 for anti-poverty work in advice centres, which was previously cut by this Administration, thus protecting jobs and helping people facing the real difficulties of universal credit and other issues arising from the Covid pandemic;
  44. and, recognising the number of people in serious financial hardship, will increase the council tax hardship fund to £2 million, to protect the poorest families in the city;
  45. will recognise the expertise of the voluntary sector in obtaining external funding by providing money for a post in a voluntary sector organisation to assist the council in monitoring and applying for funding from central government and elsewhere, thus maximising future revenue to the city;
  46. recognises the particular difficulties faced by young people leaving care setting up their own homes for the first time and will therefore set aside funds to meet council tax bills paid until the age of 25;
  47. recognises the ongoing value of the city's library service and rewards the hard work of volunteers who have supported their local branch libraries by providing funding to ensure a paid, professional librarian in every branch library;
  48. will pilot the development of a "Library of Things" in a staffed library to reduce individual consumption of occasionally-used household items;
  49. will continue funding for music lessons for children from low-income households, who experience significant barriers to culture and learning;
  50. notes that Green Councillors first proposed the Council adopt a Living Wage in 2008 to address low pay and will now tackle the principle of income inequality

head-on by reducing the pay of senior officers on salaries over £50,000 a year, narrowing the gap between the highest and lowest paid in the Council to within a 10:1 ratio;

51. will further reduce eight posts in the HR function to protect frontline services;
52. notes that the proposals in this amendment will provide over £1 million in every future year for social care;
53. will promote health, activity and fun by funding outdoor gym equipment in the city's parks and developing the network of park runs throughout the whole city, working alongside community organisations;
54. will commemorate the very origins of a municipal authority for public health by providing the public with clean, fresh water through the provision of new drinking fountains in major parks, thereby reducing waste and litter from single-use disposable plastics;
55. will also support community environmental activism through Friends of Parks groups;
56. recognises the benefits of community growing schemes and will therefore fund initial work on urban food production;
57. remembering that parks are for people, not cars, will support these further improvements in the city's parks by increasing car parking charges for those who choose to drive to them;
58. will also invest in planting trees bearing edible fruit in open spaces and parks, to be decided and distributed fairly on a Ward basis;
59. will promote the city's economic opportunity of specialist tourism by engaging two part-time ecologists to market and lead specialist nature tours on Sheffield's nearby and unique moorland, thereby generating further income for the Council and for the city's economy;
60. will fund an extra four Police Community Safety Officers (PCSOs);
61. will support the many voluntary, business and public sector agencies trying to address homelessness, substance misuse, anti-social behaviour and aggressive begging in the city centre, by providing funds for a new worker under the Help Us Help umbrella;
62. will put further resource into prevention work by supporting an additional substance misuse worker;
63. will extend the contracts of the business advisers to the end of 2021 to support local businesses with recovery from lockdown and the coronavirus pandemic;
64. believes these overall proposals would result in the creation of over 50 new

jobs;

65. recognises the hard work of Sheffield citizens who have highlighted the economic risks attached to fossil fuels and the need for Sheffield City Council to do business ethically, and welcomes the inclusion, in its Treasury Management Strategy, of commitments not to hold any direct investments in fossil fuels or companies involved in tax evasion or grave misconduct;
66. approves the updating of the statutory Regulation 123 list to include the spending of unallocated Community Infrastructure Levy within the limits set out above;
67. therefore requests the Executive Director, Resources, to implement the City Council's Revenue Budget and Capital Programme 2021/22 in accordance with the details set out in the reports on the Revenue Budget and Capital Programme now submitted, but with the following amendments:-

### **Revenue Budget Proposal**

	2021/22		2021/22
Savings proposals	(£'000)	Spending proposals	(£'000)
<b><u>Recurrent</u></b>			
Remove Elected Members' car parking claims	2	Recruitment of a 6 person sustainability team (1xG10, 4xG8 and 1xG5 - 9 months allowing for recruitment of full team)	212
Additional 40p on street parking charge	772	Cycling officer (grade 8)	48
Increase fees for pre-application planning advice for larger property developers	74	Free Christmas bus / tram travel on 6 Sundays before Christmas	66
Remove Group Policy Officers (half year saving)	51	Recruitment of 6 extra parking enforcement officers at net £4k each	24
Reduce pay on employees paid over £150,000 by 20% (assume 6 month saving)	67	Reduce Parking Permit Fees to 2010 levels	322

Reduce pay on employees paid over £100,000 by 15% (assume 6 month saving)	57	Re-introduce the Free Bee Bus - low emission vehicle at 10 minute frequency, 12 hrs/ day , 6 days / week	427
Reduce pay on employees paid over £50,000 by 10% (assume 6 month saving)	1,033	Additional Empty Homes Officer to bring empty properties back into use (grade 7)	42
Remove 8 posts in HR (assume half-year saving)	162	Reinstate reduced-cost bulky waste collection for low-income households	25
Increase parking fees in parks from 50p to £1 per hour	82	Heritage officer (grade 8)	48
Remove free City Centre parking at Christmas	83	Extra Planning enforcement officer (grade 7)	42
		Publish licensing accounts	10
		Increase funding to voluntary sector for advice work	142
		Increase Council Tax hardship fund to £2 million	200
		Fund voluntary sector (SYFAB) to work on external grant funding for SCC including green grants	40
		Provide Young Care Leavers with a fund to cover Council Tax bills	30
		Staff for branch libraries (based on 16 PT members of staff)	336
		Fund for music lessons for children from low-income households (to replace lost grant)	17



