

ANGUS COUNCIL

MINUTE of Special MEETING of the **STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE** held in the Town and County Hall, Forfar on Thursday 19 February 2009 at 2.08 pm.

Present: Councillors BOB MYLES, IAN MACKINTOSH, ALISON ANDREWS, IAIN GAUL, ALEX KING, DAVID MAY, GLENNIS MIDDLETON, JIM MILLAR, PETER MURPHY, ROB MURRAY, HELEN OSWALD, MARK SALMOND, SHEENA WELSH and JOHN WHYTE.

Councillor MYLES, 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 160/09](#) by the Chief Executive and the Director of Corporate 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 Chief Executive's Department; (b) [Report No 161/09](#) by the Chief Executive seeking approval of the Chief Executive's Departmental 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 Chief Executive 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 Gaul, King, Glennis Middleton, Murray, Oswald and Welsh 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 160/09 relating to the 2008/09 Budget Monitoring position;
- (ii) to approve the draft 2009/10 Service Plan for the Chief Executive's Department;
- (iii) to note the provisional base revenue budget submissions for 2009/10 of the Chief Executive's Department, as contained in pages 89 to 95 of the Provisional Revenue Budget Volume (Report 120/09);
- (iv) to note the budget savings proposals of the Chief Executive's Department as contained in pages 19 and 20 of the Departmental Budget Savings Proposals Volume (Report 121/09);
- (v) to approve the budget savings for the Chief Executive's Department totalling £54,000; and

- (vi) to approve the revised budgeted net expenditure for the Chief Executive's Department resulting from (ii) to (iv) above and recommend accordingly to the Council at the Council Tax setting meeting