

**BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL****COUNCIL****4.30pm 25 FEBRUARY 2010****COUNCIL CHAMBER, BRIGHTON TOWN HALL****MINUTES**

**Present:** Councillors Mrs Norman (Chairman), Peltzer Dunn (Deputy Chairman), Alford, Allen, Barnett, Bennett, Brown, Carden, Caulfield, Cobb, Davey, Davis, Drake, Duncan, Elgood, Fallon-Khan, Fryer, Hamilton, Harmer-Strange, Hawkes, Hyde, Janio, Kemble, Kennedy, Kitcat, Lepper, Marsh, McCaffery, Meadows, Mears, Mitchell, Morgan, K Norman, Older, Oxley, Phillips, Pidgeon, Randall, Rufus, Simpson, Simson, Smart, Smith, Steedman, Taylor, C Theobald, G Theobald, Turton, Wakefield-Jarrett, Watkins, Wells, West, Wrighton and Young.

**PART ONE****53. STATUTORY OR VOLUNTARY DISCLOSURE BY COUNCILLORS OF INTERESTS IN MATTERS APPEARING ON THE AGENDA.**

- 53.1 Councillor Simpson declared a personal and non-prejudicial interest in Item 55, in respect of the Green Group's amendment No.1 as she was employed by Age Concern, and in regard to the fact that she was a member of the Brighton and Hove Seaside Homes LDV Board.
- 53.2 Councillor Mears declared a personal and non-prejudicial interest in Item 55 in relation to the Capital Investment Programme and the Open Market.
- 53.3 Councillors Harmer-Strange, Wells and Randall declared a personal and non-prejudicial interest in Item 55 as members of the Brighton and Hove Seaside Homes LDV Board.

**54. MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS.**

- 54.1 The Mayor reported that under Section 30(6) of the Local Government Act 1992 the Council had a duty to set the Council Tax by 11 March 2010. A failure to set a tax did not then in itself invalidate the tax demands but it had other adverse consequences including the potential loss of income to the Council. One significant practical implication was that the contractor who printed and sent out the Council Tax bills had a slot booked to process the City Council's bills and a delay in setting the Budget could have significant implications in this respect.

- 54.2 The Mayor invited the Monitoring Officer to draw council's attention to some of the key points in the procedural note that had been circulated.
- 54.3 The Monitoring Officer noted that the procedure agreed for the budget debate enabled the Administration to outline its budget proposals and for the various Groups to put forward up to six amendments. He reminded the council of the need to set a balanced budget and whilst there was a situation of no overall control, he noted that Members had both a collective and individual responsibility to ensure that the process allowed for the setting of a balanced budget. He also noted that should any of the amendments put forward be approved, there may then be a need to adjourn the meeting to enable the Director of Finance & Resources to clarify the impact on the overall budget position.
- 54.4 The Mayor stated that there would not be a formal call over as she was aware that Members wished to discuss all three items under the Cabinet's proceedings. She also noted that a procedural note in relation to the Budget debate had been circulated, which she hoped Members would find helpful. In this respect she stated that it was intended that the General Fund Revenue Budget and Council Tax 2010/11, the Supplementary Financial Information report, the Capital Resources and Capital Investment Programme and the Housing Revenue Account Budget would be taken together in the one debate.
- 54.5 The Mayor outlined the process for the debate and asked that in moving the Budget and the amendments, the Member concerned should give an indication of their Group's position in respect of the various amendments that had been notified to enable proper space for debate on the issues of contention. She stated that following the conclusion of the general debate, she would then take votes on each amendment and finally on the substantive proposals as proposed or as amended. She noted that there would be three separate votes on the substantive proposals, i.e. Item 55(a) together with Item 55(b), then Item 55(c) and finally Item 55(d).
- 54.6 The Mayor then advised the council that Procedural Rules would need to be suspended in so far as was necessary to enable the business under Item 55(a-d) on the agenda to be dealt with as set out in the procedural note and moved the suspension accordingly.
- 54.7 **The Motion was carried.**
- 55. TO CONSIDER THE REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CABINET OF THE 11 FEBRUARY 2010 IN RESPECT OF:-**
- 55.1 **(A) General Fund Revenue Budget and Council Tax 2010/11**  
**(B) Supplementary Financial Information for Budget Council**  
**(C) Capital Resources and Capital Investment Programme for 2010/11**  
**(D) Housing Revenue Account Budget 2010/11**
- 55.2 The Mayor referred to the procedural note that had been circulated and stated that she would first call upon Councillor Mears to move and Councillor Young to second the recommendations en bloc on all three Budget items as put forward by the Administration, together with the Conservative Group's amendment. Councillor Mears would have unlimited time and Councillor Young would be limited to 5 minutes.