		Investment in parks, including maintenance of drinking fountains (8k) & gym equipment (4k), & developing park runs in all areas of the city	50
		Community liaison officers for parks (G6)	36
		Ecology officers to promote nature tourism (2 half-time G8 posts)	48
		Four extra Police Community Safety Officers	138
		Help Us Help worker (grade 5) to assist DACT with admin work, liaison and co-ordination with relevant agencies.	32
		Additional substance misuse worker in DACT	48
	<b>2,383</b>		<b>2,383</b>
<b><u>Non-recurrent</u></b>			
Use of New Homes Bonus	398	Feasibility study on a Warrington-style solar farm	25
		Feasibility study on a zero-emission last-mile delivery hub	25
		Promote car-sharing with "Liftshare" scheme	100
		Workplace Parking Levy Study (Grade 8 post to develop work)	48
		Feasibility study in to a wider recycling offer, including food waste and further plastics collection, repair and reuse	50

		Library of Things pilot	30
		Feasibility study in to urban food production	25
		Continue team of business advisers (2.3 FTE) to support local businesses for a further 6 months	95
	<b>398</b>		<b>398</b>
<b>Savings – subtotal</b>	<b>2,781</b>	<b>Spending - subtotal</b>	<b>2,781</b>

### **Capital Budget Proposal**

	<b>2021/22</b>		<b>2021/22</b>
<b>Savings proposals</b>	<b>(£'000)</b>	<b>Spending proposals</b>	<b>(£'000)</b>
Use of unallocated New Homes Bonus	1,000	Introduce further Solar Panels on the HRA Estate	1,000
Use of unallocated New Homes Bonus	3,000	Creation of a Carbon Reduction Investment Fund	3,000
Use of unallocated New Homes Bonus	1,080	Purchase of 3 x Electric Freebee buses	1,080
Reprioritise funding for acquiring new council homes	250	Fund to establish low-energy "container homes" pilot	250
Use of unallocated Local Transport Plan spending if available (figure not confirmed yet) - if not use CIL	1,000	Improved transport infrastructure, including segregated cycle lanes & bike storage	1,000
Use of unallocated Local Transport Plan spending if available (figure not confirmed yet) - if not use CIL	54	Air Quality Monitoring Digital Displays	54
Use of unallocated CIL	500	Energy efficiency for schools fund	500

Use of unallocated CIL	40	Outdoor gym equipment in parks	40
Use of unallocated CIL	100	Provision of fruit trees on a ward basis	100
Use of unallocated CIL	24	Drinking Fountains for City Centre & parks	24
<b>Financing of capital proposals total</b>	<b>7,048</b>	<b>Capital spending total</b>	<b>7,048</b>

68. approves the contents of the Capital Strategy & Budget Book and the specific projects included in the years 2021/22 to 2025/26, subject to the amendments outlined in paragraph (67) above, and that block allocations are 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;
69. approves the proposed Capital Programme for the 5 years to 2025/26, as per appendix 2 of the Capital Strategy report, subject to the amendments outlined in paragraph (67) above;
70. after noting the joint report of the Chief Executive and the Executive Director, Resources, now submitted on the Revenue Budget 2021/22, approves and adopts a net Revenue Budget for 2021/22 amounting to £365.812m, as set out in Appendix 3 of that report, and subsequently amended in the light of paragraph (67) above, as follows:-

### **Appendix 3**

Restated <b>2020/21</b>	<b><u>Summary Revenue Budget</u></b>	<b>2021/22</b>
<b>£000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>£000</b>
	<b>Portfolio budgets:</b>	
214,443	People	243,639
111,626	Place	131,723
2,158	Policy Performance and Communications	2,301
42,285	Resources (inc. Housing Benefit & Council Tax Collection)	42,949
<b>370,512</b>		<b>420,612</b>
	<b>Corporate Budgets:</b>	
	<b>Specific Grants</b>	
-5,929	New Homes Bonus (LGF)	-4,844
-5,834	Business Rates Inflation Cap Grant (BRIC)	-7,543
-6,852	Small Business Rates Relief	-7,340

-2,312	Retail Relief	0
-600	Health Income	0
0	Covid Funding one-off	-17,664
0	Lower Tier Services Grant	-900
0	Local Council Tax Support Grant	-5,612
<b>Corporate Items</b>		
5,500	Redundancy Provision	5,500
5,929	New Homes Bonus (LGF)	4,844
3,000	Better Care Fund	0
3,290	Social Care Demand Contingency	0
	Strengthening Families - Think Forward	
4,000	Investment	0
900	Infrastructure Investment	0
11	Payment to Parish Councils	0
1,500	Customer Experience Programme	1,500
0	Managing Employee Reduction programme	-4,000
0	Target Operating Model	-1,500
0	Customer Focus	-500
0	Council Tax Support Protection	500
0	Corporate Savings Project Costs	1,160
1,975	Other	5,300
<b>Capital Financing Costs</b>		
13,662	General Capital Financing Costs	13,662
5,473	Heart of the City 2	1,473
12,730	Streets Ahead Investment	12,387
6,134	MSF Capital Financing Costs	6,516
<b>Reserves Movements</b>		
7,082	Contribution to / (from) Reserves	-57,739
<b>420,171</b>	<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>365,812</b>
<b>Financing of Net Expenditure</b>		
-37,494	Revenue Support Grant	-37,694
-103,828	NNDR/Business Rates Income	-99,512
-43,222	Business Rates Top Up Grant	-43,222
-207,615	Council Tax income	-208,795
-8,236	Collection Fund (Surplus)/Deficit	49,590
-19,776	Social Care Precept	-26,179
<b>-420,171</b>	<b>Total Financing</b>	<b>-365,812</b>

71. approves a Band D equivalent Council Tax of £1,702.31 for City Council services, i.e. an increase of 4.99% (1.99% City Council increase and 3% national arrangement for the social care precept);

