

Councillor Gareth Jones (Mayor)

Present (for all or part of the meeting):-

Councillors:

J A Barron	P W Jones
R J Barron	W J Kemp
F Beatty	R Kenney
A R G Brown	P A Leason
R P Cooke	A M Loughran
A G Cooper	B McKeown
B M Cross	A Nixon
M G Dodson	J A Nixon
A P Edgeller	G P K Pardesi
P M M Farrington	A N Pearce
I D Fordham	J M Pert
A T A Godfrey	M Phillips
M Green	J K Price
A S Harp	P Roycroft
A D Hobbs	R M Smith
D Holbrook-Summers	R M Sutherland
M V Holmes	C V Trowbridge
J Hood	M J Winnington
R A James	

Officers in attendance:-

Mr T Clegg	-	Chief Executive
Mr B Kean	-	Head of Finance
Mr W Conaghan	-	Press and Communication Manager
Mr J Dean	-	Democratic Services Officer

C54 Minutes

Minutes of the previous meeting held on 28 January 2020 were submitted and signed.

C55 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors C A Baron and L Nixon.

C56 Announcements

The Mayor thanked all those who had attended the Charity Ball and noted that it had been a successful evening raising over £3,700 for the Mayor's Charity Appeal.

Continuing, the Mayor reported that invitations had been issued for a charity Race Night to be held at the Stafford Polish Club on Friday 6 March 2020.

C57 Notice of Motion

A Notice of Motion pursuant to Paragraph 13 of the Council Procedure Rules has been proposed by Councillor A N Pearce and seconded by Councillor A T A Godfrey as follows:-

'Stafford Borough is fortunate to have a number of sites of biodiversity significance. However the Council recognises the threat to biodiversity posed by global warming, climate change, pollution, excessive use of chemicals and over-intensive development. In addition, the West Coast mainline and the M6 have both suffered loss of trees and other vegetation and the advent of HS2 will create further major losses.

In it's draft Climate Action plan, the review of the Local Plan and in proposed planning guidance on biodiversity, it is seeking the views and support of residents and organisations on ways to combat these threats. In order to create a coherent strategy across the Borough, the Council resolves to work with partners, in particular, Staffordshire Wildlife Trust, to create an agreed Biodiversity Plan for the Borough which all parties are signed up to.'

The Notice of Motion was moved by Councillor Pearce and seconded by Councillor A T A Godfrey.

The Cabinet Member – Economic Development and Planning Portfolio responded to the Notice of Motion as provided for in Paragraph 15 of the Council Procedure Rules by reporting that:

“the Council has already undertaken this work amongst other initiatives with the Wildlife Trust. In 2019 SWT completed work on their Nature Recovery Network Opportunities Map.

The NRN document has mapped all habitats of importance in the Borough and produced maps that indicate opportunities for linking and enhancing these areas. The NRN work will be used as an evidence base in the Council's Local Plan. Additionally, the opportunity map will provide guidance on biodiversity net gain.

The Council has also undertaken the following works with SWT:

- Surveying/mapping the Borough's County Wildlife Sites (Sites of Biological Importance and Biodiversity Alert Sites)
- Funding the "Wild about Stafford" volunteers who undertake monthly conservation work on the Borough's Local Nature Reserves.
- Working on a £1 million funding application with SWT and the Environment Agency for the "Stafford Brooks" project to enhance the many waterways around Stafford.
- A site visit to investigate a potential project to enhance Council land to the east of Stafford along the Sow and Penk, in accordance with the Climate Change Strategy Action Plan.
- A "rewilding" project for the Stone Meadows Local Nature Reserves.

In addition, the Council's new Biodiversity Supplementary Planning Document is now out for consultation. This will provide better guidance to developers when considering habitats and species in planning applications.

Other current work streams include assessing Stafford and Stone's Green Infrastructure - which ties in with work on Green Space allocation in the Local Plan.

The Council is also working on updating its Biodiversity Strategy during 2020. We are waiting for the Government's new Environment Bill to inform the new strategy. In particular, we anticipate advice on Biodiversity Net Gain whereby financial contributions from development will create new habitat. This work will be guided by the Nature Recovery Network document above. The new strategy will look at all the above and hopes to influence how the Council manages its green resources, in accordance with the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act (2006).