- 55.3 She would then call Councillor Hamilton and Councillor Mitchell to formally move and second the Opposition Group's amendments en bloc. Councillor Hamilton would have unlimited time and Councillor Mitchell would be limited to five minutes.
- 55.4 She would then call on Councillor Taylor and Councillor Randall to move the Green Group's amendments en bloc. Councillor Taylor would have unlimited time and Councillor Randall would be limited to 5 minutes.
- 55.5 She would then call on Councillor Elgood and Councillor Watkins to move the Liberal Democrat Group's amendments en bloc. Councillor Elgood would have unlimited time and Councillor Watkins would be limited to 5 minutes.
- 55.6 The Mayor stated that following the moving and seconding of the various motions, she would open the matter to general debate where all councillors could speak either to the Administration's budget and/or the amendments.
- 55.7 The Mayor stated that following the general debate the council would then be asked to vote on the Conservative Group amendment, the Labour Group's 5 amendments in turn, the Green Group's 5 amendments in turn and finally on the Liberal Democrat Group's 2 amendments in turn.
- 55.8 The Mayor stated that following the voting on each Group's amendments she would call on the Director of Finance & Resources to outline the impact on the Budget before proceeding to the next set of amendments. Once voting had been completed and the Director of Finance & Resources had clarified the budgetary position, she would then put the substantive motions (as amended as appropriate) to the vote. There would be separate votes on items 55(a) taken with 55(b), and then 55(c) and 55(d).
- 55.9 The Mayor also noted that except as otherwise stated all Members would be limited to speaking for 5 minutes each unless an extension was granted.
- 55.10 The Mayor then called on Councillors Mears and Young to move the Administration's budget and the Conservative Group's amendment.
- 55.11 Councillor Mears thanked the Mayor and moved the Conservative Administration's budget as listed in the agenda, along with the amendment as detailed in the addendum papers. She noted that the budget was being put forward in what was a difficult economic climate and was pleased to be able to present a budget with the lowest rise in council tax of 2.5%. She wished to thank the officers involved in the budget process and also her Cabinet Members. She felt that this was the toughest of the three budgets the Administration had faced during their term of office and was driven by three key principals i.e. to keep council tax down, value for money and to protect and improve front-line services. She was confident that the budget before the council met these principals and put the council on a firm financial footing.
- 55.12 Councillor Mears referred to the proposed amendments and stated that the Conservative Group were supportive of the Labour Group's amendment No.1, the Green Group's amendment No.1 and the Liberal Democrat Groups amendments No's. 1 and 2.

