

## Sunderland City Council

At a meeting of SUNDERLAND CITY COUNCIL held in the CIVIC CENTRE on WEDNESDAY, 4<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2009 at 2.00 p.m.

**Present:** The Mayor (Councillor M. Smith) in the Chair  
The Deputy Mayor (Councillor D. Richardson)

Councillors	Allan	Francis	Rolph	J. W. Walton
	Anderson	E. Gibson	Scaplehorn	Wares
	Ball	P. Gibson	J. Scott	P. Watson
	Bell	Gofton	Shattock	S. Watson
	Blackburn	Heron	D. Smith	Whalen
	Charlton	Paul Maddison	P. Smith	A. Wilson
	Copeland	Peter Maddison	Snowdon	D. Wilson
	A. Cuthbert	L. Martin	Speding	Wood
	I. Cuthbert	T. Martin	Stephenson	A. Wright
	M. Dixon	Miller	Symonds	N. Wright
	Ellis	Mordey	Tate	T. H Wright
	Fletcher	Morrissey	Timmins	
	D. Forbes	Old	Trueman	
	M. Forbes	Oliver	Wakefield	
	Foster	I. Richardson	P. Walker	

The Notice convening the meeting was read.

### Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes of the last ordinary meeting of the Council held on 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2009 (copy circulated) be confirmed as a correct record.

### Declarations of Interest

The following Councillors declared personal interests in the following items in the Cabinet Report in respect of the interests respectively indicated:-

### Capital Programme 2008/2009 Including Prudential Indicators and Treasury Management Strategy

Councillor Allan	Alternate Director - TWEDCO	Councillor Rolph	Governor – Houghton Kepier School
Councillor Anderson	Governor – Hetton Primary School	Councillor Rolph	South Tyne and Wear Waste Management Partnership Executive Board

Councillor Anderson	South Tyne and Wear Waste Management Partnership Executive Board - Substitute	Councillor Rolph	Tyne and Wear Museums Joint Committee – Substitute
Councillor Anderson	Director - TWEDCO	Councillor J. Scott	Governor – New Penshaw Primary School
Councillor Ball	Governor – Ryhope Junior School	Councillor J. Scott	Member – Sunderland CVS
Councillor Ball	Director – Blue Water	Councillor J. Scott	Member – Penshaw CA
Councillor Ball	Director – Raich Carter Sports Centre	Councillor M. Smith	Governor – Barnes Infant School
Councillors Ball	Director - Gentoo	Councillor P. Smith	Member – Early Years and Childcare Strategic Partnership
Councillor Bell	Member – North Eastern Sea Fisheries	Councillor P. Smith	BSF/Academies Project Board
Councillor Bell	Member Beamish Museum	Councillor P. Smith	Governor – Plains Farm Primary School
Councillor Bell	Member – Tyne and Wear Museums	Councillor P. Smith	BSF Working Group – St. Roberts
Councillor Bell	Member – Monkwearmouth Station Museum	Councillor Speding	Football Foundation
Councillor Blackburn	Nexus/Tyne and Wear Passenger Transport Authority	Councillor Speding	Tyne and Wear Museums Joint Committee
Councillor Blackburn	Governor – Hetton Lyons Nursery School	Councillor Speding	Empire Theatre
Councillor Blackburn	Street Lighting and Highways Signs	Councillor Speding	Beamish Museum
Councillor Charlton	Governor – Hylton Red House School	Councillor Speding	Tyne and Wear Archives Joint Committee
Councillor Charlton	City Hospitals Trust	Councillor Speding	Tyne and Wear Joint Museums
Councillor Fletcher	Governor – Usworth Primary School	Councillor Speding	Northern Arts Local Authority Forum
Councillor Fletcher	Trustee – Washington Millennium Centre	Councillor Speding	Northern Sport
Councillor Foster	Trust Member – Castle View Academy	Councillor Symonds	Member – Tyne and Wear Passenger Transport Authority