We are a major player in protecting Cannock Chase, its national and international ecological and landscape significance. I chair the joint committee supported by our specialist officers. In consequence Cannock Chase has a strong up to date management plan fully in line with EU and national Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Report and Habitats Regulations Assessment were carried out to support our Management Plan Review, published last year.

The MP commits all partners to monitoring and reporting on the conservation status and needs of key species and their habitats throughout the AONB and drawing up actions to address identified threats; also to identify and promote projects that enhance the landscape connectivity, biodiversity resilience and heritage value of countryside and public open space around the Chase.

There are exciting longer term ideas to consider heathland restoration areas on the conifer plantations. Heathlands, like deciduous trees, create invaluable carbon sink - and we are working on that project.”

As the matter was cross cutting, the Cabinet Member - Environment Portfolio, was also invited to respond, which he duly did by noting the continuing work of the Council in developing strategies relating to the issues raised and by quoting from both the Biodiversity Strategy and Draft Climate Strategy of the Council.

At the conclusion of the debate and having been put to the vote the Motion was declared to have fallen.

C58 Offices of Mayor and Deputy Mayor

RESOLVED:- that the Council receive nominations of:-

- (a) Councillor A Nixon for the Office of Mayor for the Municipal Year 2020/21;
- (b) Councillor P W Jones for the Office of Deputy Mayor for the Municipal Year 2020/21.

Councillors Nixon and Jones responded appropriately to the nominations.

C59 Council Tax 2020/21

Considered the report of the Head of Finance proposing the level of Council Tax for 2020/21 inclusive of the County Council, Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner, Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Authority and individual Parish Council requirements.

The Deputy Leader introduced the report and noted the recommendations as set in paragraph 2 before concluding his comments by moving that said recommendations be approved.

The proposal was seconded by Councillor P M M Farrington.

In accordance with Paragraph 17.4(c) of the Council Procedure Rules a recorded vote was taken; voting on the proposal was as follows:-

For	Against	Abstain
J A Barron		R P Cooke
R J Barron		A T A Godfrey
F Beatty		A D Hobbs
A R G Brown		D Holbrook-Summers
A G Cooper		M V Holmes
B M Cross		E G R Jones

M G Dodson
 A P Edgeller
 P M M Farrington
 I D Fordham
 M Green
 A S Harp
 J Hood
 R A James
 P W Jones
 R Kenney
 P A Leason
 B McKeown
 J A Nixon
 J M Pert
 M Phillips
 J K Price
 P Roycroft
 R M Smith
 R M Sutherland
 C V Trowbridge
 M J Winnington

W J Kemp
 A M Loughran
 A Nixon
 G P K Pardesi
 A N Pearce

The Mayor declared that the proposal was duly carried.

RESOLVED:- that the following be approved:-

- 1 It be noted that under the power delegated to the Council's Section 151 Officer, the Council calculated the Council Tax Base 2020/21
 - (a) for the whole Council area as 48,260.69 [Item T in the formula in Section 31B of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended (the "Act")]; and
 - (b) for dwellings in those parts of its area to which a Parish precept relates as shown below

Parish	Taxbase
Adbaston	233.68
Barlaston	1,009.32
Berkswich	792.18
Bradley	216.18
Brocton	554.11
Chebsey	249.42
Church Eaton	286.97
Colwich	1,841.71
Creswell	497.34
Doxey	916.09

Parish	Taxbase
Eccleshall	2,107.91
Ellenhall	61.94
Forton	140.40
Fradswell	84.26
Fulford	2,294.89
Gayton	76.06
Gnosall	2,012.62
Haughton	461.84
High Offley	388.89
Hilderstone	280.05
Hixon	734.41
Hopton and Coton	845.80
Hyde Lea	183.95
Ingestre	86.97
Marston	94.25
Milwich	197.11
Norbury	194.14
Ranton	181.19
Salt and Enson	187.12
Sandon and Burston	164.89
Seighford	773.32
Standon	326.67
Stone Town	6,133.24
Stone Rural	724.91
Stowe by Chartley	189.43
Swynnerton	1,358.50
Tixall	123.43
Weston	479.08
Whitgreave	88.52
Yarnfield and Cold Meece	830.74
	28,403.53
Unparished	
Stafford Town	19,349.16
MOD Contribution in Lieu	508.00
Council Tax Base	48,260.69