- 55.13 Councillor Young formally seconded the Conservative Administration's budget and the Conservative Group's amendment. She noted that the work undertaken in the previous year had laid the foundations for the budget proposals before the council and that the long-term strategy was to reduce the level of council tax increase for future years. She would continue to work with officers to maintain a firm financial footing for the council and invest in front-line services. She also wished to thank the officers involved in bringing the budget report forward and her colleagues in developing the proposals that were before the council.
- 55.14 Councillor Hamilton moved the Labour Group's five amendments as detailed in the addendum which had been circulated prior to the start of the meeting. He also wished to add his thanks to the finance officers who had helped with the budgetary process and the development of the proposed amendments. He welcomed the Leader's acceptance of the Labour Group's amendment No.1 but questioned the level of reserves that were being maintained at a time when investment in service provision was required. He believed that further action could have been taken to secure services and staff and expressed concern over the level of cuts being implemented that directly affected the most vulnerable groups in society.
- 55.15 Councillor Mitchell formally seconded the Labour Group's five amendments and stated that the Group would be supporting the Green Group's amendment No.1 and the Liberal Democrat Group's amendments No's.1 and 2. She also welcomed the Leader's willingness to accept one amendment from each of the opposition groups. In terms of the Labour Group's other amendments she hoped that they could be supported as they provided for investment in areas that would benefit the city.
- 55.16 Councillor Taylor moved the Green Group's five amendments as detailed in the addendum which had been circulated prior to the start of the meeting. He noted that a revised Amendment 2 had been circulated. He believed the opposition groups had missed an opportunity to influence the nature of the budget and stated that the amendments put forward by the Green Group sought to maintain services and focus the need for cuts elsewhere. He wished to add his thanks to the officers concerned and hoped that the amendments proposed would be given consideration as they aimed to improve the quality of life for residents and address issues such as lowering the city's carbon footprint.
- 55.17 The Mayor sought clarification from Councillor Taylor that in moving the amendments he was referring to the Green Group's revised Amendment No.2 which had been circulated separately prior to the meeting.
- 55.18 Councillor Taylor confirmed that he had wished to move the revised Amendment No.2 as circulated.
- 55.19 Councillor Randall formally seconded the Green Group's five amendments and stated that he believed the Administration's budget was placing the council as a hostage to fortune. He did not believe that the economies anticipated would be achieved and that the savings identified would place vulnerable young and elderly people in difficulty. He felt that the scrutiny process had worked well and enabled some changes to be taken on board as the budget proposals were finalised and hoped the process would continue. He also felt that further work could have been done to ensure the turnaround of empty properties to help meet the demand for suitable housing.

55.20 Councillor Elgood moved the Liberal Democrat Group's two amendments as detailed in the addendum which had been circulated prior to the start of the meeting. He also wished to thank the finance officers for their assistance in developing the amendments that had been put forward. He hoped that all parties would accept the two amendments and stated that the Liberal Democrat Group would support the Labour Group's Amendment No.1 and the Green Group's amendment No.1. He was concerned about the level of government funding available to the council and suggested that support for the introduction of a local income tax should be considered.

55.21 Councillor Watkins formally seconded the Liberal Democrat Group's two amendments.

55.22 The Mayor then opened the matter up to a general debate and the following Members of the Council spoke on the various motions that had been put forward; Councillors Theobald, Davey, Smith, Kemble, Wrighton, Hawkes, Brown, Caulfield, Kitcat, Simson, McCaffery, Peltzer Dunn, Simpson, Fryer, C. Theobald, Morgan, Young, Oxley, Fallon-Khan, Watkins and Norman.

55.23 The Mayor then called on Councillor Mears to reply.

55.24 Councillor Mears thanked the Mayor and noted that other Members had asked that the officers responsible for assisting with the drafting of the budget and the proposed amendments, in particular Mark Ireland and James Hengeveld, be thanked for their hard work and assistance given to all councillors. She therefore wished to add her thanks and to request that they be recorded. She then responded to the various points that had been raised in the debate and moved the Administration's budget proposals together with the Conservative Group's amendment.

55.25 The Mayor then took each amendment in turn and put them to the vote as follows.

55.26 Conservative Group Amendment 1

Allocate £424,000 one-off resources to the following:

- £50,000 for an improved pedestrian crossing at the junction of Old Shoreham Road and the Upper Drive;
- £40,000 to undertake a feasibility study to examine options to improve safety for pedestrians at the Sackville Road/Old Shoreham Road junction. The study would include traffic surveys, traffic modelling and analysis of options and recommendations;
- £30,000 to examine and implement improved school signing along the Old Shoreham Road;
- £100,000 towards the estimated £200,000 required for replacement floodlighting at the Royal Pavilion. Grants will be sought to fund the works and any of the £100,000 not required will be released back into reserves; and
- £204,000 to top up the winter maintenance reserve.

To be funded from £500,000 reserves identified in the supplementary financial information for Budget Council report agenda item 55(b).