Councillor Foster	Governor – Castletown Primary School	Councillor Tate	Alternate Director – Newcastle International Airport GMB
Councillor Foster	Member – Northumbria Police Authority	Councillor Tate	
Councillor Foster	Member – Beamish Museum Management Committee	Councillor Tate	Tyne and Wear Pension Fund
Councillor Foster	Member – Sunderland and North Durham Society for the Blind	Councillor Tate	Governor – Hetton School, Hetton Primary and Hetton Lyons Primary Schools
Councillor Foster	Member – Safer Sunderland Partnership	Councillor Timmins	City Hospitals Trust
Councillor E. Gibson	Governor – Mill Hill Primary School	Councillor Trueman	Member – ANEC, LGPS
Councillor E. Gibson	Grandson attends St. Aidan’s School	Councillor Walker	Gentoo Employee
Councillor P. Gibson	Grandson attends St. Aidan’s School	Councillor Walker	Trustee – Washington Millennium Centre Sunderland Empire Theatre Trust
Councillor Gofton	Member – Academy Board Member (Academy 360)	Councillor Walker	
Councillor Gofton	Member – Sunderland Empire Theatre Trust	Councillor Walker	Governor – Albany Village Primary School, Venerable Bede School
Councillor Heron	Member – Gentoo	Councillor Walker	Member – Unison, LGPS
Councillor Heron	Member – Tyne and Wear Passenger Transport Authority	Councillor Walker	Son is an employee in CCS
Councillor Heron	Member Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Authority	Councillor J. Walton	Member – Fulwell CA
Councillor Heron	Member – Hetton Lyons Boys Club - Chairman	Councillor Wares	Member – Ryhope CA
Councillor Kelly	Member - Gentoo	Councillor Wares	Governor – St. Patrick’s RC Voluntary Aided Primary School, Venerable Bede School

Councillor T. Martin	Director – Raich Carter Sports and Social Centre	Councillor Wares	Chair – Ryhope Development Trust
Councillor T. Martin	Governor – Southmoor and Valley Road School	Councillor P. Watson	Director – TWEDCO
Councillor T. Martin	Member – Beamish Museum	Councillor A. Wilson	Governor – Highfield Community Primary School
Councillor Mordey	Board Member – Raich Carter Sports Centre Management Board	Councillor A. Wilson	Member – Pallion Action Group
Councillor Mordey	Member – Hendon Young People’s Project	Councillor D. Wilson	Governor – Castle View School
Councillor Mordey	CHANCE	Councillor D. Wilson	Member – Gentoo Sunderland Limited
Councillor Mordey	Young Asian Voices	Councillor Wood	Member – Tyne and Wear PTA
Councillor Mordey	Newcastle International Airport – Alternate Director	Councillor T. Wright	Member – Pennywell CA, Tansey Centre
Councillor Mordey	Member – Sunderland Common Purpose	Councillor T. Wright	Governor – Pennywell Academy
Councillor Mordey	Member – Unite Union	Councillor T. Wright	Chairman - TWFRA
Councillor Mordey	Member – Tyne and Wear Joint Museums Committee		
Councillor Mordey	Tyne and Wear Archives Joint Committee		

**Revenue Budget 2008/2009**

Councillor Allan	Member – TWAFA, LGPS, LGA, NERO, ANEC	Councillor Tate	Member – Easington Lane Community Access Point
Councillor Allan	Alternate Director – TWEDCO	Councillor Tate	Chair – Hetton Home Care Services
Councillor Anderson	Member – Hetton Town Council	Councillor Tate	Spouse employee of Easington Lane School
Councillor Anderson	Member – TWEDCO, LGPS, ANEC, NEA	Councillor Timmins	Member – LGPS

Councillor Anderson	South Tyne and Wear Waste Partnership Board	Councillor Timmins	Governor – City of Sunderland College Board and University of Sunderland Board
Councillor Blackburn	National Association of Councillors	Councillor Timmins	Member – Learning Disabilities and Mental Health Partnerships
Councillor Blackburn	South Tyne and Wear Waste Management Partnership Executive Board	Councillor Trueman	Member – LGPS, ANEC
Councillor Blackburn	Street Lighting and Highways Signs	Councillor Walker	Gentoo employee
Councillor Blackburn	Tyne and Wear PTA	Councillor Walker	Trustee – Washington Millennium Centre
Councillor Blackburn	Joint Committee of the National Parking Adjudication Service	Councillor Walker	Sunderland Empire Theatre Trust
Councillor Blackburn	Governor – Hetton Lyons and Easington Lane Primary School	Councillor Walker	Governor – Albany Village Primary School, Venerable Bede School
Councillor Charlton	Member – LGA, LGPS, ANEC	Councillor Walker	Member – Unison, LGPS
Councillor Charlton	City Hospitals Trust	Councillor Walker	Son is an employee in CCS
Councillor Charlton	Sunniside Partnership	Councillor Wares	Member – Ryhope CA
Councillor A. Cuthbert	Northumbria Police	Councillor Wares	Governor – St. Patrick's Voluntary Aided Primary School, Venerable Bede School
Councillor Francis	Spouse is a fundraiser for Soldiers, Sailors, Airman and Families Association	Councillor Wares	Chair – Ryhope Development Trust
Councillor Forbes	Member – Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Authority	Councillor P. Watson	Director – TWEDCO, LGA, NEREO, NEA, ANEC
Councillor E. Gibson	Family member employed by Sunderland TPCT	Councillor P. Watson	Lessee of Social Club and recipient of trade refuse collection service

