

Councillor Tony Nixon (Mayor)

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

Councillors:

C A Baron	E G R Jones
J A Barron	P W Jones
R J Barron	R Kenney
F Beatty	P A Leason
A R G Brown	A M Loughran
R P Cooke	D McNaughton
A G Cooper	J A Nixon
M G Dodson	L Nixon
A P Edgeller	G P K Pardesi
P M M Farrington	A N Pearce
A T A Godfrey	J M Pert
A S Harp	M Phillips
A D Hobbs	J K Price
M V Holmes	R M Smith
J Hood	C V Trowbridge
R A James	M J Winnington

Officers in attendance:-

Mr T Clegg	-	Chief Executive
Mr I Curran	-	Head of Law and Administration
Mr W Conaghan	-	Press and Communication Manager
Mr A Bailey	-	Scrutiny Officer

**C58 Minutes**

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 1 February 2022 were agreed as a true and correct record.

**C59 Apologies**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors B M Cross, I D Fordham, M Green, W J Kemp, B McKeown, P Roycroft, and R M Sutherland.

**C60 Announcements**

**(a) Mayor's Civic Dinner - Friday 29 April 2022**

The Mayor announced that he would be hosting a Civic Dinner on Friday 29 April in the Oak Room at County Buildings. Invitations would be sent out shortly.

**C61 Offices of Mayor and Deputy Mayor**

RESOLVED:- that the Council receive nominations of:-

- (a) Councillor P A Leason for the Office of Mayor for the Municipal Year 2022/23;
- (b) Councillor P W Jones for the Office of Deputy Mayor for the Municipal Year 2022/23.

**C62 Council Tax 2022/23**

Considered the report of the Head of Finance proposing the level of Council Tax for 2022/23 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 out in paragraph 2 before concluding his comments by moving that said recommendations be approved.

The proposal was seconded by Councillor J M Pert.

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

<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
C A Baron		R P Cooke
J A Barron		A T A Godfrey
R J Barron		A D Hobbs
F Beatty		M V Holmes
A R G Brown		A M Loughran
A G Cooper		D McNaughton
M G Dodson		A Nixon
A P Edgeller		L Nixon
P M M Farrington		G P K Pardesi
A S Harp		A N Pearce
J Hood		
R A James		
E G R Jones		
P W Jones		
R Kenney		

<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
P A Leason		
J A Nixon		
J M Pert		
M Phillips		
J K Price		
R M Smith		
C V Trowbridge		
M J Winnington		

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 2022/23
  - (a) ***for the whole Council area as 48,490.39 [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	222.07
Barlaston	1,031.43
Berkswich	798.51
Bradley	223.68
Brocton	557.62
Chebsey	254.97
Church Eaton	286.75
Colwich	1,844.65
Creswell	660.47
Doxey	1,006.63
Eccleshall	2,168.75
Ellenhall	61.48
Forton	141.62
Fradswell	86.53
Fulford	2,319.10
Gayton	74.35
Gnosall	2,030.86
Haughton	459.86
High Offley	391.04
Hilderstone	272.08
Hixon	745.16
Hopton and Coton	858.42
Hyde Lea	188.22
Ingestre	85.73

<b>Parish</b>	<b>Taxbase</b>
Marston	89.49
Milwich	201.00
Norbury	202.12
Ranton	183.17
Salt and Enson	193.49
Sandon and Burston	163.64
Seighford	778.42
Standon	337.61
Stone Town	6,296.62
Stone Rural	732.59
Stowe by Chartley	196.79
Swynnerton	1,364.49
Tixall	130.03
Weston	480.17
Whitgreave	90.15
Yarnfield and Cold Meece	824.50
	<b>29,034.26</b>
<b>Unparished</b>	
Stafford Town	18,977.63
MOD Contribution in Lieu	478.50
<b>Council Tax Base</b>	<b>48,490.39</b>

- 2 That the Council Tax requirement for the Council's own purposes for 2022/23 (excluding Parish precepts) is calculated at £8,019,520.00.
- 3 That the following amounts are calculated for the year 2022/23 in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992:
  - (a) £46,621,211.17 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) £37,325,690.00 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3) of the Act.
  - (c) £9,295,521.17 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) £191.70 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) £1,276,001.17 being the aggregate amount of all special items (Parish precepts) referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act.
- (f) £165.38 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