- 2 That the Council Tax requirement for the Council's own purposes for 2020/21 (excluding Parish precepts) is calculated at £7,686,480.10.
- 3 That the following amounts are calculated for the year 2020/21 in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992:
 - (a) £48,293,548.56 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(2) of the Act taking into account all precepts issued to it by Parish Councils.
 - (b) £39,438,506.00 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3) of the Act.

- (c) £8,855,042.56 being the amount by which the aggregate at 3(a) above exceeds the aggregate at 3(b) above, calculated by the Council in accordance with Section 31A(4) of the Act as its Council Tax requirement for the year. (Item R in the formula in Section 31B of the Act).
- (d) £183.48 being the amount at 3(c) above (Item R), all divided by Item T (1(a) above), calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31B of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year (including Parish precepts).
- (e) £1,168,562.46 being the aggregate amount of all special items (Parish precepts) referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act.
- (f) £159.27 being the amount at 3(d) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 3(e) above by Item T (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 Parish precept relates.
- (g) For the following parts of the Council's Area

Parish	Band D £ p
Adbaston	172.27
Barlaston	223.87
Berkswich	190.69
Bradley	207.07
Brocton	183.03
Chebsey	184.74
Church Eaton	179.17
Colwich	262.59
Creswell	186.68
Doxey	180.45
Eccleshall	196.37
Ellenhall	162.45
Forton	166.65
Fradswell	173.11
Fulford	179.59
Gayton	208.65
Gnosall	204.23
Haughton	204.13
High Offley	171.64
Hilderstone	197.43
Hixon	199.96
Hopton and Coton	200.88

Parish	Band D £ p
Hyde Lea	191.23
Ingestre	181.86
Marston	159.27
Milwich	179.55
Norbury	178.15
Ranton	182.25
Salt and Enson	199.12
Sandon and Burston	216.51
Seighford	182.39
Standon	185.44
Stone Town	209.92
Stone Rural	179.50
Stowe by Chartley	235.95
Swynnerton	181.07
Tixall	175.07
Weston	228.67
Whitgreave	173.97
Yarnfield and Cold Meece	189.17

being the amounts given by adding to the amount at 3(f) 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 dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate.

(h) For the following parts of the Council's area

Parish	Band A Disabled	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p
Adbaston	95.71	114.85	133.99	153.13	172.27	210.55	248.83	287.12	344.54
Barlaston	124.37	149.25	174.12	199.00	223.87	273.62	323.37	373.12	447.74
Berkswich	105.94	127.13	148.31	169.50	190.69	233.07	275.44	317.82	381.38
Bradley	115.04	138.05	161.05	184.06	207.07	253.09	299.10	345.12	414.14
Brocton	101.68	122.02	142.36	162.69	183.03	223.70	264.38	305.05	366.06
Chebsey	102.63	123.16	143.69	164.21	184.74	225.79	266.85	307.90	369.48
Church Eaton	99.54	119.45	139.35	159.26	179.17	218.99	258.80	298.62	358.34
Colwich	145.88	175.06	204.24	233.41	262.59	320.94	379.30	437.65	525.18
Creswell	103.71	124.45	145.20	165.94	186.68	228.16	269.65	311.13	373.36
Doxey	100.25	120.30	140.35	160.40	180.45	220.55	260.65	300.75	360.90