**55.27 The motion was carried.****55.28 Labour Group Amendment 1**

Allocate £50,000 from the £500,000 reserves identified in the supplementary financial information for Budget Council report agenda item 55(b):

- £50,000 to provide discounted composter bins to Brighton & Hove residents in 2010/11 following the ending of the WRAP scheme. The discount will be between £15 and £20 per bin, making the prices, including delivery as follows:
 

220 litre compost bin	£8
330 litre compost bin	£13
Comp 320 litre compost bin	£40

**55.29 The motion was carried.****55.30 Labour Group Amendment 2**

Allocate £424,000 one-off resources to the following:

- £150,000 to top up the winter maintenance reserve;
- £200,000 to support youth outreach pilot schemes for 9 – 12 year olds (including all exit costs). If implemented permanently, resources will need to be built into the 2011/12 budget;
- £74,000 for investment in the seafront

To be funded from £500,000 reserves identified in the supplementary financial information for Budget Council report agenda item 55(b).

**55.31 The Mayor noted the vote was tied and therefore the motion was lost.****55.32 Labour Group Amendment 3**

Allocate £300,000 one-off resources to the following:

- A programme of refurbishment for sports pavilions and other buildings in parks and open spaces to bring them up to a standard whereby those suitable could be leased / rented to small enterprises and community groups.

Buildings identified for priority attention include: -

- Queens Park bowls pavilion,
- Braypool cricket shelters,
- Hove Recreation Ground cottage.
- Removal and re-use of Adelaide Crescent hut.

Any additional income generated through leasing/renting refurbished buildings will be built into the budget once quantified.

To be funded by reducing the allocation to seafront maintenance shown in paragraph 3.45 on page 11 of the Council agenda by £300,000.

**55.33 The Mayor noted the vote was tied and therefore the motion was lost.**

**55.34 Labour Group Amendment 4**

Allocate permanent funding to reduce savings and replace loss of grant for the following:

- £100,000 to reduce the saving of £126,000 in the Youth Offending Service as shown on page 65 of the Council agenda;
- £30,000 to replace the reduction in the Drug Intervention Grant as shown on page 69 of the Council agenda; and
- £70,000 to reduce the savings of £200,000 in the Connexions service as shown on page 64 of the Council agenda.

The £200,000 needed to make these changes will be funded by removing the permanent £200,000 youth outreach budget proposed in paragraph 3.44 on page 10 of the Council agenda.

**55.35 The motion was lost.**

**55.36 Labour Group Amendment 5**

Allocate permanent funding to the following:

- £120,000 to reduce the saving of £332,000 on the home to school transport budget as shown on page 64 of the Council Agenda;
- £50,000 to reduce the £200,000 saving in the Connexions service as shown on page 64 of the Council agenda; and
- £30,000 contingency to subsidise the No 21 bus extension service from September 2010 if required. If the contingency is not required then allocate these resources to provide ongoing support for youth outreach pilots.

It is proposed the £200,000 needed to make these changes will be funded by:

- Removing the £100,000 annual increase in the winter maintenance budget proposed in paragraph 3.46 on page 11 of the Council agenda;
- Reducing the budget for mowing of grass verges by £100,000. This will reduce the frequency of mowing verges and can be achieved by reducing the overtime budget for this service.

**55.37 The Mayor noted the vote was tied and therefore the motion was lost.**

**55.38 Green Group Amendment 1**

Allocate £10,000 one-off resources to Age Concern to fund 50% of a community development worker to help develop a WiredAge project. The project will deliver wireless internet facilities, Web Cam's, Skype and email for all residents in The Cedars, a 28 sheltered housing unit in Patcham. The partnership with Age Concern Brighton

Hove & Portslade will also include BT Charitable Foundation, YMCA and Sussex Housing & Care Housing Association. The project is designed as a template and good practice model for circulation across the country in relation to wiring older peoples accommodation;

To be funded from £500,000 reserves identified in the supplementary financial information for Budget Council report agenda item 55(b).