<b>Parish</b>	<b>Band D £ p</b>
Adbaston	179.88
Barlaston	228.79
Berkswich	197.69
Bradley	218.73
Brocton	190.95
Chebsey	190.65
Church Eaton	185.52
Colwich	255.15
Creswell	191.50
Doxey	187.03
Eccleshall	201.88
Ellenhall	169.36
Forton	172.49
Fradswell	182.28
Fulford	207.00
Gayton	214.75
Gnosall	214.79
Haughton	211.17
High Offley	177.67
Hilderstone	208.11
Hixon	208.97
Hopton and Coton	208.96
Hyde Lea	200.47
Ingestre	195.90
Marston	165.38
Milwich	189.74
Norbury	184.26
Ranton	189.34
Salt and Enson	205.51
Sandon and Burston	223.37
Seighford	189.66
Standon	196.63
Stone Town	221.89
Stone Rural	185.64

<b>Parish</b>	<b>Band D £ p</b>
Stowe by Chartley	239.57
Swynnerton	187.67
Tixall	185.35
Weston	236.61
Whitgreave	180.18
Yarnfield and Cold Meece	196.79

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

<b>Parish</b>	<b>Band A Disabled £ p</b>	<b>Band A £ p</b>	<b>Band B £ p</b>	<b>Band C £ p</b>	<b>Band D £ p</b>	<b>Band E £ p</b>	<b>Band F £ p</b>	<b>Band G £ p</b>	<b>Band H £ p</b>
Adbaston	99.93	119.92	139.91	159.89	179.88	219.85	259.83	299.80	359.76
Barlaston	127.11	152.53	177.95	203.37	228.79	279.63	330.47	381.32	457.58
Berkswich	109.83	131.79	153.76	175.72	197.69	241.62	285.55	329.48	395.38
Bradley	121.52	145.82	170.12	194.43	218.73	267.34	315.94	364.55	437.46
Brocton	106.08	127.30	148.52	169.73	190.95	233.38	275.82	318.25	381.90
Chebsey	105.92	127.10	148.28	169.47	190.65	233.02	275.38	317.75	381.30
Church Eaton	103.07	123.68	144.29	164.91	185.52	226.75	267.97	309.20	371.04
Colwich	141.75	170.10	198.45	226.80	255.15	311.85	368.55	425.25	510.30
Creswell	106.39	127.67	148.94	170.22	191.50	234.06	276.61	319.17	383.00
Doxey	103.91	124.69	145.47	166.25	187.03	228.59	270.15	311.72	374.06
Eccleshall	112.16	134.59	157.02	179.45	201.88	246.74	291.60	336.47	403.76
Ellenhall	94.09	112.91	131.72	150.54	169.36	207.00	244.63	282.27	338.72
Forton	95.83	114.99	134.16	153.32	172.49	210.82	249.15	287.48	344.98
Fradswell	101.27	121.52	141.77	162.03	182.28	222.79	263.29	303.80	364.56
Fulford	115.00	138.00	161.00	184.00	207.00	253.00	299.00	345.00	414.00
Gayton	119.31	143.17	167.03	190.89	214.75	262.47	310.19	357.92	429.50
Gnosall	119.33	143.19	167.06	190.92	214.79	262.52	310.25	357.98	429.58
Haughton	117.32	140.78	164.24	187.71	211.17	258.10	305.02	351.95	422.34
High Offley	98.71	118.45	138.19	157.93	177.67	217.15	256.63	296.12	355.34
Hilderstone	115.62	138.74	161.86	184.99	208.11	254.36	300.60	346.85	416.22
Hixon	116.09	139.31	162.53	185.75	208.97	255.41	301.85	348.28	417.94
Hopton and Coton	116.09	139.31	162.52	185.74	208.96	255.40	301.83	348.27	417.92
Hyde Lea	111.37	133.65	155.92	178.20	200.47	245.02	289.57	334.12	400.94
Ingestre	108.83	130.60	152.37	174.13	195.90	239.43	282.97	326.50	391.80
Marston	91.88	110.25	128.63	147.00	165.38	202.13	238.88	275.63	330.76

