
COUNTY COUNCIL SUMMARY OF DECISIONS

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1	Apologies for Absence
	Apologies were received from Cllr T Napper.
6	Report of the Head of Finance on the Robustness of the Estimates and the Adequacy of Reserves and Balances
	<p>DECISION</p> <p>The Council RESOLVED to note that the estimates used in the production of the budget proposal for 2018/19 are adequately robust.</p> <p>The Council further noted the following statement from the S151 Officer, made on the basis of the assessments contained in the report:</p> <p>Based on the assessment of the reserves, contingencies and balances, the key financial risks identified, and the thorough process used for developing the Medium Term Financial Plan, I have determined that the level of reserves, contingencies and balances for the 2018/19 financial year is adequate.</p>
7	Report of the Leader and Cabinet
	<p>DECISION</p> <p>The Council RESOLVED:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">1) 2018/19 Capital Investment Programme</p> <p>To agree:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A Capital Investment Programme for 2018/19 of £91.973m shown in Appendix A. Full details of individual schemes are available online as background papers; 2. That the Chief Executive and relevant Senior Leadership Team Officer(s) following appropriate consultation and after giving due regard to the information contained within any associated impact assessments, are given delegated authority to decide on the specific individual projects to be delivered within generic approvals for their area of control and to secure any necessary decisions in order to implement the projects; 3. The Prudential Code Indicators as shown in Section 5 & Appendix C. 4. The statement on the Minimum Revenue Provision be endorsed for the 2018/19 financial year (section 4)

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	<p data-bbox="316 174 1313 241">2) 2018/19 Revenue Budget and the Medium Term Financial Plan 2018/19-2021/22</p> <p data-bbox="268 286 408 320">To agree:</p> <ol data-bbox="268 360 1422 757" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="268 360 1422 613">1. The 2018/19 Revenue Budget which sets: <ol data-bbox="268 398 1422 613" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="268 398 1422 432">a. Net Revenue Budget of £316,881,900; <li data-bbox="268 432 1422 465">b. Council Tax Requirement of £230,250,000; <li data-bbox="268 465 1422 539">c. A Council Tax increase of 5.99% (including a 3% precept for Adult Social Care) giving a Band D value of £1,192.16; <li data-bbox="268 539 1422 613">d. Specific savings targets as shown in Appendix A after having due regards to the potential impacts identified in this report and its appendices. <li data-bbox="268 651 1422 757">2. To continue the Council Tax precept of £12.84 within the base budget for the shadow Somerset Rivers Authority (representing no increase). This results in a Council Tax Requirement of £2,506,900. <p data-bbox="316 797 1137 831">3) Treasury Management Strategy Statement 2018-19</p> <p data-bbox="268 875 408 909">To agree:</p> <ol data-bbox="268 949 1422 1128" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="268 949 1422 1023">1. Adopt the Treasury Management Strategy (as shown in Section 2 of the report). <li data-bbox="268 1023 1422 1128">2. Approve the Annual Investment Strategy (as shown in Section 3 of the report) and proposed Lending Counterparty Criteria (attached at Appendix B to the report).
8	Report of the HR Policy Committee
	<p data-bbox="268 1263 424 1296">DECISION</p> <p data-bbox="268 1301 627 1335">The Council RESOLVED</p> <ul data-bbox="268 1339 1382 1406" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="268 1339 1382 1406">• To approve the Pay Policy Statement (PPS) for the Council for 2018-19 (attached as Appendix A to the report).
9	Requisitioned Item
	<p data-bbox="268 1545 424 1579">DECISION</p> <p data-bbox="268 1583 635 1617">The Council RESOLVED:</p> <p data-bbox="268 1657 919 1691">To ask the Cabinet Member for Resources to:</p> <ol data-bbox="268 1731 1409 2018" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="268 1731 1409 1910">1. Work with partners, suppliers and customers to develop a strategy and timetable to make Somerset County Council (SCC) a 'single-use-plastic-free' authority, specifically the phasing out of sales and use of Single Use Plastic (SUP) bottles and other SUP products across all premises and events. <li data-bbox="268 1951 1409 2018">2. Present the strategy and timetable to the Scrutiny Committee for Policies and Place before consideration at Full Council in November 2018.

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	<p>3. Actively encourage the institutions, businesses and residents of Somerset to adopt similar measures.</p> <p>4. Lobby the Somerset MP's for national legislation on reducing the use of SUP's.</p> <p>5. To actively encourage additional plastic recycling facilities through the Somerset Waste Partnership.</p>
10	Report from the Chief Executive
	<p>DECISION The Council RESOLVED:</p> <p>To agree:</p> <p>(a) The post of Service Manager (Executive) – currently held by Scott Wooldridge - as the Council's Monitoring Officer initially for a two year period and to be reviewed in advance of the February 2020 Council meeting;</p> <p>(b) The post of Service Manager – Information Governance – currently held by Peter Grogan – as the Council's Data Protection Officer with effect from 25th May 2018 – a new statutory post as defined by the EU General Data Protection Regulation 2016 (Articles 37-39).</p> <p>And to note:</p> <p>(c) The action taken by the Chief Executive in agreeing a six month leave of absence from Council duties for Cllr Linda Oliver.</p>