

ANGUS COUNCIL

MINUTE of Special MEETING of the **EDUCATION COMMITTEE** held in the Town and County Hall, Forfar on Thursday 8 February 2007 at 2.03 pm.

Present: Councillors JACK GIBB, SHEENA WELSH, IAN ANGUS, IAIN GAUL, JOHN HENDERSON, ALEX KING, DAVID LUMGAIR, STEWART McGLYNN, GLENNIS MIDDLETON, ROB MURRAY, ROBERT MYLES, PETER NIELD, GEORGE NORRIE MBE, MARK SALMOND and JENNIFER SPEIRS.

Teacher Representatives: Mr PHILIP JACKSON and Mr BRIAN McHARDY.

Councillor GIBB, Convener, in the Chair.

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Welsh declared an interest in page 11 of Report No 106/07 as one of the third party payments related to the project on which she was employed by Dundee City Council. She indicated that, should the specific item be raised, she would not participate in the discussion or vote.

2. PROVISIONAL REVENUE AND CAPITAL BUDGETS 2007/2008

There were submitted (a) [Report No 137/07](#) by the Chief Executive together with the draft Service Plan for the Education Department; (b) [Joint Report No 105/07](#) by the Director of Corporate Services and the Head of Finance advising members of the Provisional Revenue Budget of each Council Department and of the departmental budget cuts considered necessary to allow the Council to deliver a Revenue Budget within the Resources expected to be available and also setting out the Provisional Capital Budget submissions for those departments with capital expenditure; (c) [Joint Report No 106/07](#) by the Director of Corporate Services and the Head of Finance being the Provisional Revenue Budget volume, together with a commentary by each Head of Department; (d) [Joint Report No 107/07](#) by the Director of Corporate Services and the Head of Finance being the proposed Departmental Budget Cuts Volume; (e) [Joint Report No 108/07](#) by the Director of Corporate Services and the Head of Finance being the Provisional Capital Budget 2007/2008, and (f) [Joint Report No 109/07](#) by the Director of Corporate Services and the Head of Finance setting out long term affordability of the General Fund Financial Plan.

Councillors Myles, Salmond and Speirs indicated that they wished to reserve their position on the budget to the special meeting of the Council.

The Committee agreed:-

- (i) to note the Education provisional base revenue budget submission for 2007/08 as contained in pages 5 to 21 of the Provisional Revenue Budget Volume (Report 106/07) and the budget cuts proposals as contained in pages 6 to 8 of the Departmental Budget Cuts Proposals Volume (Report 107/07);
- (ii) to approve the budget cuts for the Education department totalling £581,000;
- (iii) to approve the revised budget net expenditure for the Education department resulting from 1 and 2 above and recommend accordingly to the Council at the Council Tax setting meeting;
- (iv) to approve the Education provisional capital budget for 2007/08 as contained in pages 22 to 31 of the Provisional Capital Budget Volume (Report 108/07);
- (v) to approve the [draft 2007/08 Service Plan for Education](#);
- (vi) to approve the recommendations of Report 109/07 relating to the Long Term Affordability of the General Fund Financial Plan.