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
Milwich	105.41	126.49	147.58	168.66	189.74	231.90	274.07	316.23	379.48
Norbury	102.37	122.84	143.31	163.79	184.26	225.21	266.15	307.10	368.52
Ranton	105.19	126.23	147.26	168.30	189.34	231.42	273.49	315.57	378.68
Salt and Enson	114.17	137.01	159.84	182.68	205.51	251.18	296.85	342.52	411.02
Sandon and Burston	124.09	148.91	173.73	198.55	223.37	273.01	322.65	372.28	446.74
Seighford	105.37	126.44	147.51	168.59	189.66	231.81	273.95	316.10	379.32
Standon	109.24	131.09	152.93	174.78	196.63	240.33	284.02	327.72	393.26
Stone	123.27	147.93	172.58	197.24	221.89	271.20	320.51	369.82	443.78
Stone Rural	103.13	123.76	144.39	165.01	185.64	226.89	268.15	309.40	371.28
Stowe-by-Chartley	133.09	159.71	186.33	212.95	239.57	292.81	346.05	399.28	479.14
Swynnerton	104.26	125.11	145.97	166.82	187.67	229.37	271.08	312.78	375.34
Tixall	102.97	123.57	144.16	164.76	185.35	226.54	267.73	308.92	370.70
Weston	131.45	157.74	184.03	210.32	236.61	289.19	341.77	394.35	473.22
Whitgreave	100.10	120.12	140.14	160.16	180.18	220.22	260.26	300.30	360.36
Yarnfield and Cold Meece	109.33	131.19	153.06	174.92	196.79	240.52	284.25	327.98	393.58
All other parts of the Council's area	91.88	110.25	128.63	147.00	165.38	202.13	238.88	275.63	330.76

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

	<b>A</b> £ p	<b>B</b> £ p	<b>C</b> £ p	<b>D</b> £ p	<b>E</b> £ p	<b>F</b> £ p	<b>G</b> £ p	<b>H</b> £ p
Staffordshire County Council	934.20	1,089.90	1,245.60	1,401.30	1,712.70	2,024.10	2,335.50	2,802.60
Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner	165.71	193.33	220.95	248.57	303.81	359.05	414.28	497.14
Stoke-on-Trent and Staffs Fire Authority	53.57	62.49	71.42	80.35	98.21	116.06	133.92	160.70

- 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 2022/23 for each part of its area and for each of the categories of dwellings.

<b>Parish</b>	<b>Band A Disabled</b>	<b>Band A</b>	<b>Band B</b>	<b>Band C</b>	<b>Band D</b>	<b>Band E</b>	<b>Band F</b>	<b>Band G</b>	<b>Band H</b>
	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p	£ p
Adbaston	1,061.16	1,273.40	1,485.63	1,697.86	1,910.10	2,334.57	2,759.04	3,183.50	3,820.20
Barlaston	1,088.34	1,306.01	1,523.67	1,741.34	1,959.01	2,394.35	2,829.68	3,265.02	3,918.02
Berkswich	1,071.06	1,285.27	1,499.48	1,713.69	1,927.91	2,356.34	2,784.76	3,213.18	3,855.82
Bradley	1,082.75	1,299.30	1,515.84	1,732.40	1,948.95	2,382.06	2,815.15	3,248.25	3,897.90
Brocton	1,067.31	1,280.78	1,494.24	1,707.70	1,921.17	2,348.10	2,775.03	3,201.95	3,842.34
Chebsey	1,067.15	1,280.58	1,494.00	1,707.44	1,920.87	2,347.74	2,774.59	3,201.45	3,841.74
Church Eaton	1,064.30	1,277.16	1,490.01	1,702.88	1,915.74	2,341.47	2,767.18	3,192.90	3,831.48
Colwich	1,102.98	1,323.58	1,544.17	1,764.77	1,985.37	2,426.57	2,867.76	3,308.95	3,970.74
Creswell	1,067.62	1,281.15	1,494.66	1,708.19	1,921.72	2,348.78	2,775.82	3,202.87	3,843.44
Doxey	1,065.14	1,278.17	1,491.19	1,704.22	1,917.25	2,343.31	2,769.36	3,195.42	3,834.50
Eccleshall	1,073.39	1,288.07	1,502.74	1,717.42	1,932.10	2,361.46	2,790.81	3,220.17	3,864.20
Ellenhall	1,055.32	1,266.39	1,477.44	1,688.51	1,899.58	2,321.72	2,743.84	3,165.97	3,799.16
Forton	1,057.06	1,268.47	1,479.88	1,691.29	1,902.71	2,325.54	2,748.36	3,171.18	3,805.42
Fradswell	1,062.50	1,275.00	1,487.49	1,700.00	1,912.50	2,337.51	2,762.50	3,187.50	3,825.00
Fulford	1,076.23	1,291.48	1,506.72	1,721.97	1,937.22	2,367.72	2,798.21	3,228.70	3,874.44
Gayton	1,080.54	1,296.65	1,512.75	1,728.86	1,944.97	2,377.19	2,809.40	3,241.62	3,889.94
Gnosall	1,080.56	1,296.67	1,512.78	1,728.89	1,945.01	2,377.24	2,809.46	3,241.68	3,890.02
Houghton	1,078.55	1,294.26	1,509.96	1,725.68	1,941.39	2,372.82	2,804.23	3,235.65	3,882.78
High Offley	1,059.94	1,271.93	1,483.91	1,695.90	1,907.89	2,331.87	2,755.84	3,179.82	3,815.78
Hilderstone	1,076.85	1,292.22	1,507.58	1,722.96	1,938.33	2,369.08	2,799.81	3,230.55	3,876.66
Hixon	1,077.32	1,292.79	1,508.25	1,723.72	1,939.19	2,370.13	2,801.06	3,231.98	3,878.38
Hopton and Coton	1,077.32	1,292.79	1,508.24	1,723.71	1,939.18	2,370.12	2,801.04	3,231.97	3,878.36
Hyde Lea	1,072.60	1,287.13	1,501.64	1,716.17	1,930.69	2,359.74	2,788.78	3,217.82	3,861.38