Councillor P. Gibson	Family member employed by Sunderland TPCT	Councillor P. Watson	Learning and Skills Council
Councillor Heron	Member – Gentoo	Councillor P. Watson	Sunderland ARC
Councillor Heron	Member – Tyne and Wear Passenger Transport Authority	Councillor P. Watson	Alternate Director – Newcastle International Airport
Councillor Heron	Member – Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Authority	Councillor P. Watson	Director – Newcastle International Airport Local Authority Holding Company
Councillor Heron	Member – Hetton Lyons Boys’ Club – Chairman	Councillor P. Watson	Sunniside Partnership
Councillor M. Smith	Family member employed by Sunderland TPCT	Councillor S. Watson	Member – NERO, LGA
Councillor P. Smith	Member – LGPS	Councillor S. Watson	Lessee of Land Trade Refuse Contract
Councillor P. Smith	Derwent Hill Advisory Group	Councillor S. Watson	Alternate Director – Wearside Women in Need
Councillor P. Smith	Early Years and Childcare Partnership Board	Councillor S. Watson	Director – Empire Theatre Trust
Councillor Symonds	Tyne and Wear PTA	Councillor S. Watson	Beamish

## **Mayor’s Announcements**

### **James Wynn Deceased**

It was with sadness that the Mayor advised the Council of the recent death of the former Councillor James Wynn and his wife Jean.

Members and Officers joined the Mayor in observing a one-minute silence as a mark of respect.

### **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were submitted to the meeting on behalf of Councillors Arnott, Chamberlin, P. Dixon, Errington, Fairs, A. Hall, Howe, Kelly, O’Connor, J.B. Scott, Stewart, Tye, L. Walton, Vardy and Wake.

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

That they had 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 had also subsequently submitted the 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 had congratulated the City Treasurer on his report and noted its comments.

Subsequently the precept figures of the Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Authority had been confirmed as those set out in the report to Cabinet on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2009 and included at Item 4. However, although the Northumbria Police Authority had confirmed the precept as that already reported as £81.32 at Band D, it had notified the Council of some very marginal differences to Bands A, C, E, F, G and H, because of the way in which the precept calculation had been reported. As a result, Item 4 below had been amended to reflect the final confirmed position for the Northumbria Police Authority precept levels at each band and also showed the final council tax levels for both Hetton Town Council and all other parts of the Council's Area.

The recommendations were as follows:

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

That they had given consideration to the joint report of the Chief Executive and the City Treasurer (copy circulated) on the Corporate Improvement Plan for 2009/2010 to 2011/2012 which had been separately bound and which combined the service and financial plans of the Council and recommended that the Corporate Improvement Plan be approved.

**[NOTE:** To ensure completeness and accuracy, it had 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, to reflect the changing national and local position in respect of plans for 2009/2010. The reprinted pages distributed with the Council Agenda also reflected 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 had given consideration to the report relating to the Draft Council Tax Leaflet 2009/2010 document and recommended that the final version be circulated with Council Tax Bills. The latest outline version of the Council Tax Leaflet 2009/2010 was tabled at the meeting.