72. approves the proposed amendments to the Long Term Empty premium which applies to Council Tax charges in respect of Long Term Empty Dwellings, as set out in paragraph 47 of the Revenue Budget report, with effect from 1 April 2021;
73. notes that the Section 151 Officer has reviewed the robustness of the estimates and the adequacy of the proposed financial reserves, in accordance with Section 25 of the Local Government Act 2003; and that further details can be found in Appendix 4 and within the Section 25 Statutory Statement on Sustainability of Budget and Level of Reserves from paragraph 17 of the Revenue Budget report;
74. approves the savings as set out in Appendix 2 of the Revenue Budget report, subject to the amendments outlined in paragraph (67) above;
75. approves the revenue budget allocations for each of the services, as set out in Appendices 3a to 3d of the Revenue Budget report, subject to the amendments outlined in paragraph (67) above;
76. approves the Treasury Management and Annual Investment Strategies set out in Appendix 7 of the Revenue Budget report and the recommendations contained therein;
77. approves the Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) Policy set out in Appendix 7 of the Revenue Budget report, which takes into account the revisions proposed for 2021/22 onwards;
78. agrees that authority be delegated to the Executive Director, Resources, 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;
79. approves a Pay Policy for 2021/22 as set out in Appendix 8 of the Revenue Budget report, subject to the amendment outlined in paragraph (67) above relating to salary reductions;
80. agrees that the Members' Allowances Scheme for 2017/18 and onwards, approved on 3 March 2017, and implemented for 2018/19, 2019/20 and 2020/21, be also implemented for 2021/22;
81. notes the precepts issued by local parish councils which add £637,944 to the calculation of the budget requirement in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992;
82. notes the information on the precepts issued by the South Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner and the South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority, together with the impact of these on the overall amount of Council Tax to be charged in the City Council's area;
83. notes that, based on the estimated expenditure level of £365.812m set out in

paragraph (70) above, the amounts shown in Appendix 6b below would be calculated by the City Council for the year 2021/22, in accordance with Sections 30 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992;

**Appendix 6**

**CITY OF SHEFFIELD**  
**CALCULATION OF RECOMMENDED COUNCIL TAX FOR 2021/22**  
**REVENUE BUDGET**

The Council is recommended to resolve as follows:

1. It be noted that on 15th January 2021, the Council calculated the Council Tax Base 2021/22
  - (a) for the whole Council area as :  
**138,032.6368** (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 2021/22 (excluding Parish precepts) is:  
**£234,973,700.**
3. That the following amounts be calculated for the year 2021/22 in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Act:
  - (a) **£1,521,857,644** being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(2) of the Act taking into account all precepts issued to it by Parish Councils.
  - (b) **£1,286,246,000** being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3) of the Act.
  - (c) **£235,611,644** 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 in the formula in Section 31B of the Act).
  - (d) **£1,706.9271** 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) **£637,944** 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) **£1,702.3054** 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 and the 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 overleaf.
5. **£26,178,793** The amount set by the authority at 2 above, under Section 30 of the Act, includes an amount attributable to the adult social care precept.
6. That 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 2021/22 for each part of its area and for each of the categories of dwellings.

#### Sheffield City Council (Non-Parish Areas)

	Valuation Band							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Sheffield City Council	1,134.87	1,324.02	1,513.16	1,702.31	2,080.60	2,458.89	2,837.18	3,404.61
South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority	50.71	59.17	67.62	76.07	92.97	109.88	126.78	152.14
South Yorkshire Police & Crime Commissioner	142.03	165.70	189.37	213.04	260.38	307.72	355.07	426.08
Aggregate of Council Tax Requirements	1,327.61	1,548.89	1,770.15	1,991.42	2,433.95	2,876.49	3,319.03	3,982.83

#### Bradfield Parish Council

	Valuation Band							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Sheffield City Council	1,134.87	1,324.02	1,513.16	1,702.31	2,080.60	2,458.89	2,837.18	3,404.61
Bradfield Parish Council	28.49	33.24	38.00	42.74	52.23	61.73	71.23	85.48
South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority	50.71	59.17	67.62	76.07	92.97	109.88	126.78	152.14
South Yorkshire Police & Crime Commissioner	142.03	165.70	189.37	213.04	260.38	307.72	355.07	426.08

Aggregate of Council Tax Requirements	1,356.10	1,582.13	1,808.15	2,034.16	2,486.18	2,938.22	3,390.26	4,068.31
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### Ecclesfield Parish Council

	Valuation Band							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Sheffield City Council	1,134.87	1,324.02	1,513.16	1,702.31	2,080.60	2,458.89	2,837.18	3,404.61
Ecclesfield Parish Council	19.03	22.20	25.37	28.54	34.88	41.23	47.57	57.08
South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority	50.71	59.17	67.62	76.07	92.97	109.88	126.78	152.14
South Yorkshire Police & Crime Commissioner	142.03	165.70	189.37	213.04	260.38	307.72	355.07	426.08
Aggregate of Council Tax Requirements	1,346.64	1,571.09	1,795.52	2,019.96	2,468.83	2,917.72	3,366.60	4,039.91

### Stocksbridge Town Council

	Valuation Band							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Sheffield City Council	1,134.87	1,324.02	1,513.16	1,702.31	2,080.60	2,458.89	2,837.18	3,404.61
Stocksbridge Town Council	22.57	26.32	30.08	33.84	41.36	48.88	56.41	67.70
South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority	50.71	59.17	67.62	76.07	92.97	109.88	126.78	152.14
South Yorkshire Police & Crime Commissioner	142.03	165.70	189.37	213.04	260.38	307.72	355.07	426.08
Aggregate of Council Tax Requirements	1,350.18	1,575.21	1,800.23	2,025.26	2,475.31	2,925.37	3,375.44	4,050.53

7. 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.