Ingestre	1,070.06	1,284.08	1,498.09	1,712.10	1,926.12	2,354.15	2,782.18	3,210.20	3,852.24
Marston	1,053.11	1,263.73	1,474.35	1,684.97	1,895.60	2,316.85	2,738.09	3,159.33	3,791.20
Milwich	1,066.64	1,279.97	1,493.30	1,706.63	1,919.96	2,346.62	2,773.28	3,199.93	3,839.92
Norbury	1,063.60	1,276.32	1,489.03	1,701.76	1,914.48	2,339.93	2,765.36	3,190.80	3,828.96
Ranton	1,066.42	1,279.71	1,492.98	1,706.27	1,919.56	2,346.14	2,772.70	3,199.27	3,839.12
Salt and Enson	1,075.40	1,290.49	1,505.56	1,720.65	1,935.73	2,365.90	2,796.06	3,226.22	3,871.46
Sandon & Burston	1,085.32	1,302.39	1,519.45	1,736.52	1,953.59	2,387.73	2,821.86	3,255.98	3,907.18
Seighford	1,066.60	1,279.92	1,493.23	1,706.56	1,919.88	2,346.53	2,773.16	3,199.80	3,839.76
Standon	1,070.47	1,284.57	1,498.65	1,712.75	1,926.85	2,355.05	2,783.23	3,211.42	3,853.70
Stone	1,084.50	1,301.41	1,518.30	1,735.21	1,952.11	2,385.92	2,819.72	3,253.52	3,904.22
Stone Rural	1,064.36	1,277.24	1,490.11	1,702.98	1,915.86	2,341.61	2,767.36	3,193.10	3,831.72
Stowe-by-Chartley	1,094.32	1,313.19	1,532.05	1,750.92	1,969.79	2,407.53	2,845.26	3,282.98	3,939.58
Swynnerton	1,065.49	1,278.59	1,491.69	1,704.79	1,917.89	2,344.09	2,770.29	3,196.48	3,835.78
Tixall	1,064.20	1,277.05	1,489.88	1,702.73	1,915.57	2,341.26	2,766.94	3,192.62	3,831.14
Weston	1,092.68	1,311.22	1,529.75	1,748.29	1,966.83	2,403.91	2,840.98	3,278.05	3,933.66
Whitgreave	1,061.33	1,273.60	1,485.86	1,698.13	1,910.40	2,334.94	2,759.47	3,184.00	3,820.80
Yarnfield & Cold Meece	1,070.56	1,284.67	1,498.78	1,712.89	1,927.01	2,355.24	2,783.46	3,211.68	3,854.02
All other parts	1,053.11	1,263.73	1,474.35	1,684.97	1,895.60	2,316.85	2,738.09	3,159.33	3,791.20

- 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 2022/23 is not excessive in accordance with the principles determined by the Secretary of State under Section 52ZC of that Act.

### **C63 Localism Act 2011 - Pay Policy Statement 2022/2023**

Considered the report of the Cabinet Member, Resources Portfolio.

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 A T A Godfrey.

The matter was then put to the vote and subsequently 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.

**C64 Waiver of 6 Month Councillor Attendance Rule**

Considered the report of the Head of Law and Administration (V3 09/02/22) that was aimed at preventing the disqualification of a member who will be unable to attend a meeting within a 6 month period due to ill-health.

Councillor J Hood introduced the report and noted the recommendations as set out in paragraph 2 before concluding her comments by moving that said recommendations be approved.

The proposal was seconded by Councillor R Kenney.

The Leader of the Council wished Councillor Mark Green a full and speedy recovery on behalf of all of the Council.

Members of the Council then voted on the proposal as set out, which was declared to be carried.

RESOLVED:- That the requirements of section 85 of the Local Government Act 1972 be waived, in respect of Councillor Mark Green, until August 2022.

MAYOR