Parish	Band A Disabled	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p
Eccleshall	109.09	130.91	152.73	174.55	196.37	240.01	283.65	327.28	392.74
Ellenhall	90.25	108.30	126.35	144.40	162.45	198.55	234.65	270.75	324.90
Forton	92.58	111.10	129.62	148.13	166.65	203.68	240.72	277.75	333.30
Fradswell	96.17	115.41	134.64	153.88	173.11	211.58	250.05	288.52	346.22
Fulford	99.77	119.73	139.68	159.64	179.59	219.50	259.41	299.32	359.18
Gayton	115.92	139.10	162.28	185.47	208.65	255.02	301.38	347.75	417.30
Gnosall	113.46	136.15	158.85	181.54	204.23	249.61	295.00	340.38	408.46
Haughton	113.41	136.09	158.77	181.45	204.13	249.49	294.85	340.22	408.26
High Offley	95.36	114.43	133.50	152.57	171.64	209.78	247.92	286.07	343.28
Hilderstone	109.68	131.62	153.56	175.49	197.43	241.30	285.18	329.05	394.86
Hixon	111.09	133.31	155.52	177.74	199.96	244.40	288.83	333.27	399.92
Hopton and Coton	111.60	133.92	156.24	178.56	200.88	245.52	290.16	334.80	401.76
Hyde Lea	106.24	127.49	148.73	169.98	191.23	233.73	276.22	318.72	382.46
Ingestre	101.03	121.24	141.45	161.65	181.86	222.27	262.69	303.10	363.72
Marston	88.48	106.18	123.88	141.57	159.27	194.66	230.06	265.45	318.54
Milwich	99.75	119.70	139.65	159.60	179.55	219.45	259.35	299.25	359.10
Norbury	98.97	118.77	138.56	158.36	178.15	217.74	257.33	296.92	356.30
Ranton	101.25	121.50	141.75	162.00	182.25	222.75	263.25	303.75	364.50
Salt and Enson	110.62	132.75	154.87	177.00	199.12	243.37	287.62	331.87	398.24
Sandon and Burston	120.28	144.34	168.40	192.45	216.51	264.62	312.74	360.85	433.02
Seighford	101.33	121.59	141.86	162.12	182.39	222.92	263.45	303.98	364.78
Standon	103.02	123.63	144.23	164.84	185.44	226.65	267.86	309.07	370.88
Stone	116.62	139.95	163.27	186.60	209.92	256.57	303.22	349.87	419.84
Stone Rural	99.72	119.67	139.61	159.56	179.50	219.39	259.28	299.17	359.00
Stowe-by-Chartley	131.08	157.30	183.52	209.73	235.95	288.38	340.82	393.25	471.90
Swynnerton	100.59	120.71	140.83	160.95	181.07	221.31	261.55	301.78	362.14
Tixall	97.26	116.71	136.17	155.62	175.07	213.97	252.88	291.78	350.14
Weston	127.04	152.45	177.85	203.26	228.67	279.49	330.30	381.12	457.34

Parish	Band A Disabled	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p
Whitgreave	96.65	115.98	135.31	154.64	173.97	212.63	251.29	289.95	347.94
Yarnfield & Cold Meece	105.09	126.11	147.13	168.15	189.17	231.21	273.25	315.28	378.34
All other parts of the Council's area	88.48	106.18	123.88	141.57	159.27	194.66	230.06	265.45	318.54

Being the amounts given by multiplying the amounts at (3)(f) and (3)(g) above by the number by 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.

- 4 To note that the County Council, the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner and the Fire Authority have issued precepts to the Council in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 for each category of dwellings in the Council's area as indicated in the table below.

Valuation Bands

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p
Staffordshire County Council	863.97	1,007.96	1,151.96	1,295.95	1,583.94	1,871.93	2,159.92	2,591.90
Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner	150.06	175.07	200.08	225.09	275.11	325.13	375.15	450.18
Staffordshire Commissioner Fire and Rescue Authority	51.49	60.08	68.66	77.24	94.40	111.57	128.73	154.48

- 5 That the Council, in accordance with Sections 30 and 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the aggregate amounts shown in the table below as the amounts of Council Tax for 2020/21 for each part of its area and for each of the categories of dwellings.

