

**COUNCIL TAX SETTING COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 4 MARCH 2013**

Present: Councillors Alistair Norwood; Gillian Troughton; Elaine Woodburn

Officers: Darienne Law, Head of Corporate Resources, Angela Brown Accountant; Denise James Member Services Officer

**CTST 01 Appointment of Chairman**

It was moved by Councillor Alistair Norwood duly seconded and

**RESOLVED** – That Councillor Elaine Woodburn be appointed Chairman for the meeting.

**CTSC 02 Declarations of Interests**

Councillors Alistair Norwood; Gillian Troughton and Elaine Woodburn declared Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in Agenda Item 6 - Council Tax 2013. It was noted that a dispensation in place which enabled Members to participate fully in the consideration of this item.

**CTSC 03 Council Tax 2013/14**

At the meeting of Council held on the 21 February 2012 Members noted that the Police and Crime Commissioners tax requirements had not been received and resolved to establish a special committee specifically for this purpose under section 67(3) Local Government & Finance Act 1992. **(C 90 210213 refers)**

Consideration was given to a report setting out the proposed Council Tax for 2013/14 taking account of the precept requirements of Cumbria County Council, Cumbria Police Authority and Parish Councils

**RESOLVED** – That a) the Council Tax requirement for its own purposes and the precept notified to it by Cumbria County Council; the Cumbria Police Authority and individual Parish precepts as contained in the report be noted; and

b) the level of Council Tax for the year be approved as appended to these minutes

The meeting closed at 11.50am

Chairman

**The Council Tax Setting Committee is recommended to resolve as follows:**

1. It be noted that on 31 January 2013 the Council calculated the Council Tax Base for 2013/14;
  - (a) For the whole Council area as **19,540.33** [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 in the attached **Appendix C**.
2. The Council Tax Requirement calculated for the Council's own purposes for 2013/14 (excluding Parish precepts) is **£3,589,363**.
3. That the following amounts be calculated for the year 2013/14 in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Act:
  - (a) **£42,350,576** 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) **£38,307,425** being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A (3) of the Act.
  - (c) **£4,043,151** 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) **£206.91** 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) **£453,788** being the aggregate amount of all Parish Precepts referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act (as per the attached Appendix C).
  - (f) **£183.69** 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.

Copeland Borough Council's Council Tax Requirement split by each category of dwelling is shown in the following table;

Council Tax Requirement £	Band A £	Band B £	Band C £	Band D £	Band E £	Band F £	Band G £	Band H £
3,589,363	122.46	142.87	163.28	183.69	224.51	265.33	306.15	367.38

The Council's basic amount of Council Tax for 2013/14 at £183.69 is increased from the level set in 2012/13.

4. To note that the County Council and the Cumbria Police and Crime Commissioner 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.

#### Cumbria County Council

Precept £	Band A £	Band B £	Band C £	Band D £	Band E £	Band F £	Band G £	Band H £
22,696,093	774.33	903.39	1,032.44	1,161.50	1,419.61	1,677.72	1,935.83	2,323.00

#### Cumbria Police & Crime Commissioner

Precept £	Band A £	Band B £	Band C £	Band D £	Band E £	Band F £	Band G £	Band H £
3,999,124	136.44	159.18	181.92	204.66	250.14	295.62	341.10	409.32

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 tables overleaf as the amounts of Council Tax for 2013/14 for each part of its area and for each of the categories of dwellings.