**55.39 The motion was carried.**

**55.40 Green Group Amendment 2**

Allocate £490,000 of one-off resources to the following:

- £200,000 to supplement existing insulation schemes but particularly targeted towards families with children living in homes in council tax bands A to D;
- £25,000 for an additional noise patrol shift per week in 2010/11 only;
- £180,000 for a £20,000 one-off grant to each of the 9 Brighton & Hove secondary schools to support the enhancement of sustainability within each school, in particular reducing energy consumption, reducing waste and raising awareness. The grant award would be conditional on each secondary school providing a business case that demonstrates how the resources will be used to enhance sustainability across the 3 themes; and
- £85,000 to provide a temporary increase to the discretionary grants budget in 2010/11 only.

To be funded from £500,000 reserves identified in the supplementary financial information for Budget Council report agenda item 55(b).

It is also proposed to implement a cost neutral green waste collection service paid for by participating residents. It is estimated that the annual cost would be £90 per annum per participating household although the cost is based on a minimum number of 4,000 households participating in a closely defined geographical area. There is also a risk that waste tonnages could increase if there is an adverse impact on home composting.

**55.41 The motion was lost.**

**55.42 Green Group Amendment 3**

Allocate one-off resources to the following:

- £100,000 to re-start the Valley Gardens transport project providing funding for feasibility work and some detailed design work;
- £150,000 transfer to the winter maintenance reserve; and
- £200,000 for youth outreach pilot schemes for 9 – 12 year olds (including all exit costs). If implemented permanently resources will need to be built into the 2011/12 budget.

To be funded by reducing the allocation to seafront maintenance shown in paragraph 3.45 on page 11 of the Council agenda by £450,000.

Allocate permanent funding to reduce or reverse the following savings proposals:

- £126,000 to reverse the savings proposed within the Youth Offending Service as shown on page 65 of the Council agenda;
- £137,000 to reduce the savings of £332,000 on the home to school transport budget shown on page 64 of the Council agenda; and
- £137,000 to reduce the savings of £300,000 to be delivered by better commissioning of adult social care services from independent sector providers as shown on page 87 of the Council agenda.

It is proposed that the £400,000 needed to make these changes to the savings proposals will be funded by:

- Removing the £100,000 annual increase in the winter maintenance budget proposed in paragraph 3.46 on page 11 of the Council agenda;
- Reducing the budget for the mowing of grass verges by £100,000. This will reduce the frequency of mowing verges and can be achieved by reducing the overtime budget for this service; and
- Removing the permanent £200,000 youth outreach investment proposed in paragraph 3.44 on page 10 of the Council agenda.

**55.43 The motion was lost.**

**55.44 Green Group Amendment 4**

Allocate one-off resources for the following:

- £40,000 to update the work already undertaken on a future food waste collection service and develop detailed financial and operational proposals for a trial;
- £20,000 to produce a travel plan for the Varndean, Stringer and Balfour campus; and
- £490,000 set aside for Brighton & Hove Seaside Community Homes project (LDV). The aim would be to enable the transfer of around 15 void properties with particularly high renovation costs to the LDV that would otherwise be potentially unviable for the LDV to lease. Any transfer would be subject to a detailed report to Cabinet setting out the full legal and financial implications before implementation.

It is proposed that these allocations totalling £550,000 would be funded by:

- Reducing the allocation to seafront maintenance shown in paragraph 3.45 on page 11 of the Council agenda by £50,000; and
- Removing the £500,000 provision for a new Transport Model for the City shown in paragraph 3.45 on page 11 on the Council agenda.

**55.45 The motion was lost.**

**55.46 Green Group Amendment 5**

Change the resident car parking permit charges to reflect CO2 emissions as detailed below and use the projected income generated of £240,000 in 2010/11 to fund:

- £32,000 to improve downland management through the collection and composting of priority downland areas and bring forward sheep grazing; and

- £208,000 to reduce the £410,000 saving derived from the expansion of personal budgets in Adult Social Care shown on pages 85 and 86 of the Council papers.

Resident permits based on CO2 emissions

The scheme would use a base permit charge of £108.

