

## **THE CABINET reports as follows:-**

That they have referred the initial proposals on these matters to the Policy and Co-ordination Review Committee which supported the recommendations set out in the report to Cabinet dated 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2009.

That they have also subsequently submitted the attached reports numbered 1, 2, 3 and 4 to the meeting of the Policy and Co-ordination Review Committee on 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2009. The Review Committee congratulated the City Treasurer on his report and noted its contents.

Subsequently the precept figures of the Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Authority and the Northumbria Police Authority have been confirmed as those set out in the report to Cabinet on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2009 and included at Item 4.

The recommendations are as follows:

### **1. Corporate Improvement Plan 2009/2010 to 2011/2012**

That they have given consideration to the attached joint report of the Chief Executive and the City Treasurer on the Corporate Improvement Plan for 2009/2010 to 2011/2012 which has been separately bound and which combines the service and financial plans of the Council and recommend that the Corporate Improvement Plan be approved.

**[NOTE:** To ensure completeness and accuracy, it has been necessary to make minor presentational changes to the Corporate Improvement Plan including those to reflect those decisions taken by Cabinet at its meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> February, 2009 and, in relation to Children's Services, reflect the changing national and local position in respect of plans for 2009/2010. The reprinted pages distributed with the Council Agenda also reflects the inclusion of a Financial Overview section drawn from the Revenue Budget Report 2009/2010 presented to Cabinet on 11<sup>th</sup> February, 2009.]

### **2. Corporate Improvement Plan 2009/2010 : Draft Council Tax Leaflet 2009/2010**

That they have given consideration to the report relating to the Draft Council Tax Leaflet 2009/2010 document and recommend that the final version be circulated with Council Tax Bills. The latest outline version of the Council Tax Leaflet 2009/2010 will be tabled at the meeting.

**3. Capital Programme 2009/2010 Including Prudential Indicators and Treasury Management Strategy**

That they have given consideration to the attached joint report of the Chief Executive and the City Treasurer and recommend that approval be given to:

- (i) the proposed Capital Programme for 2009/2010;
- (ii) the Prudential Indicators;
- (iii) the Annual Minimum Revenue Provision Statement;
- (iv) the Annual Treasury Management Strategy including specifically the Annual Borrowing and Investment Strategies.

**4. Revenue Budget 2009/2010**

That they have given consideration to the attached joint report of the Chief Executive and the City Treasurer and to the proposed Revenue Budget for 2009/2010 and recommend that approval be given to:

- (i) the Revenue Budget for 2009/2010, and
- (ii) that the notes of the meetings with the North East Chamber of Commerce and the Trades Unions (attached) be noted.

**Determination of Council Tax 2009/2010**

That they have given consideration to a report of the City Treasurer making, subject to the approval of the Revenue Budget 2009/2010, recommendations with respect to Council Tax levels for 2009/2010 and advising that the Council Tax is calculated using the tax bases for the areas of the City Council and Hetton Town Council as approved by Council on 28th January, 2009, and setting out a number of resolutions required to be made to determine the Council Tax including the confirmed precepts from the Major Precepting Authorities and the Parish of Hetton Town Council.

They therefore recommend that:

- (i) it be noted that, at its meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> January, 2009, the Council approved the following amounts for the year 2009/2010 in accordance with regulations made under Section 33 (5) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992:
  - (a) £80,089 being the amount calculated by the Council, in accordance with Regulation 3 of the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) Regulations 1992, as its Council Tax Base for the year;
  - (b) £4,032 being the amount calculated by the Council, in accordance with Regulation 6 of the Regulations, as the amount of its Council Tax Base for the year for dwellings in the area of the Parish of Hetton Town Council.
  
- (ii) the following amounts be now calculated by the Council for the year 2009/2010 in accordance with Sections 32 to 36 of the Local Government and Finance Act 1992:
  - (a) £743,867,051 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 32 (2) (a) to (e) of the Act.
  - (b) £494,816,231 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 32 (3) (a) to (c) of the Act.
  - (c) £249,050,820 being the amount by which the aggregate at (ii)(a) above, exceeds the aggregate at (ii)(b) above calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 32 (4) of the Act, as its budget requirement for the year.
  - (d) £155,143,066 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, Revenue Support Grant, Additional Grant and Community Charge surplus, pursuant to the Collection Fund (Community Charges) Directions under Section 98 (4) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 made on 7th February 1994, and the amount of the sum which the Council has estimated will be transferred from its Collection Fund to its General Fund in accordance with Section

97(3) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 (Council Tax Surplus).

- (e) £1,172.5425 being the amount at (ii)(c) above, less the amount at (ii)(d) above, all divided by the amount at (i)(a) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 33 (1) of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year.
- (f) £51,455 being the precept notified by Hetton Town Council and a special item under Section 34 (1) of the Act.
- (g) £1,171.9000 being the amount at (ii)(e) above, less the result given by dividing the amount at (ii)(f) above by the amount at (i)(a) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 34 (2) of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which no special item relates.
- (h) £1,184.6617 being the amount given by adding to the amount at (ii)(g) above, the amount (ii)(f) divided by the amount at (i)(b) above, calculated by the Council in accordance with Section 34 (3) of the Act as the basic amounts of its Council Tax for the year for dwellings in the area of the Parish of Hetton Town Council.

#### Parts of the Council's Area

(i)	Valuation Bands	Hetton Town Council	All other parts of the Council's area
	A	£ 789.77	£ 781.27
	B	£ 921.40	£ 911.48
	C	£1,053.03	£1,041.69
	D	£1,184.66	£1,171.90
	E	£1,447.92	£1,432.32
	F	£1,711.18	£1,692.74
	G	£1,974.43	£1,953.17
	H	£2,369.32	£2,343.80

being the amounts given by multiplying the amounts at (ii)2(g) and (ii)(h) above, by the number which, in proportion set out in Section 5(1) of the Act, is applicable to dwellings listed in a particular band divided by the number which in that proportion is applicable to dwellings listed in valuation band D, calculated by

the Council, in accordance with Section 36(1) of the Act, as the amounts to be taken into account for the year in respect of categories of dwellings listed in different valuation bands.

- (iii) it be noted that for the year 2009/2010, the Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Authority and the Northumbria Police Authority have confirmed the following amounts in precepts issued to the Council, in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each of the categories of dwellings as follows:

Precepting Authority

Valuation Bands	Northumbria Police Authority	Tyne & Wear Fire and Rescue Authority
A	£ 54.21	£ 48.33
B	£ 63.25	£ 56.39
C	£ 72.28	£ 64.44
D	£ 81.32	£ 72.50
E	£ 99.39	£ 88.61
F	£117.46	£104.72
G	£135.53	£120.83
H	£162.64	£145.00

- (iv) having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts of (ii) and (iii) above, and having received confirmation of the precepts in paragraph (iii), the Council, in accordance with Section 30 (2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the following amounts as the amounts of Council Tax for the year 2009/2010 for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:

Parts of the Council's Area

Valuation Bands	Hetton Town Council	All other parts of the Council's Area
A	£ 892.31	£ 883.81
B	£1,041.04	£1,031.12
C	£1,189.75	£1,178.41
D	£1,338.48	£1,325.72
E	£1,635.92	£1,620.32
F	£1,933.36	£1,914.92
G	£2,230.79	£2,209.53
H	£2,676.96	£2,651.44