

## Council – 23 February 2009

### Item 9(2) – Corporate Revenue and Capital Programme budget plan 2008/09 and 2012/13

- (1) That delegated authority be given to the Chief Finance Officer, in consultation with the Leader to allow reserve list items in the draft capital programme 2009/10 to commence following confirmation that funds are available.
- (2) That the following changes to Annex 5 and 13 of the report be approved:
- (a) Replace saving number 164 Annex 5 (agency savings housing - £45,657) with restructure of management within residential homelessness projects.
  - (b) Replace £150,000 of saving number 115 Annex 5 (agency savings regeneration) with WNF funding in 2009/10 and 2010/11.
  - (c) Replace £106,000 of saving number 46 Annex 5 (agency savings neighbourhood services) with a reduction of 9 permanent posts and an increase in 9 summer agency employees.
  - (d) The revised draft capital programme reserve list Annex 13 (attached to the Council Summons).
- (3) (a) That the net final levies for outside bodies be noted:

LEVY	AMOUNT (£)
West Midlands Passenger Transport Authority	13,586,602
Environment agency	82,963

- (b) That approval be given to an opening working balance for 2009/10 set at a prudent level of £6.99m in line with the council's medium term financial strategy.
- (c) That the following opening cash limited budgets for 2009/10 be approved.

BUDGET	2009/10 BUDGET (£)
<b>DIRECTORATE BUDGETS:</b>	
Resources	14,699,300
Social care and inclusion	74,468,399
Children and young people	55,582,492
Neighbourhood services	62,865,576
Regeneration	3,958,216
<b>CORPORATE PROVISIONS/CONTINGENCIES ETC:</b>	
Capital financing	17,036,928
Non-service specific central items	13,763,232
Contribution to general reserves	2,000,000

Less: Capital Charges	<b>-20,850,011</b>
<b>LEVIES:</b>	
Passenger Transport Levy	<b>13,586,602</b>
Environment Agency Levy	<b>82,963</b>
<b>WALSALL MBC NET BUDGET REQUIREMENT</b>	<b>237,193,697</b>

- (d) That the following statutory determinations be noted (references are to the Local Government Finance Act, 1992):
- I. **£689,555,952** being the aggregate gross expenditure, which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 32(2) (a) to (e) of the Act.
  - II. **£452,362,255** being the aggregate income which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 32 (3) (a) to (c) of the Act.
  - III. **£237,193,697** being the amount, by which the aggregate at (a) above exceeds the aggregate at (b), calculated by the Council in accordance with Section 32 (4) as its budget requirement for the year.
  - IV. **£133,321,859** being the aggregate of the sums which the Council estimates will be payable for the year into its General Fund in respect of redistributed Non-Domestic Rates (**£108,297,234**); Revenue Support Grant (**£24,996,399**); and the Collection Fund Surplus (**£28,226**).
  - V. **£103,871,838** being the amount at (d iii) above, less the amount at (d iv) above, all divided by the Council Tax Base of **77,943.24**, calculated by the Council in accordance with Section 33 (1) of the Act as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year.

#### VI Valuation bands

Being amounts given by multiplying the amount at (v) above by the proportions set out in Section 5 (1) of the Act and calculated in accordance with Section 36 (1) of the Act of the amounts to be taken into account for the year in respect of categories of dwelling listed in different valuation bands.

<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>
£888.44	£1,036.51	£1,184.59	£1,332.66
<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>H</b>
£1,628.81	£1,924.95	£2,221.10	£2,665.32

- (e) That the precept from the Fire & Civil Defence Authority and the precept for the Police Authority, issued to the Council in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act, 1992, for each of the categories of dwelling shown below be noted.

PRECEPTING AUTHORITY	VALUATION BANDS			
Police	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>
	£65.32	£76.20	£87.09	£97.98
	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>H</b>
	£119.75	£141.52	£163.30	£195.96
Fire & Civil Defence	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>
	£31.27	£36.48	£41.69	£46.90
	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>H</b>
	£57.32	£67.74	£78.17	£93.80

- (f) That having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at (e) and (f) above, the Council, in accordance with Section 30 (2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the amounts of Council tax for 2009/10 for each of the categories of dwellings shown below.