### Appendix 6b

#### Council Tax Schedule 2021/22

	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
Sheffield City Council	1,134.87	1,324.02	1,513.16	1,702.31	2,080.60	2,458.89	2,837.18	3,404.61
South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority	50.71	59.17	67.62	76.07	92.97	109.88	126.78	152.14



South Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner	142.03	165.70	189.37	213.04	260.38	307.72	355.07	426.08
Total charge for non-parish areas of Sheffield	1,327.61	1,548.89	1,770.15	1,991.42	2,433.95	2,876.49	3,319.03	3,982.83
Bradfield Parish Council	1,356.10	1,582.13	1,808.15	2,034.16	2,486.18	2,938.22	3,390.26	4,068.31
Ecclesfield Parish Council	1,346.64	1,571.09	1,795.52	2,019.96	2,468.83	2,917.72	3,366.60	4,039.91
Stocksbridge Town Council	1,350.18	1,575.21	1,800.23	2,025.26	2,475.31	2,925.37	3,375.44	4,050.53

### **Appendix 6c**

#### **Parish Council Precepts**

Parish Council	2020/21					
	Tax Base (£)	Council Tax Income (£)	Council Tax Band D (£)		CTS Grants (£)	Total Precept (£)
Bradfield	5,838.92	249,542	42.7378		4,098	253,640
Ecclesfield	9,237.21	263,622	28.5392		4,113	267,735
Stockbridge	3,831.33	129,669	33.8443		2,959	132,628
Total/Average	18,907.46	642,834	105.12		11,170	654,004

Parish Council	2021/22						Council Tax Increase
	Tax Base (£)	Council Tax Income (£)	Council Tax Band D (£)		CTS Grants (£)	Total Precept (£)	
Bradfield	5,822.23	248,829	42.7378		-	248,829	0.00%
Ecclesfield	9,145.00	260,991	28.5392		-	260,991	0.00%
Stockbridge	3,785.69	128,124	33.8443		-	128,124	0.00%
Total/Average	18,752.92	637,944	105.12			637,944.06	0.00%

6.6 After contributions from another 35 Members, the amendment moved by Councillor Terry Fox was put to the vote and was carried.

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

For the amendment (44) - The Lord Mayor (Councillor Tony Downing) and Councillors Chris Rosling Josephs, Sophie Wilson, Denise Fox, Bryan Lodge, Karen McGowan, Jackie Drayton, Talib Hussain, Mark Jones, Anne Murphy,

Mazher Iqbal, Mary Lea, Zahira Naz, Andy Bainbridge, Moya O'Rourke, Abdul Khayum, Abtisam Mohamed, Lewis Dagnall, Cate McDonald, Bob Johnson, George Lindars-Hammond, Josie Paszek, Terry Fox, Sioned-Mair Richards, Jim Steinke, Julie Dore, Ben Miskell, Jack Scott, Mike Drabble, Dianne Hurst, Dawn Dale, Peter Price, Garry Weatherall, Mike Chaplin, Tony Damms, Jayne Dunn, Julie Grocutt, Francyne Johnson, Ben Curran, Neale Gibson, Adam Hurst, Mick Rooney, Jackie Satur and Paul Wood.

Against the amendment (26)

- The Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor Gail Smith) and Councillors Simon Clement-Jones, Bob Pullin, Richard Shaw, Bob McCann, Tim Huggan, Mohammed Mahroof, Joe Otten, Colin Ross, Martin Smith, Vic Bowden, Roger Davison, Barbara Masters, Shaffaq Mohammed, Sue Alston, Andrew Sangar, Cliff Woodcraft, Ian Auckland, Sue Auckland, Steve Ayriss, Kevin Oxley, David Baker, Penny Baker, Vickie Priestley, Alan Hooper and Mike Levery.

Abstained from voting on the amendment (9)

- Councillors Angela Argenzio, Kaltum Rivers, Douglas Johnson, Ruth Mersereau, Martin Phipps, Paul Turpin, Peter Garbutt, Alison Teal and Jack Clarkson.

6.7 The amendment moved by Councillor Simon Clement-Jones was then put to the vote and was negated.

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

For the amendment (26)

- The Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor Gail Smith) and Councillors Simon Clement-Jones, Bob Pullin, Richard Shaw, Bob McCann, Tim Huggan, Mohammed Mahroof, Joe Otten, Colin Ross, Martin Smith, Vic Bowden, Roger Davison, Barbara Masters, Shaffaq Mohammed, Sue Alston, Andrew Sangar, Cliff Woodcraft, Ian Auckland, Sue Auckland, Steve Ayriss, Kevin Oxley, David Baker, Penny Baker, Vickie Priestley, Alan Hooper and Mike Levery.

Against the amendment (44)

- The Lord Mayor (Councillor Tony Downing) and Councillors Chris Rosling Josephs, Sophie Wilson, Denise Fox, Bryan Lodge, Karen McGowan, Jackie Drayton, Talib Hussain, Mark Jones, Anne Murphy, Mazher Iqbal, Mary Lea, Zahira Naz, Andy Bainbridge, Moya O'Rourke, Abdul Khayum, Abtisam Mohamed, Lewis Dagnall, Cate McDonald, Bob Johnson, George Lindars-Hammond, Josie Paszek,

Terry Fox, Sioned-Mair Richards, Jim Steinke, Julie Dore, Ben Miskell, Jack Scott, Mike Drabble, Dianne Hurst, Dawn Dale, Peter Price, Garry Weatherall, Mike Chaplin, Tony Damms, Jayne Dunn, Julie Grocutt, Francyne Johnson, Ben Curran, Neale Gibson, Adam Hurst, Mick Rooney, Jackie Satur and Paul Wood.

Abstained from voting on the amendment (8) - Councillors Angela Argenzio, Kaltum Rivers, Douglas Johnson, Ruth Mersereau, Martin Phipps, Paul Turpin, Peter Garbutt and Alison Teal.

6.8 The amendment moved by Councillor Douglas Johnson was then put to the vote and was negatived.

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

For the amendment (8) - Councillors Angela Argenzio, Kaltum Rivers, Douglas Johnson, Ruth Mersereau, Martin Phipps, Paul Turpin, Peter Garbutt and Alison Teal.

