

#### **CABINET**

## **WEDNESDAY, 12 DECEMBER 2018**

#### **DECISIONS**

PRESENT: Councillor Nunn (Chair); Councillor Larratt (Deputy Chair); Councillors Eldred, Hallam, Hadland, Hibbert and King.

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Cabinet held on Wednesday, 12 December 2018. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the minutes.

These decisions will come into force and then may be implemented on the expiry of three working days after the publication of this list.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Emma Powley.

THIS LIST OF DECISIONS	13 <sup>th</sup> December 2018
PUBLISHED:	
DATE OF EXPIRY OF CALL IN:	18th December 2018 AT 17:00 HOURS

Agenda Declaration/Conflict of Interests:

#### 5. COUNCIL TAX BASE -2019 -2020

2.1 Cabinet recommended to Council to approve the tax base for 2019/20 at 68,418.55 Band D equivalent properties and associated parish tax bases within this report.

'Band D' is used as a denominator value and changes to discounts, exemptions and collection rates will impact on the calculated 'tax base', in addition to any gains or losses in the number of physical properties.

	2018/19	2019/20	Change
Billing	2,761.23	2,804.54	43.31
Collingtree	522.7713	528.47	5.70
Duston	5,521.83	5,562.62	40.79
Great Houghton	290.3029	294.81	4.50
Hardingstone	804.9904	816.31	11.32
Upton	3,015.72	2,723.61	-292.11
Wootton, Wootton Fields & Simpson Manor	2,958.24	2,980.14	21.90
East Hunsbury	3,462.75	3,510.44	47.69
West Hunsbury	1,650.38	1,661.73	11.35
Hunsbury Meadow	505.4516	888.34	382.89
Northampton (Unparished)	45,380.28	46,647.54	1,267.26
Total tax base	66,873.95	68,418.55	1,544.60

- 2.2 Cabinet delegated to the Section 151 Officer in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance to make any technical adjustments necessary arising out of the Local Government draft settlement which impacts on the tax base, and to confirm, and inform the relevant authorities, the estimated surplus/deficit on the Collection Fund and how much would be attributable to each council, including NBC, after the statutory date of the 15th January 2019.
- 2.3 Cabinet agreed the above figures include the movement of properties between Upton and Hunsbury Meadow as part of the boundary change.
- 2.4 Cabinet recommended the detailed breakdown of how the tax base and the associated parish tax bases are calculated is shown as a band D equivalent in appendix 1.
- 2.5 Cabinet recommended that the long-term empty property premium of 100% is implemented for properties vacant for over two years to Council, to take effect from the 1st April 2019.

Agenda Declaration/Conflict of Interests:

None

#### 6. LOCAL COUNCIL TAX REDUCTION SCHEME

- 1. Cabinet approved the recommendation for the Council Tax Reduction Scheme (CTRS) to remain at a 35% reduction in 2019/20.
- 2. Cabinet recommended the CTRS for approval at Council on the 14th January 2019.

Agenda Declaration/Conflict of Interests: Item No None

### 7. DRAFT GENERAL FUND MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLAN 2019/20 - 2022/23 AND DRAFT BUDGET 2019/20

- 2.1 Cabinet approved that the General Fund Revenue budget 2019/20, as summarised in (Appendix 1 of the report), for public consultation.
- 2.2 Cabinet approved for public consultation the proposed growth and savings options set out (in Appendix 2 of the report).
- 2.3 Cabinet approved for public consultation the proposed Council Tax increase for 2019/20 of 2.99% per Band D property.
- 2.4 Cabinet approved for public consultation the draft General Fund Capital Programme and Financing 2019/20 to 2022/23 (as detailed in Appendix 4, of the report)
- 2.5 Cabinet approved for consultation the draft Capital Strategy (as set out in Appendix 3 of the report)
- 2.6 Cabinet approved for consultation the draft Treasury Management Strategy (as set out in Appendix 5 of the report).

Agenda Declaration/Conflict of Interests:
Item No None

# 8. HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT (HRA) BUDGET, RENT SETTING -2019/20 AND BUDGET PROJECTIONS 2020/21 TO 2022/23

- 1. Cabinet approved the draft Housing Revenue Account (HRA) budget including charges and rents as detailed in Appendices 1 and 4 (of the report) for public consultation.
- 2. Cabinet approved the draft HRA Capital Programme and financing, as detailed in Appendix 2 (of the report) for public consultation.
- 3. Cabinet noted the draft Total Fees proposed for NPH to deliver the services in scope.