<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>
£985.03	£1,149.19	£1,313.37	£1,477.54
<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>H</b>
£1,805.88	£2,134.21	£2,462.57	£2,955.08

- (g) That notice be given of the Council tax within twenty one days of it being set by publishing details of the same in the "Walsall Observer"; and the "Walsall Advertiser" being newspapers circulating in the Authority's area.
- (h) That the chief financial officer be instructed to take all necessary action in relation to council tax, community charge and national non-domestic rates, including, where appropriate, the signing of all documents, the giving of notices and the taking of necessary steps to ensure collection thereof.
- (i) That the capital programme set out in the following tables be approved bearing in mind the principle that unless affordable from within current resources, specific projects funded by unsupported borrowing will not be commenced until a payback agreement is in place.

CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2009/10	
MAINSTREAM SCHEMES	ESTIMATED VALUE £
Education basic need	1,443,204
Modernisation - all schools	1,947,980
Schools access initiative	586,620
Local Transport Plan	2,287,000
Risk Management	100,000
Uninsured property damage	100,000
Contingency	350,000
Finance Direct/Oracle	4,665,000
Redhouse community centre	300,000
Walsall arboretum restoration programme	374,233

Walsall TCTP ring road land acquisition	480,000
Engineers– Town Centre Transport Package	5,400,000
Asbestos removal	200,000
Civic building air condition replacement	300,000
Legionella	300,000
Regenerating Walsall	500,000
Barcroft primary	3,246,398
Targeted capital fund	500,000
BSF	900,000
Clear major adaptations	224,517
Palfrey Park HLF	75,000
Pelsall library, childrens centre and health centre	350,000
Academies	400,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>25,029,952</b>

<b>MAINSTREAM CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2009/10</b>	
<b>RESERVE BIDS</b>	<b>ESTIMATED VALUE £</b>
Clear major adaptations	354,000
Structural repairs to central library	250,000
Memorial safety	100,000
Eldon House Reprovision	1,028,148
Statutory testing of building services & resulting work	300,000
Essential repairs to Norfolk Place depot	163,500
Clear major adaptations	421,483
Planned property maintenance (non-educational bldgs)	500,000
Highways maintenance	750,000
Demolition of redundant buildings to save on rates	200,000
Provision of alternative accommodation to release leased premises	1,000,000
Shop maintenance	120,000
Additional contingency	266,500
Additional projects to support regeneration within Walsall which meet Council priorities	1,000,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,453,631</b>

<b>NON-MAINSTREAM CAPITAL PROGRAMME – SCHEMES FUNDED FROM GRANT 2009/10</b>	
<b>NON MAINSTREAM SCHEMES</b>	<b>ESTIMATED VALUE £</b>
14-19 diplomas, Special Educational Needs and Disabilities	2,000,000
Barcroft primary	1,332,089
Devolved formula capital	4,821,184
Early years	1,015,217
Extended schools	537,679
Harnessing technology grant	1,016,288
Modernisation	1,367,962

Primary capital programme	4,357,729
Sure start, early years and child care grants	546,966
Targeted capital fund	2,000,000
Youth capital fund	181,600
Pathfinder short breaks	117,300
Bloxwich library project	1,269,900
Walsall's childrens play portfolio	247,650
Greenspaces improvement	50,000
Pelsall library, childrens centre and health centre	550,000
Palfrey park restoration programme	296,500
Walsall arboretum restoration programme	720,574
Waste infrastructure capital fund	443,608
Safer Stronger Community Fund	106,655
Bridge Street/Ablewell Street Townscape Heritage Initiative – Advantage West Midlands	175,000
Bridge Street/Ablewell Street Townscape Heritage Initiative – Heritage Lottery Fund	201,194
Bus showcase	1,000,000
Local transport plan	2,934,000
Local transport plan – Darlaston project development	150,000
New deal for communities	0
Red routes	2,000,000
Willenhall Townscape Heritage Initiative - Heritage Lottery Fund	150,000
Willenhall Townscape Heritage Initiative – Visionary Investment Enhancing Walsall contribution	150,000
Disabled Facilities Grants	1,500,000
PARIS implementation - single capital pot	129,000
ICT infrastructure	95,424
Regional Housing Pot - Kickstart	971,690
Regional Housing Pot – Regeneration and Growth	3,328,000
Mental health	137,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>35,900,209</b>

<b>LEASING PROGRAMME 2009/10</b>	
<b>DIRECTORATE</b>	<b>TOTAL BUDGET £'000</b>
Neighbourhood Services	3,400
Social Care and Inclusion	328
Childrens Services	36
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,764</b>