Against the amendment (70) - The Lord Mayor (Councillor Tony Downing), the Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor Gail Smith) and Councillors Simon Clement-Jones, Bob Pullin, Richard Shaw, Bob McCann, Chris Rosling-Josephs, Sophie Wilson, Denise Fox, Bryan Lodge, Karen McGowan, Jackie Drayton, Talib Hussain, Mark Jones, Tim Huggan, Mohammed Mahroof, Anne Murphy, Mazher Iqbal, Mary Lea, Zahira Naz, Joe Otten, Colin Ross, Martin Smith, Andy Bainbridge, Vic Bowden, Moya O'Rourke, Roger Davison, Barbara Masters, Shaffaq Mohammed, Abdul Khayum, Abtisam Mohamed, Sue Alston, Andrew Sangar, Cliff Woodcraft, Lewis Dagnall, Cate McDonald, Ian Auckland, Sue Auckland, Steve Ayriss, Bob Johnson, George Lindars-Hammond, Josie Paszek, Terry Fox, Sioned-Mair Richards, Kevin Oxley, Jim Steinke, Julie Dore, Ben Miskell, Jack Scott, Mike Drabble, Dianne Hurst, Dawn Dale, Peter Price, Garry Weatherall, Mike Chaplin, Tony Damms, Jayne Dunn, David Baker, Penny Baker, Vickie Priestley, Julie Grocutt, Francyne Johnson, Ben Curran, Neale Gibson, Alan Hooper, Adam Hurst, Mike Levery, Mick Rooney, Jackie Satur and Paul Wood.

Abstained from voting on the amendment (1) - Councillor Jack Clarkson.

- 6.9 The original Motion, as amended, was then put as a Substantive Motion in the following form and carried:-

RESOLVED: That this Council:-

1. believes the last twelve months have been some of the most challenging in Britain's recent peacetime history and that, against this backdrop, Sheffield staff (every single one of them a key worker) deserve the upmost praise for helping the city through the crisis and for their continued dedication;
2. believes that challenge will not diminish in the short term, and that we must rise to the new challenges still to come; the COVID-19 pandemic has had a significant impact on our City and its people, but we must also be aware of adverse climate change and that the window for implementing meaningful change diminishes with each passing year;
3. notes that, against this challenging backdrop, this Administration will spend our resources as effectively as it can to 'build back better' from the pandemic, improving our resilience and sustainability for the long term, and that our Administration will respond swiftly and with flexibility to emerging needs and trends to support the City in its recovery and, as ever, we will strive to deliver the best possible value to the taxpayer;
4. notes that throughout the pandemic this Administration's focus has been working alongside our partners and communities to keep people safe and well, protect the most vulnerable, help people to get back to school and work, and support economic recovery and this has included helping 22,000 people through our community helpline, distributing hundreds of thousands of PPE items per week, and supporting schools to stay open for children of key worker and vulnerable families;
5. believes the Government have been placed in a difficult position in these unprecedented times, but that, however, clear mistakes have been made and they have failed to act sufficiently on numerous occasions, and where the Government have failed to deliver, this Administration has acted for Sheffield including:-
  - (i) providing 6,000 laptops to school children of all age for home schooling during lockdown, with connectivity also funded for families who do not have access to education resources at home;
  - (ii) providing free school meal vouchers to over 22,000 children to help feed children over school holidays, after the Government initially refused to act; and
  - (iii) providing additional support from Council funds to residents struggling to pay for heating, utilities, or food, via hardship schemes;
6. notes/believes the following in response to the pandemic support for

businesses:-

- (i) the demand for support has been vast and the Council has delivered over £100 million in grant funding, assisting 4,700 businesses across the city;
- (ii) believes staff have worked hard to spend every penny of support available for businesses, but notes that there is strict funding criteria which is set by Government, and the Council has no power to alter the criteria, meaning some businesses have missed out; and
- (iii) the small underspend favours well compared with other local authorities – delivering a higher percentage of grants than our South Yorkshire neighbours and comparable core cities such as Manchester and Nottingham, and thanks staff for their hard work in delivering this;

7. notes/believes the following in regard to managing the city's finances:-

- (i) we have achieved a balanced position, but there remains an uncertain picture beyond 2022 as the impact of responding to the pandemic continues;
- (ii) after setting a balanced budget in 2020/21 we faced unprecedented resource and financial pressures when coronavirus plunged the country into lockdown last March;
- (iii) reiterates that throughout the pandemic the focus has been on working alongside our partners and communities to keep people safe and well, protect the most vulnerable, help people to get back to school and work, and support economic recovery;
- (iv) however, the impacts of the pandemic on people's livelihoods and businesses, the care sector, and on families, and the additional support they may need, will continue well into the future;
- (v) there is no indication from Government as to whether any additional financial support will continue beyond 2021/22, and there is the very real prospect of an even harsher period of austerity than we have already had to endure;
- (vi) notes that a balanced position has been reached for the coming financial year, but this relies on increasing council tax and delivering £21 million of in-service and corporate savings;
- (vii) believes that Government are wilfully passing the burden of responsibility onto Sheffield tax payers, but that this Administration will always do what it can to support those struggling to pay and have increased the Council Tax Hardship Fund by £200k for 2021/22, meaning the Hardship Fund now totals £1.8m per year; and

