

ANGUS COUNCIL

MINUTE of Special MEETING of the **NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE** held in the Town and County Hall, Forfar on Thursday 19 February 2009 at 2.04 pm.

Present: Councillors JIM MILLAR, COLIN BROWN, ALISON ANDREWS, MAIRI EVANS, DAVID FAIRWEATHER, DAVID MAY, BILL MIDDLETON, DONALD MORRISON, PETER NIELD, MARK SALMOND, BOB SPINK, MARGARET THOMSON, SHEENA WELSH and SANDY WEST.

Councillor MILLAR, Convener, in the Chair.

1. APOLOGIES

An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor Frank Ellis.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Committee agreed to note that no declarations of interest were made.

3. REVENUE AND CAPITAL BUDGETS 2009/2010

There were submitted (a) [Joint Report No 157/09](#) by the Director of Corporate Services and the Director of Neighbourhood Services advising members of revenue expenditure for the period 1 April to 31 December 2008, together with the anticipated year end position in respect of the Neighbourhood Services Department (non Housing Revenue Account) ; (b) [Report No 161/09](#) by the Chief Executive seeking approval of the Neighbourhood Services Service Plan for 2009/2010 and advising members of the preparation of the Plan within the context of both the budget setting process and the Corporate Plan; (c) [Joint Report No 119/09](#) 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 savings considered necessary to allow the Council to deliver a sustainable revenue budget within the resources expected to be available and also setting out the provisional capital budget submissions for those departments with capital expenditure; (d) [Joint Report No 120/09](#) 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; (e) [Joint Report No 121/09](#) by the Director of Corporate Services and the Head of Finance being the proposed department budget savings volume and (f) [Joint Report No 122/09](#) by the Director of Corporate Services and Head of Finance being the provisional capital budget for 2009/10.

Councillors Evans, Bill Middleton, Morrison, Spink, Welsh and West indicated that they wished to reserve their position on the budget to the Special meeting of the Council.

The Committee agreed:-

- (i) to approve the recommendations as set out in Report 157/09 relating to the 2008/09 Budget Monitoring position;
- (ii) to approve the draft 2009/10 Service Plans for Neighbourhood Services;
- (iii) to note and approve the formerly ring-fenced resources, service developments, new burdens, budget issues and review of charges applicable to Neighbourhood Services as detailed in Report 119/09 (Appendices 2, 3, 4 and 6);
- (iv) to note the provisional base revenue budget submissions for 2009/10 of Neighbourhood Services (excluding Housing Revenue Account), as contained in pages 64 to 87, respectively of the Provisional Revenue Budget Volume (Report 120/09);
- (v) to note the budget savings proposals of Neighbourhood Services, as contained in pages 17 and 18 of the Departmental Budget Savings Proposals Volume (Report 121/09);
- (vi) to approve the budget savings for Neighbourhood Services totalling £165,000;

- (vii) to approve the revised budgeted net expenditure for Neighbourhood Services (excluding Housing Revenue Account) resulting from (ii) to (v) above and recommend accordingly to the Council at the Council Tax setting meeting; and
- (viii) to approve the Neighbourhood Services (excluding Housing Revenue Account) provisional capital budgets for 2009/10 as contained in pages 58 to 67 of the Provisional Capital Budget Volume (Report 122/09).