

COUNCIL – 25 FEBRUARY 2014

BUDGET DEBATE PROCESS

1. Introduction by Chairman

- Remind councillors about circulated paperwork
- To clarify process to be followed

2. Councillor Jane Scott - Leader of the Council

- No time limit on speech

3. Councillor Dick Tonge - Cabinet Member for Finance

- To present and move the budget
- No time limit on speech

4. Councillor Simon Killane - Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee

- To present the report of the Special meeting of the Committee on 5 February on the consideration of the Financial Plan
- To highlight particular areas of discussion
- No time limit on speech

5. Councillor Roy While – Chair of Financial Planning Task Group

- To report on the work of the Financial Planning Task Group
- No time limit on speech

6. Group Leaders – Response to Budget

- Group Leaders to respond to the recommendations of Cabinet and Councillor Tonge's motion
- No time limit on speeches

7. Group Leaders – Opportunity for amendments

- Group Leaders' opportunity to move amendments to the motion – each amendment needs to be seconded and the seconder may reserve their speech until later in the debate

- Debate on each amendment to budget – Group Leaders to be asked to speak first on any amendments followed by other councillors - each councillor to speak once only
- the mover of the original motion (Councillor Tonge) has the right of reply
- Vote on amendment – if agreed this amends the original or substantive motion (or incorporated in the motion by agreement) – if not it falls
- Recorded votes on any amendments
- Proceed to next amendment and repeat process

8. The Substantive Motion

(This could be the original motion or the motion as amended in 7 above)

- Debate on the substantive motion
- Councillors to speak only once
- Cllr Tonge has right of reply
- Substantive motion put to the vote
- Budget set
- All votes on budget will be by way of recorded vote

WILTSHIRE COUNCIL'S POLICY ON FEES, CHARGES AND CONCESSIONS

- Councillor Dick Tonge to move the recommendation that Council adopt the Policy on Fees, Charges and Concessions (pages 117 - 128) of the summons)
 - Motion seconded
 - Group Leaders to respond
 - other Councillors to respond
 - Consider and determine any amendments
 - Debate on the substantive motion
 - Councillors to speak only once
 - Cllr Tonge has right of reply
 - Proposal put to the vote
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COUNCIL TAX

Subject to the Council approving the budget without changes to the net revenue budget of £333.063million:

- **motion** to approve the Council Tax resolution (pages 133 – 134 of the summons)
 - Motion seconded
 - Group Leaders to respond
 - other Councillors to respond
 - Consider and determine any amendments
 - Debate on the substantive motion
 - Councillors to speak only once
 - Mover of motion has right of reply
 - Proposal put to the vote – Recorded Vote
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Item 8 – TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

- motion to approve the recommendations (page 169 of the summons)
- Motion seconded
- Group Leaders to respond
- other Councillors to respond
- Consider and determine any amendments
- Debate on the substantive motion
- Councillors to speak only once
- Mover of motion has right of reply
- Proposal put to the vote