- (viii) agrees with the comments of Liberal Democrat Group Councillor, Mike Levery, at February's Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee meeting who stated that the Council has used "*financial management, prudence and adequate reserves. Congratulations to the finance team, this is a well-run council*";
8. believes that the Budget clearly shows that under this Administration the Council continues to push forward with a programme to transform its services, whilst putting citizens at the heart of these services, via learning lessons from how we have all adapted to the pandemic by making better use of technology to provide services in a more accessible way, focusing on preventing family breakdown and ill-health, and in enabling vulnerable people to live safely in their own homes wherever possible;
9. believes this Administration's funding programme for next year will enable citizen-centred services to be provided, whilst helping to contain costs, allowing scarce resources to be used to support social services for both adults and children;
10. notes the following regarding social care:-
- (i) (A) the rising cost of social care for our elderly people, as our population ages, remains a national issue that urgently needs addressing, (B) it is accepted by most commentators that the current model for adult social care is unsustainable, (C) however, despite various reviews over the past 10 years, no solution has emerged from Central Government, and one is urgently required and (D) this lack of funding puts additional operational and financial pressures on the Council and on its partners; and
- (ii) notes that over the last 4 years, the Council has provided these vital services with above inflation funding increases and this year is no different; a 14% increase for 2021/22 and an average of 11% over the last 4 years has seen the budget for adults and children's social services rise by a total of £88m;
11. believes that Sheffield can 'Build Back Better' under this Administration and that key to our activities over the coming years will be helping Sheffield to recover from the effects of the pandemic and our careful financial management in recent years means that we are starting from a position of relative financial strength; we want to make Sheffield a great place for everyone to live, work and enjoy themselves, building on the spirit of its people, and the many great amenities in the City and its beautiful surrounding countryside;
12. notes that the Budget details numerous ways in which we intend to match this ambition including, but not limited to:-
- (i) £5.3m towards growing an inclusive economy;
- (ii) £6.1m for transport;
- (iii) £6.8m in the 'People Portfolio' to support children, young people and

- (iv) their families, and adults and communities; and  
£55.6 million for a 'Cleaner, Greener, Sheffield';
- 13. believes that following the economic impact of the pandemic and lockdown over the past year, it is more important than ever that the Council takes action to boost the economy, and welcomes the proactive partnership with the Business Recovery Group to produce the city's Business Recovery Plan, and this Administration will continue to prioritise new initiatives to support the economic development of the city;
- 14. notes the additional investment commitments in the 2021/22 Budget also include:-
  - (i) £4.2million extra into the Care Sector to improve pay for the staff providing services on behalf of the Council; we plan to work with care providers to deliver enhanced pay terms for front line workers in 2021/22;
  - (ii) £2million for Youth Services - This investment is planned to increase delivery of youth clubs and social action groups, provide youth services to the most deprived areas in the city promoting positive engagement and activities, enable keyworkers to support young people experiencing difficulties, and support partnership working with the voluntary sector; and
  - (iii) £1million extra for Community Safety – to provide better joint working across the Council, and with partners such as South Yorkshire Police, Voluntary Community Faith sector, Health and Schools, as well as our communities and local Members, to help tackle crime and anti-social behaviour and reduce exploitation of the young and vulnerable with emphasis on prevention and early intervention work;
- 15. believes that due to this Administration's prudent handling of the budget, we have been able to set an ambitious budget for the future which is underpinned by key labour values – to put wealth in our communities, to invest in people, and to ensure that sustainability and tackling adverse climate change runs through everything we do, for example:-
  - (i) sustainability is at the heart of our decision-making process with nearly £140m of projects in our capital programme have a direct impact on the City's sustainability and resilience;
  - (ii) Consideration of Carbon 'net zero' is now embedded in Council decision making and we're mindful of the environmental impact of our own assets – namely our buildings and fleet – and have been investing for several years to begin to mitigate this;
  - (iii) ethical procurement practices drive real social value for our City and maximise the benefits for our residents; we have a strong tradition of delivering employment and skills outputs for the communities we serve,

and coupled with our focus on sustainability, we're driving social value through our contracts;

- (iv) we'll support our local economy wherever we can and do what we can to keep Sheffield's economy moving; and
  - (v) we're empowering communities and providing effective governance, both of which are critical to the success of our capital programme and we will always look to strengthen locality working – to make the Council more responsive to local needs;
16. therefore requests the Executive Director, Resources to implement the City Council's Revenue Budget and Capital Programme 2021/22 in accordance with the details set out in the reports on the Revenue Budget and Capital Programme now submitted;
  17. approves the contents of the Capital Strategy & Budget Book and the specific projects included in the years 2021/22 to 2025/26, and that block allocations are 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;
  18. approves the proposed Capital Programme for the 5 years to 2025/26, as per appendix 2 of the Capital Strategy report;
  19. after noting the joint report of the Chief Executive and the Executive Director, Resources, now submitted on the Revenue Budget 2021/22, approves and adopts a net Revenue Budget for 2021/22 amounting to £365.812m, as set out in Appendix 3 of that report, as follows:-

### **Appendix 3**

Restated 2020/21	<b><u>Summary Revenue Budget</u></b>	2021/22
£000		£000
	-	
	<b>Portfolio budgets:</b>	
214,443	People	243,745
111,626	Place	130,965
2,158	Policy Performance and Communications	2,335
	Resources (inc. Housing Benefit & Council Tax	
42,285	Collection)	43,369
<b>370,512</b>		<b>420,414</b>
<b>Corporate Budgets:</b>		
<b>Specific Grants</b>		
-5,929	New Homes Bonus (LGF)	-4,844
-5,834	Business Rates Inflation Cap Grant (BRIC)	-7,543
-6,852	Small Business Rates Relief	-7,340