Proposed resident permit charges from 1 July 2010		
	% variation from flat rate of £108	Cost of permit
Cars registered after 1 March 2001 based on CO2 emissions:		
Band A	-100%	£0
Band B	-50%	£54.00
Band C	-10%	£97.20
Band D	+10%	£118.80
Band E	+30%	£140.40
Band F	+50%	£162.00
Band G	+200%	£324.00
Cars registered before 1 March 2001 based on engine size:		
Less than 1,549cc	-10%	£97.20
1,549cc to 2,274cc	+10%	£118.80
2,275cc to 3,000cc	+30%	£140.40
More than 3,000cc	+200%	£324.00

The introduction of a revised charging scheme will require a Traffic Order Notice with a period of consultation and therefore could not be implemented until 1st July 2010 so the additional income represents 9 months operation for the proposed scheme. In addition provision has been made for one-off costs for advertising and implementation as well as additional administrative costs in verifying the relevant CO2 banding for vehicles.

This proposal is estimated to generate net additional income £240,000 in 2010/11 and £490,000 in a full year.

#### 55.47 The motion was lost.

#### 55.48 Liberal Democrat Group Amendment 1

Introduce an Energy Saving Smart Meter loan scheme in the Library Service. The smart meters monitor household electricity use and help pinpoint areas where savings can be made.

The energy companies are committed to replacing all electricity and gas meters for smart meters over the next 10 years which will provide remote readings and enhanced usage information. Therefore the use of these removable smart meters is more for the short to medium term and so the introduction of this service should not be an ongoing financial commitment.

The initial one-off cost of purchasing 250 units plus additional display stands for the libraries is estimated to be £9,250 with a further £6,750 to provide replacement stock and consumables for future years; £16,000 in total.

It is proposed to fund this new scheme from the £500,000 reserves identified in the supplementary financial information for Budget Council report agenda item 55(b).

**55.49 The motion was carried.**

**55.50 Liberal Democrat Group Amendment 2**

Ensure the buses that operate on the 11X bus service (the council bus) are Disabled Discrimination Act compliant. The additional cost is £5,700 per annum and will be met from tighter restrictions on procurement, particularly fleet.

**55.51 The motion was carried.**

**55.52** The Director of Finance & Resources then outlined the budget position in light of the agreed amendments which impacted on both Item 55(a) and 55(b) appendix 13. She noted that the gross expenditure, and contributions to reserves and the contingency budgets would need to be altered as follows:

Gross expenditure to	£708, 682,967
Contributions to reserves to	£4,332,000
Contribution to contingency to	£4,174,000

**55.53** The Mayor then put the substantive motions for the General Fund Revenue Budget and Council Tax 2009/10 together with the Supplementary Financial Information (Items 55(a) and 55(b)) to the vote.

**55.54 RESOLVED –**

- (1) That subject to (3) below, the 2010/11 General Fund Revenue Budget proposals be approved including;
  - the 2010/11 budget allocations to services as set out in appendix 1 to the report;
  - the investment in services and new allocations proposals as set out in paragraphs 3.42 and 3.46 of the report;
  - the council's budget for 2010/11 of £230.8m;
  - the Directorate budget strategies as set out in appendix 8 to the report;
  - the corporate budgets of £19.3m;
  - the contingency budget of £4.174m as set out in table 6 of the report (as amended);
  - the reserves allocations of £4.332m as set out in appendix 3 to the report, (as amended);

- the borrowing limit of £302m for the year commencing 1<sup>st</sup> April 2010;
  - the annual Minimum Revenue Provision statement as set out in appendix 4 to the report;
  - the prudential indicators as set out in appendix 7 to the report;
- (2) That the Medium Term Financial Strategy budget and resource projections for 2011/12 and 2012/13 as set out in appendix 5 to the report; based on council tax increases of 2.5% for each year be noted;
- (3) That supplementary information needed to set the overall council tax as detailed in paragraph 4.7 of the report (Item 55(b)) and the revised calculations required under the Local Government Finance Act 1992 as shown below be noted;