Parish	Band A Disabled	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p
Adbaston	983.64	1,180.37	1,377.10	1,573.83	1,770.55	2,164.00	2,557.46	2,950.92	3,541.10
Barlaston	1,012.30	1,214.77	1,417.23	1,619.70	1,822.15	2,227.07	2,632.00	3,036.92	3,644.30
Berkswich	993.87	1,192.65	1,391.42	1,590.20	1,788.97	2,186.52	2,584.07	2,981.62	3,577.94
Bradley	1,002.97	1,203.57	1,404.16	1,604.76	1,805.35	2,206.54	2,607.73	3,008.92	3,610.70
Brocton	989.61	1,187.54	1,385.47	1,583.39	1,781.31	2,177.15	2,573.01	2,968.85	3,562.62
Chebsey	990.56	1,188.68	1,386.80	1,584.91	1,783.02	2,179.24	2,575.48	2,971.70	3,566.04
Church Eaton	987.47	1,184.97	1,382.46	1,579.96	1,777.45	2,172.44	2,567.43	2,962.42	3,554.90
Colwich	1,033.81	1,240.58	1,447.35	1,654.11	1,860.87	2,274.39	2,687.93	3,101.45	3,721.74
Creswell	991.64	1,189.97	1,388.31	1,586.64	1,784.96	2,181.61	2,578.28	2,974.93	3,569.92
Doxey	988.18	1,185.82	1,383.46	1,581.10	1,778.73	2,174.00	2,569.28	2,964.55	3,557.46
Eccleshall	997.02	1,196.43	1,395.84	1,595.25	1,794.65	2,193.46	2,592.28	2,991.08	3,589.30
Ellenhall	978.18	1,173.82	1,369.46	1,565.10	1,760.73	2,152.00	2,543.28	2,934.55	3,521.46
Forton	980.51	1,176.62	1,372.73	1,568.83	1,764.93	2,157.13	2,549.35	2,941.55	3,529.86
Fradswell	984.10	1,180.93	1,377.75	1,574.58	1,771.39	2,165.03	2,558.68	2,952.32	3,542.78
Fulford	987.70	1,185.25	1,382.79	1,580.34	1,777.87	2,172.95	2,568.04	2,963.12	3,555.74
Gayton	1,003.85	1,204.62	1,405.39	1,606.17	1,806.93	2,208.47	2,610.01	3,011.55	3,613.86
Gnosall	1,001.39	1,201.67	1,401.96	1,602.24	1,802.51	2,203.06	2,603.63	3,004.18	3,605.02
Haughton	1,001.34	1,201.61	1,401.88	1,602.15	1,802.41	2,202.94	2,603.48	3,004.02	3,604.82
High Offley	983.29	1,179.95	1,376.61	1,573.27	1,769.92	2,163.23	2,556.55	2,949.87	3,539.84
Hilderstone	997.61	1,197.14	1,396.67	1,596.19	1,795.71	2,194.75	2,593.81	2,992.85	3,591.42
Hixon	999.02	1,198.83	1,398.63	1,598.44	1,798.24	2,197.85	2,597.46	2,997.07	3,596.48
Hopton and Coton	999.53	1,199.44	1,399.35	1,599.26	1,799.16	2,198.97	2,598.79	2,998.60	3,598.32
Hyde Lea	994.17	1,193.01	1,391.84	1,590.68	1,789.51	2,187.18	2,584.85	2,982.52	3,579.02
Ingestre	988.96	1,186.76	1,384.56	1,582.35	1,780.14	2,175.72	2,571.32	2,966.90	3,560.28
Marston	976.41	1,171.70	1,366.99	1,562.27	1,757.55	2,148.11	2,538.69	2,929.25	3,515.10
Milwich	987.68	1,185.22	1,382.76	1,580.30	1,777.83	2,172.90	2,567.98	2,963.05	3,555.66
Norbury	986.90	1,184.29	1,381.67	1,579.06	1,776.43	2,171.19	2,565.96	2,960.72	3,552.86
Ranton	989.18	1,187.02	1,384.86	1,582.70	1,780.53	2,176.20	2,571.88	2,967.55	3,561.06
Salt and Enson	998.55	1,198.27	1,397.98	1,597.70	1,797.40	2,196.82	2,596.25	2,995.67	3,594.80
Sandon & Burston	1,008.21	1,209.86	1,411.51	1,613.15	1,814.79	2,218.07	2,621.37	3,024.65	3,629.58
Seighford	989.26	1,187.11	1,384.97	1,582.82	1,780.67	2,176.37	2,572.08	2,967.78	3,561.34
Standon	990.95	1,189.15	1,387.34	1,585.54	1,783.72	2,180.10	2,576.49	2,972.87	3,567.44
Stone	1,004.55	1,205.47	1,406.38	1,607.30	1,808.20	2,210.02	2,611.85	3,013.67	3,616.40
Stone Rural	987.65	1,185.19	1,382.72	1,580.26	1,777.78	2,172.84	2,567.91	2,962.97	3,555.56
Stowe-by-Chartley	1,019.01	1,222.82	1,426.63	1,630.43	1,834.23	2,241.83	2,649.45	3,057.05	3,668.46