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

That they had given consideration to the joint report of the Chief Executive and the City Treasurer (copy circulated) and recommended 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 had given consideration to the joint report of the Chief Executive and the City Treasurer (copy circulated) and to the proposed Revenue Budget for 2009/2010 and recommended that approval be given to:

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

**5. Determination of Council Tax 2009/2010**

That they had given consideration to a report of the City Treasurer (copy circulated) 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 was 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 recommended 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 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)(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	£ 54.22	£ 48.33
B	£ 63.25	£ 56.39
C	£ 72.29	£ 64.44
D	£ 81.32	£ 72.50
E	£ 99.40	£ 88.61
F	£117.47	£104.72
G	£135.54	£120.83
H	£162.65	£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	£ 892.32	£ 883.82
B	£1,041.04	£1,031.12
C	£1,189.76	£1,178.42
D	£1,338.48	£1,325.72
E	£1,635.93	£1,620.33
F	£1,933.37	£1,914.93
G	£2,230.80	£2,209.54
H	£2,676.97	£2,651.45

It was then moved by Councillor P. Watson and seconded by Councillor Anderson that the report of the Cabinet be approved and adopted including the matters set out in the amended pages which had been tabled. Councillor Allan moved that the time limit for the Leader's speech to the motion be extended and upon being put to the meeting the motion was approved. For the purpose of debate, the Mayor invited Councillor Martin to outline his Group's proposed "Global" Amendment, and the further specific proposals relating thereto, on the Revenue Budget prior to dealing with his various individual amendments, following which she proposed that a vote would be taken on the "Global" amendment. The Council also agreed an extension of time for Councillor L. Martin's speech. A general discussion then ensued on the report of the Cabinet following which the estimates of the various Services of the Council were put to the meeting.

The Global Amendment was moved and after speeches was 'parked' for a vote following the specific amendments listed hereafter being moved and voted upon.

## RESOURCES

It was moved by Councillor L. Martin and Seconded by Councillor Morrissey that the Revenue Budget 2009/2010 be amended as follows:-

### Amendments to Leader and Deputy Leader

<u>Reductions</u>		<u>Page</u>
Communications	-£250,000	60c
Anti-Fascist Association	<u>-£ 7,501</u>	94
	-£257,501	
<u>Additions</u>		
Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Families Association	<u>£ 7,829</u>	94
	£ 7,829	
Effect on Local Council Tax Requirement	-£249,672	

Upon being put to the vote, the Amendment was defeated with 17 members voting in favour thereof, viz:-

Councillor	A. Cuthbert	Francis	Morrissey	Wakefield
	I. Cuthbert	Paul Maddison	Oliver	J.W. Walton
	M. Dixon	Peter Maddison	I. Richardson	Wood
	S. Ellis	L. Martin	D. Smith	A. Wright
	M. Forbes			

And 40 Members voting against, viz:-

Councillor	Allan	E. Gibson	Scaplehorn	Trueman
	Anderson	P. Gibson	J. Scott	Walker
	Ball	Gofton	Shattock	Wares
	Bell	Heron	P. Smith	P. Watson
	Blackburn	T. Martin	Snowdon	S. Watson
	Charlton	Miller	Speding	Whalen
	Copeland	Mordey	Stephenson	A. Wilson
	Fletcher	Old	Symonds	D. Wilson
	D. Forbes	D. Richardson	Tate	N. Wright
	Foster	Rolph	Timmins	T. Wright

## RESOURCES

It was moved by Councillor L. Martin and seconded by Councillor Morrissey that the Capital Programme 2009/2010 be amended as follows:-

<u>Reductions</u>		<u>Page</u>
Provision for Economic Downturn	-£ 965,000	60c
Association of North East Councils	<u>-£ 101,218</u>	177
	-£1,066.218	
Effect on Local Council Tax Requirement	-£1,066,218	

Upon being put to the vote, the amendment was defeated with 15 Members voting in favour thereof, viz:-

Councillor	A. Cuthbert	M. Forbes	L. Martin	Wakefield
	I. Cuthbert	Francis	Oliver	J. Walton
	M. Dixon	Paul Maddison	I. Richardson	Wood
	Ellis	Peter Maddison	D. Smith	

And 40 Members voting against, viz:-

Councillor	Allan	E. Gibson	Scaplehorn	Trueman
	Anderson	P. Gibson	J. Scott	Walker
	Ball	Gofton	Shattock	Wares
	Bell	Heron	P. Smith	P. Watson
	Blackburn	T. Martin	Snowdon	S. Watson
	Charlton	Miller	Speding	Whalen
	Copeland	Mordey	J. Stephenson	D. Wilson
	Fletcher	Old	Symonds	A. Wright
	D. Forbes	D. Richardson	Tate	N. Wright
	Foster	Rolph	Timmins	T. Wright

## RESOURCES

It was moved by Councillor L. Martin and seconded by Councillor Morrissey that the Capital Programme 2009/2010 be amended as follows:-

That the Capital Programme 2009/2010 be amended as follows:-

Page 650, 'Projects commencing 2009/2010', insert 'Workwise – additional funding to rollout home/remote working solutions', £250,000 to be financed from the Strategic Investment Reserve.