**CALCULATION OF BRIGHTON AND HOVE'S BUDGET  
REQUIREMENT AND COUNCIL TAX**

**CALCULATIONS REQUIRED UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE ACT 1992**

<b>S32 Expenditure</b>	£	£
Gross Revenue expenditure on Brighton and Hove services	708,682,967	
Contribution to reserves	4,332,000	
Contingency	4,174,000	
Levies and "County-wide" services	173,849	
Special levies	27,184	
Parish precept	<u>27,000</u>	
		717,417,000
<b><u>Income</u></b>		
Fees, charges and specific Government Grants	486,600,000	
		486,600,000
<b>Net Budget Requirement (R)</b>		<b>230,817,000</b>

<b>S33</b> R = Budget requirement		230,817,000
P =		
Formula Grant	13,844,290	
NNDR income	95,340,250	
Previous year surplus/deficit	<u>2,286,357</u>	
Total of P		<u>111,470,897</u>
R - P (Total Council Tax required)		119,346,103
T = Taxbase		94,511.05
(R-P)/T =Basic Council Tax		1,262.77

<b>S34 (i) S34 (2)</b>		
B = Section 33 Calculation		1,262.77
A = Total of Special Items (as defined in S35)		54,184
T = Taxbase		94,511.05
B - (A / T) = Council Tax for areas with no special items		1,262.20
<b>(ii) S34 (3)</b>		
C = Section 34 (2) calculation		1,262.20
S =		
Rottingdean Parish special item		27,000
Hanover Crescent Enclosure Committee special item		6,378
Marine Square Enclosure Committee special item		15,251
Royal Crescent Enclosure Committee special item		5,555
TP =		
Rottingdean Parish taxbase		1,507.30
Hanover Crescent Enclosure Committee taxbase		39.98
Marine Square Enclosure Committee taxbase		79.26
Royal Crescent Enclosure Committee taxbase		30.63
C + (S / TP) = Council Tax for areas with special items:-		
Rottingdean Parish		1,280.11
Hanover Crescent Enclosure Committee		1,421.73
Marine Square Enclosure Committee		1,454.62
Royal Crescent Enclosure Committee		1,443.56

(4) That it be noted that at its meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup> January 2010 the Cabinet calculated the following amounts for the year 2010/2011 in accordance with regulation 3 of the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax base) Regulations 1992 made under Section 33(5) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992;

(a) 94,511.05 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) Parts of the Council's Area

Rottingdean Parish –	1,507.30
Hanover Crescent Enclosure –	39.98
Marine Square Enclosure –	79.26
Royal Crescent Enclosure –	30.63

being the amounts calculated by the Council, in accordance with regulation 6 of the Regulations, as the amounts of its council tax base for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate;

(5) That the following amounts be now calculated by the Council for the year 2010/2011 in accordance with Sections 32 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 ("the Act"):-

£713,014,967 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 net of contingency, levies and "County-wide" services and special items:

Contingency – £4,174,000  
Levies and "County-wide" services:-

£ 60,078 Environment Agency (Flood Defence)  
£113,771 Sussex Sea Fisheries

Special expenses:-

£ 27,000 Rottingdean Parish  
£ 6,378 Hanover Crescent Enclosure Committee  
£ 15,251 Marine Square Enclosure Committee  
£ 5,555 Royal Crescent Enclosure Committee  
£ 54,184 Total of special items

(a) £717,417,000 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 including contingency and special items;

(b) £486,600,000 Income from Fees, Charges and specific Government grants 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) £230,817,000 being the amount by which the aggregate at 2(a) above exceeds the aggregate at 2(b) above, calculated by the Council in accordance with Section 32(4) of the Act as its budget requirement for the year;
- (d) £111,470,897 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 and revenue support grant and decreased by the amount of the sums which the Council estimates will be transferred in the year from its general fund to its collection fund in accordance with section 97(3) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 (Council Tax surplus) and increased by the amount of any sum which the Council estimates will be transferred from its collection fund to its general fund pursuant to directions under section 98(4) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 (Community Charge Surplus);
- (e) £1,262.77 being the amount at 2(c) above less the amount at 2(d) above, all divided by the amount at 1(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) £54,184 being the aggregate amount of all special items referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act;
- (g) £1,262.20 being the amount at 2(e) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 2(f) above by the amount at 1(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 items relates;
- (h) Parts of the Council's area