-2,312	Retail Relief	0
-600	Health Income	0
0	Covid Funding one-off	-17,664
0	Lower Tier Services Grant	-900
0	Local Council Tax Support Grant	-5,612
<b>Corporate Items</b>		
5,500	Redundancy Provision	5,500
5,929	New Homes Bonus (LGF)	4,844
3,000	Better Care Fund	0
3,290	Social Care Demand Contingency	0
	Strengthening Families - Think Forward	
4,000	Investment	0
900	Infrastructure Investment	0
11	Payment to Parish Councils	0
1,500	Customer Experience Programme	1,500
0	Managing Employee Reduction programme	-4,000
0	Target Operating Model	-1,500
0	Customer Focus	-500
0	Council Tax Support Protection	500
0	Corporate Savings Project Costs	1,160
1,975	Other	5,100
<b>Capital Financing Costs</b>		
13,662	General Capital Financing Costs	13,662
5,473	Heart of the City 2	1,473
12,730	Streets Ahead Investment	12,387
6,134	MSF Capital Financing Costs	6,516
<b>Reserves Movements</b>		
7,082	Contribution to / (from) Reserves	-57,341
<b>420,171</b>	<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>365,812</b>
<b>Financing of Net Expenditure</b>		
-37,494	Revenue Support Grant	-37,694
-103,828	NNDR/Business Rates Income	-99,512
-43,222	Business Rates Top Up Grant	-43,222
-207,615	Council Tax income	-208,795
-8,236	Collection Fund (Surplus)/Deficit	49,590
-19,776	Social Care Precept	-26,179
<b>-420,171</b>	<b>Total Financing</b>	<b>-365,812</b>

20. approves a Band D equivalent Council Tax of £1,702.31 for City Council services, i.e. an increase of 4.99% (1.99% City Council increase and 3% national arrangement for the social care precept);

21. approves the proposed amendments to the Long Term Empty premium which applies to Council Tax charges in respect of Long Term Empty Dwellings, as set out in paragraph 47 of the Revenue Budget report, with effect from 1 April 2021;
22. notes that the Section 151 Officer has reviewed the robustness of the estimates and the adequacy of the proposed financial reserves, in accordance with Section 25 of the Local Government Act 2003; and that further details can be found in Appendix 4 and within the Section 25 Statutory Statement on Sustainability of Budget and Level of Reserves from paragraph 17 of the Revenue Budget report;
23. approves the savings as set out in Appendix 2 of the Revenue Budget report;
24. approves the revenue budget allocations for each of the services, as set out in Appendices 3a to 3d of the Revenue Budget report;
25. approves the Treasury Management and Annual Investment Strategies set out in Appendix 7 of the Revenue Budget report and the recommendations contained therein;
26. approves the Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) Policy set out in Appendix 7 of the Revenue Budget report, which takes into account the revisions proposed for 2021/22 onwards;
27. agrees that authority be delegated to the Executive Director, Resources, 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;
28. approves a Pay Policy for 2021/22 as set out in Appendix 8 of the Revenue Budget report;
29. agrees that the Members' Allowances Scheme for 2017/18 and onwards, approved on 3 March 2017, and implemented for 2018/19, 2019/20 and 2020/21, be also implemented for 2021/22;
30. notes the precepts issued by local parish councils which add £637,944 to the calculation of the budget requirement in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992;
31. notes the information on the precepts issued by the South Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner and the South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority, together with the impact of these on the overall amount of Council Tax to be charged in the City Council's area;
32. notes that, based on the estimated expenditure level of £365.812m set out in paragraph (19) above, the amounts shown in Appendix 6b below would be calculated by the City Council for the year 2021/22, in accordance with Sections 30 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992;

**CITY OF SHEFFIELD**  
**CALCULATION OF RECOMMENDED COUNCIL TAX FOR 2021/22**  
**REVENUE BUDGET**

The Council is recommended to resolve as follows:

1. It be noted that on 15th January 2021, the Council calculated the Council Tax Base 2021/22
  - (a) for the whole Council area as :  
**138,032.6368** (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 2021/22 (excluding Parish precepts) is:  
**£234,973,700.**
3. That the following amounts be calculated for the year 2021/22 in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Act:
  - (a) **£1,521,459,644** being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(2) of the Act taking into account all precepts issued to it by Parish Councils.
  - (b) **£1,285,848,000** being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3) of the Act.
  - (c) **£235,611,644** 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 in the formula in Section 31B of the Act).
  - (d) **£1,706.9271** 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) **£637,944** 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) **£1,702.3054** 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 and the 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 overleaf.
5. **£26,178,793** The amount set by the authority at 2 above, under Section 30 of the Act, includes an amount attributable to the adult social care precept.
6. That 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 2021/22 for each part of its area and for each of the categories of dwellings.

#### Sheffield City Council (Non-Parish Areas)

	Valuation Band							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Sheffield City Council	1,134.87	1,324.02	1,513.16	1,702.31	2,080.60	2,458.89	2,837.18	3,404.61
South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority	50.71	59.17	67.62	76.07	92.97	109.88	126.78	152.14
South Yorkshire Police & Crime Commissioner	142.03	165.70	189.37	213.04	260.38	307.72	355.07	426.08
Aggregate of Council Tax Requirements	1,327.61	1,548.89	1,770.15	1,991.42	2,433.95	2,876.49	3,319.03	3,982.83

#### Bradfield Parish Council

	Valuation Band							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Sheffield City Council	1,134.87	1,324.02	1,513.16	1,702.31	2,080.60	2,458.89	2,837.18	3,404.61
Bradfield Parish Council	28.49	33.24	38.00	42.74	52.23	61.73	71.23	85.48
South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority	50.71	59.17	67.62	76.07	92.97	109.88	126.78	152.14
South Yorkshire Police & Crime Commissioner	142.03	165.70	189.37	213.04	260.38	307.72	355.07	426.08
Aggregate of Council Tax Requirements	1,356.10	1,582.13	1,808.15	2,034.16	2,486.18	2,938.22	3,390.26	4,068.31