Upon being put to the vote, the amendment was defeated with 15 Members voting in favour thereof, viz:-

Councillor	A. Cuthbert	M. Forbes	L. Martin	J. Walton
	I. Cuthbert	Francis	Morrissey	Wood
	M. Dixon	Paul Maddison	Oliver	A. Wright
	Ellis	Peter Maddison	I. Richardson	

And 40 Members voting against, viz:-

Councillor	Allan	E. Gibson	Scaplehorn	Wakefield
	Anderson	P. Gibson	Shattock	Walker
	Ball	Gofton	D. Smith	Wares
	Bell	Heron	P. Smith	P. Watson
	Blackburn	T. Martin	Snowdon	S. Watson
	Charlton	Miller	J. Stephenson	Whalen
	Copeland	Mordey	Symonds	A. Wilson
	Fletcher	Old	Tate	D. Wilson
	D. Forbes	D. Richardson	Timmins	N. Wright
	Foster	Rolph	Trueman	T. Wright

## PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION

It was moved by Councillor L. Martin and Seconded by Councillor Morrissey that the Capital Programme 2009/2010 be amended as follows:-

That the Capital Programme 2009/2010 be amended as follows:-

Page 668, 'Projects commencing 2009/2010', delete Central Car Park.

Upon being put to the vote, the amendment was defeated with 15 Members voting in favour thereof, viz:-

Councillor	A. Cuthbert	M. Forbes	Morrissey	J. Walton
	I. Cuthbert	Francis	Oliver	Wood
	M. Dixon	Paul Maddison	I. Richardson	A. Wright
	Ellis	L. Martin	D. Smith	

And 41 members voting against, viz:-

Councillor	Allan	Gofton	J. Scott	Wakefield
	Anderson	Heron	Shattock	Walker
	Ball	Peter Maddison	P. Smith	Wares
	Bell	T. Martin	Snowdon	P. Watson
	Blackburn	Miller	Speding	S. Watson
	Charlton	Mordey	J. Stephenson	Whalen
	Copeland	Old	Symonds	A. Wilson
	Fletcher	I. Richardson	Tate	D. Wilson
	D. Forbes	Rolph	Timmins	N. Wright
	E. Gibson	Scaplehorn	Trueman	T. Wright
	P. Gibson			

## REGENERATION AND COMMUNITY COHESION

It was moved by Councillor L. Martin and seconded by Councillor Morrissey that the Capital Programme be amended as follows:-

<u>Reductions</u>		<u>Page</u>
Equality and Diversity	-£115,000	60c
Area Committee Support	-£100,000	60c
Sustainability Initiatives	<u>-£ 50,000</u>	60c
	-£265,000	
Effect on Local Council Tax Requirement	-£265,000	

Upon being put to the vote, the amendment was defeated with 17 Members voting in favour thereof, viz:-

Councillor	A. Cuthbert	Francis	Morrissey	Wakefield
	I. Cuthbert	G. Hall	Oliver	J. Walton
	M. Dixon	Paul Maddison	I. Richardson	Wood
	Ellis	L. Martin	D. Smith	A. Wright
	M. Forbes			

And 38 Members voting against, viz:-

Councillor	Allan	E. Gibson	J. Scott	Wares
	Anderson	P. Gibson	Shattock	P. Watson
	Ball	Gofton	P. Smith	S. Watson
	Bell	Heron	Snowdon	Whalen
	Blackburn	T. Martin	Speding	A. Wilson
	Charlton	Miller	Stephenson	D. Wilson
	Copeland	Old	Symonds	N. Wright
	Fletcher	I. Richardson	Tate	T. Wright
	D. Forbes	Rolph	Timmins	
	Foster	Scaplehorn	Walker	

## **CULTURE AND LEISURE**

It was moved by Councillor L. Martin and seconded by Councillor Morrissey that the Capital Programme 2009/2010 be amended as follows:-

That the Capital Programme 2009/2010 be amended as follows:-

Page 685, 'Projects commencing 2008/2009' delete Cultural Quarter.