Rottingdean Parish -	£1,280.11
Hanover Crescent -	£1,421.73
Marine Square -	£1,454.62
Royal Crescent -	£1,443.56

being the amounts given by adding to the amount at 2(g) above the amounts of the special item or items relating to dwellings in those parts of the Council's area mentioned above divided in each case by the amount at 1(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 the dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate;

(i)

Valuation Band: Parts of the Council's area		A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Rottingdean Parish		711.17	853.41	995.64	1,137.88	1,280.11	1,564.58	1,849.05	2,133.52	2,560.22
Hanover Crescent		789.85	947.82	1,105.79	1,263.76	1,421.73	1,737.67	2,053.61	2,369.55	2,843.46
Marine Square		808.12	969.75	1,131.37	1,293.00	1,454.62	1,777.87	2,101.12	2,424.37	2,909.24
Royal Crescent		801.98	962.37	1,122.77	1,283.16	1,443.56	1,764.35	2,085.14	2,405.93	2,887.12
All other parts of the councils area		701.22	841.47	981.71	1,121.96	1,262.20	1,542.69	1,823.18	2,103.67	2,524.40

\*Entitled to disabled relief

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

- (6) That it be noted that for the year 2010/2011 the Sussex Police Authority has stated 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 shown below:-

Valuation Band (£)								
A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
76.90	92.28	107.66	123.04	138.42	169.18	199.94	230.70	276.84

\*Entitled to disabled relief

- (7) That it be noted that for the year 2010/2011 the East Sussex Fire Authority has stated 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 shown below:-

Valuation Band (£)								
A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
45.48	54.57	63.67	72.76	81.86	100.05	118.24	136.43	163.72

\*Entitled to disabled relief

- (8) That having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at 5(i), 6 and 7 above, the Council, in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the following amounts of council tax for the year 2010/2011 for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:-

Valuation Band: Parts of the Council's area	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Rottingdean Parish	833.55	1,000.26	1,166.97	1,333.68	1,500.39	1,833.81	2,167.23	2,500.65	3,000.78
Hanover Crescent	912.23	1,094.67	1,277.12	1,459.56	1,642.01	2,006.90	2,371.79	2,736.68	3,284.02
Marine Square	930.50	1,116.60	1,302.70	1,488.80	1,674.90	2,047.10	2,419.30	2,791.50	3,349.80
Royal Crescent	924.36	1,109.22	1,294.10	1,478.96	1,663.84	2,033.58	2,403.32	2,773.06	3,327.68
All other parts of the councils area	823.60	988.32	1,153.04	1,317.76	1,482.48	1,811.92	2,141.36	2,470.80	2,964.96

\*Entitled to disabled relief

55.55 The Mayor then put the substantive motions for the Capital Resources and Capital Investment Programme for 2010/11 (Item 55(c)) to the vote.

**55.56 RESOLVED –**

- (1) That the Capital Investment Programme for 2010/11 be approved and the estimated resources in future years as detailed in appendix 1 to the report be noted;
- (2) That the allocation of £0.6m resources in 2010/11 for the Strategic Investment Fund and the allocation of Strategic Investment Fund resources as detailed in paragraph 3.23 of the report be agreed;
- (3) That the allocation of £0.435m for the ICT Fund be agreed;
- (4) That the allocation of £1.0m for the Asset Management Fund be agreed; and
- (5) That the potential use of unsupported borrowing as set out in table 6 in the report be agreed.

55.57 The Mayor then put the substantive motions for the Housing Revenue Account Budget (Item 55 (d)) to the vote.

**55.58 RESOLVED –**

- (1) That the Housing Revenue Account Budget for 2010/11, as set out in Appendix 1 to the report be approved;
- (2) That the individual rent increases and decreases in line with rent restructuring principles as determined by the Government be approved; and
- (3) That the changes to fees and charges as detailed in paragraphs 3.14 to 3.23 of the report be approved.

The meeting concluded at 8.10pm

Signed

Chairman

Dated this

day of