Parish	Band A Disabled	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p
Swynnerton	988.52	1,186.23	1,383.94	1,581.65	1,779.35	2,174.76	2,570.18	2,965.58	3,558.70
Tixall	985.19	1,182.23	1,379.28	1,576.32	1,773.35	2,167.42	2,561.51	2,955.58	3,546.70
Weston	1,014.97	1,217.97	1,420.96	1,623.96	1,826.95	2,232.94	2,638.93	3,044.92	3,653.90
Whitgreave	984.58	1,181.50	1,378.42	1,575.34	1,772.25	2,166.08	2,559.92	2,953.75	3,544.50
Yarnfield & Cold Meece	993.02	1,191.63	1,390.24	1,588.85	1,787.45	2,184.66	2,581.88	2,979.08	3,574.90
All other parts	976.41	1,171.70	1,366.99	1,562.27	1,757.55	2,148.11	2,538.69	2,929.25	3,515.10

- 6 That it is determined in accordance with Section 52ZB of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 that the Council's basic amount of Council Tax for 2020/21 is not excessive in accordance with the principles determined by the Secretary of State under Section 52ZC of that Act.

C60 **Review of Members Allowances**

Considered the report of the Head of Law and Administration.

The Leader of the Council introduced the report noting its previous consideration at the last meeting of the Council. Councillor Farrington thanked the Head of Law and Administration for the amendments made to his report, and acknowledged the work of the Independent Panel in reaching their findings. The Leader of the Council concluded his comments by moving that the recommendations as set out in paragraph 2 be approved.

The proposal was seconded by Councillor A T A Godfrey.

Members then voted on the recommendations as set out, which were declared to be carried.

- RESOLVED:- that:-
- (a) a scheme of allowances for the period from 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021 be made having regard to the Panel's recommendations set out in the appendix and annex 1 of the report;
 - (b) a Scheme of Members Allowances for use by Parish Councils be made having regard to the Panel's recommendations set out in the appendix and annex 2 of the report;
 - (c) the Head of Law and Administration be requested to convene a further meeting of the Independent Panel within the next 12 months to consider a scheme for 1 April 2021 onwards.

C61 Localism Act 2011 - Pay Policy Statement 2020/21

Considered the report of the Cabinet Member for Resources.

The Deputy Leader of the Council introduced the report and concluded his comments by moving that the recommendations as set out in paragraph 2 be approved.

The proposal was seconded by Councillor R M Sutherland.

Members then voted on the recommendations as set out, which were declared to be carried.

RESOLVED:- that (a) the Pay Policy Statement as set out in the appendix to the report be approved;

(b) publication of the Pay Policy Statement on the Council's website (as required by the Act) be approved.

C62 Temporary Appointments to Creswell Parish Council

Considered the report of the Head of Law and Administration.

The Leader of the Council introduced the report and drew Members attention to paragraph 5.1 before concluding his comments by moving that the recommendations as set out in paragraph 2 be approved.

The proposal was seconded by Councillor A T A Godfrey.

Members then voted on the recommendations as set out, which were declared to be carried.

RESOLVED:- that (a) authority be delegated to the Head of Law and Administration to make an order under section 91 of the Local Government Act 1972 in respect of Creswell Parish Council, in the form of the draft order as set out in the appendix to the report;

(b) an election for all Creswell Parish Council seats be held on 7 May 2020.

MAYOR