Upon being put to the vote, the amendment was defeated with 17 Members voting in favour thereof, viz:-

Councillor	A. Cuthbert	Francis	Morrissey	Wakefield
	I. Cuthbert	G. Hall	Oliver	J. Walton
	M. Dixon	Paul Maddison	I. Richardson	Wood
	Ellis	L. Martin	D. Smith	A. Wright
	M. Forbes			

And 37 Members voting against, viz:-

Councillor	Allan	E. Gibson	J. Scott	Walker
	Anderson	P. Gibson	Shattock	Wares
	Ball	Gofton	P. Smith	P. Watson
	Bell	T. Martin	Snowdon	S. Watson
	Blackburn	Miller	Speding	Whalen
	Charlton	Old	Symonds	A. Wilson
	Copeland	D. Richardson	Tate	D. Wilson
	Fletcher	Rolph	Timmins	N. Wright
	D. Forbes	Scaplehorn	Trueman	T. Wright
	Foster			

At this juncture, with the permission of the Mayor, Councillor L. Martin withdrew a proposed amendment on the surplus shortfall in the Capital Programme resultant from amendments to the Revenue Budget 2009/2010 being added to/funded from the Strategic Investment Reserve.

## **GLOBAL AMENDMENT**

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It had been moved as an Amendment by Councillor L. Martin and seconded by Councillor Morrissey that the Valuation Band D figure for "Hetton Town Council" and "All other parts of the Council's Area" be amended to £1,301.14 and £1,288.75 respectively and that a 10 percent discount be introduced for all pensioner households with all necessary and consequential amendments being made to the remainder of the resolution. The following further specific proposals were considered as part of the Global Amendment:

## Revenue Budget 2009/2010 – Overall (All Council) Amendments

<u>Reductions</u>		<u>Page</u>
Revenue Contribution to Capital Programme	-£2,432,200	60
Reduction to Payroll	-£1,380,000	60
General Contingencies	<u>-£ 150,000</u>	60b
	-£3,962,200	
<u>Additions</u>		
10% Pensioner Discount	£1,852,200	60
Operational Costs of 10% Discount	£ 80,000	60
Contingency for Economic Downturn	£ 500,000	60b
Contingency for Residents' Parking Pilots	<u>£ 150,000</u>	60b
	£2,582,200	
Effect on Local Council Tax Requirement	-£1,380,000	

Upon being put to the vote, the Global Amendment was defeated with 15 Members voting in favour thereof, viz:-

Councillor	A. Cuthbert	M. Forbes	L. Martin	J. Walton
	I. Cuthbert	Francis	Morrissey	Wood
	M. Dixon	Hall	Oliver	A. Wright
	Ellis	Paul Maddison	I. Richardson	

And 2 Members abstaining, viz:-

Councillor	D. Smith
	Wakefield

And 39 Members voting against, viz:-

Councillor	Allan	E. Gibson	J. Scott	Walker
	Anderson	P. Gibson	Shattock	Wares
	Ball	Gofton	P. Smith	P. Watson
	Bell	Heron	Snowdon	S. Watson
	Blackburn	T. Martin	Speding	Whalen
	Charlton	Miller	Stephenson	A. Wilson
	Copeland	Old	Symonds	D. Wilson
	Fletcher	I. Richardson	Tate	N. Wright
	D. Forbes	Rolph	Timmins	T. Wright
	Foster	Scaplehorn	Trueman	

The substantive motion to approve and adopt the report of the Cabinet was then put to the meeting and upon being put to the vote the motion was carried with 39 members voting in favour thereof, viz:-

Councillor	Allan	E. Gibson	J. Scott	Walker
	Anderson	P. Gibson	Shattock	Wares
	Ball	Gofton	P. Smith	P. Watson
	Bell	Heron	Snowdon	S. Watson
	Blackburn	T. Martin	Speding	Whalen
	Charlton	Miller	Stephenson	A. Wilson
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And 15 members voting against, viz:

Councillor	A. Cuthbert	M. Forbes	L. Martin	J. Walton
	I. Cuthbert	Francis	Morrissey	Wood
	M. Dixon	G. Hall	Oliver	A. Wright
	Ellis	Paul Maddison	I. Richardson	

RESOLVED that the report of the Cabinet be approved and adopted (including the matters set out in the amended pages which had been issued).

(Signed) M. SMITH,  
Mayor.