### Ecclesfield Parish Council

	Valuation Band							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Sheffield City Council	1,134.87	1,324.02	1,513.16	1,702.31	2,080.60	2,458.89	2,837.18	3,404.61
Ecclesfield Parish Council	19.03	22.20	25.37	28.54	34.88	41.23	47.57	57.08
South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority	50.71	59.17	67.62	76.07	92.97	109.88	126.78	152.14
South Yorkshire Police & Crime Commissioner	142.03	165.70	189.37	213.04	260.38	307.72	355.07	426.08
Aggregate of Council Tax Requirements	1,346.64	1,571.09	1,795.52	2,019.96	2,468.83	2,917.72	3,366.60	4,039.91

### Stocksbridge Town Council

	Valuation Band							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Sheffield City Council	1,134.87	1,324.02	1,513.16	1,702.31	2,080.60	2,458.89	2,837.18	3,404.61
Stocksbridge Town Council	22.57	26.32	30.08	33.84	41.36	48.88	56.41	67.70
South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority	50.71	59.17	67.62	76.07	92.97	109.88	126.78	152.14
South Yorkshire Police & Crime Commissioner	142.03	165.70	189.37	213.04	260.38	307.72	355.07	426.08
Aggregate of Council Tax Requirements	1,350.18	1,575.21	1,800.23	2,025.26	2,475.31	2,925.37	3,375.44	4,050.53

7. 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.

### Appendix 6b

#### Council Tax Schedule 2021/22

	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
Sheffield City Council	1,134.87	1,324.02	1,513.16	1,702.31	2,080.60	2,458.89	2,837.18	3,404.61
South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority	50.71	59.17	67.62	76.07	92.97	109.88	126.78	152.14
South Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner	142.03	165.70	189.37	213.04	260.38	307.72	355.07	426.08

Total charge for non-parish areas of Sheffield	1,327.61	1,548.89	1,770.15	1,991.42	2,433.95	2,876.49	3,319.03	3,982.83
Bradfield Parish Council	1,356.10	1,582.13	1,808.15	2,034.16	2,486.18	2,938.22	3,390.26	4,068.31
Ecclesfield Parish Council	1,346.64	1,571.09	1,795.52	2,019.96	2,468.83	2,917.72	3,366.60	4,039.91
Stocksbridge Town Council	1,350.18	1,575.21	1,800.23	2,025.26	2,475.31	2,925.37	3,375.44	4,050.53

### **Appendix 6c**

#### **Parish Council Precepts**

Parish Council	2020/21					
	Tax Base (£)	Council Tax Income (£)	Council Tax Band D (£)		CTS Grants (£)	Total Precept (£)
Bradfield	5,838.92	249,542	42.7378		4,098	253,640
Ecclesfield	9,237.21	263,622	28.5392		4,113	267,735
Stockbridge	3,831.33	129,669	33.8443		2,959	132,628
Total/Average	18,907.46	642,834	105.12		11,170	654,004

Parish Council	2021/22						Council Tax Increase
	Tax Base (£)	Council Tax Income (£)	Council Tax Band D (£)		CTS Grants (£)	Total Precept (£)	
Bradfield	5,822.23	248,829	42.7378		-	248,829	0.00%
Ecclesfield	9,145.00	260,991	28.5392		-	260,991	0.00%
Stockbridge	3,785.69	128,124	33.8443		-	128,124	0.00%
Total/Average	18,752.92	637,944	105.12			637,944.06	0.00%

6.9.1 The votes on the Substantive Motion were ordered to be recorded and were as follows:-

For the Substantive Motion (44)

- The Lord Mayor (Councillor Tony Downing) and Councillors Chris Rosling Josephs, Sophie Wilson, Denise Fox, Bryan Lodge, Karen McGowan, Jackie Drayton, Talib Hussain, Mark Jones, Anne Murphy, Mazher Iqbal, Mary Lea, Zahira Naz, Andy Bainbridge, Moya O'Rourke, Abdul Khayum, Abtisam Mohamed, Lewis Dagnall, Cate McDonald, Bob Johnson, George Lindars-Hammond, Josie Paszek, Terry Fox, Sioned-Mair Richards, Jim Steinke, Julie Dore, Ben Miskell, Jack Scott, Mike Drabble, Dianne Hurst, Dawn Dale, Peter Price,

Garry Weatherall, Mike Chaplin, Tony Damms, Jayne Dunn, Julie Grocutt, Francyne Johnson, Ben Curran, Neale Gibson, Adam Hurst, Mick Rooney, Jackie Satur and Paul Wood.

Against the  
Substantive Motion  
(34)

- The Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor Gail Smith) and Councillors Simon Clement-Jones, Bob Pullin, Richard Shaw, Bob McCann, Angela Argenzio, Kaltum Rivers, Douglas Johnson, Ruth Mersereau, Martin Phipps, Tim Huggan, Mohammed Mahroof, Joe Otten, Colin Ross, Martin Smith, Vic Bowden, Roger Davison, Barbara Masters, Shaffaq Mohammed, Sue Alston, Andrew Sangar, Cliff Woodcraft, Paul Turpin, Ian Auckland, Sue Auckland, Steve Ayris, Kevin Oxley, Peter Garbutt, Alison Teal, David Baker, Penny Baker, Vickie Priestley, Alan Hooper and Mike Levery.

Abstained from voting  
on the Substantive  
Motion (1)

- Councillor Jack Clarkson.

## **7. REPRESENTATION, DELEGATED AUTHORITY AND RELATED ISSUES**

7.1 RESOLVED: On the Motion of Councillor Dianne Hurst, seconded by Councillor Andy Bainbridge, that:-

- (a) Councillor Sioned-Mair Richards be appointed to replace Councillor Dawn Dale on the Sheffield City Region Combined Authority Scrutiny Committee;
- (b) Councillor Jayne Dunn be appointed to serve on the Access Liaison Group, filling a vacancy; and
- (c) Councillor Tony Damms be appointed to serve as a substitute Member for Councillor Bob Johnson on the Yorkshire and Humber Reserve Forces and Cadets Association.