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Dear Councillor

COUNCIL - THURSDAY 27TH FEBRUARY, 2020

I refer to the agenda for the above meeting and now enclose the following documents that were unavailable when the agenda was published.

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11	Revenue and Capital Budget Plan 2020/21 – 2022/23 and Council Tax 2020/21 (Pages 378 - 391) Update Note of the Chief Executive and the Executive Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services Revised Appendix B - Council Budget Summary 2020/2021 Addendum to Appendix C – Sefton MBC Fees and Charges 2020/2021 Revised Appendix D - Forecast Capital Programme 2020/21 to 2021/22

Yours faithfully,

DAVID McCULLOUGH

Chief Legal and Democratic Officer

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Council – 27 February 2020

Revenue and Capital Budget Plan 2020/21 – 2022/23 and Council Tax 2020/21 – Update

1. Introduction

- 1.1. The Council is legally required to agree its budget and set a Council Tax for 2020/21 on or before 10 March 2020.
- 1.2. This paper provides final information on the level of resource required by levying bodies, plus agreed precepts from the Police & Crime Commissioner, Liverpool City Region Combined Authority (Mayoral Precept) and local parish councils. The Fire & Rescue Authority are not due to meet until 1.00pm on 27 February 2020 to agree their precept. Therefore, the information contained within the report is based on the precept being recommended for approval by the Fire and Rescue Authority. This report will be updated and re-published immediately following confirmation being received from them.
- 1.3. The recommendation to Council on the Authority's Budget and Council Tax level for 2020/21 is contained on the main agenda. Assuming this is approved unaltered at the Budget Council meeting, and the Fire and Rescue Authority confirm their precept at the same level assumed; the overall Council Tax level for 2020/21 is set out below. A formal resolution for Council, based on these figures, will be published as an Appendix immediately following confirmation being received from the Fire & Rescue Authority. If any amendments to the proposed Council Tax level for 2020/21 are made at the Budget Council meeting, a new Council Tax Resolution will be circulated.

2. Charges relating to External / Levying Bodies

- 2.1. The Council is required to pay charges relating to levies from external bodies. The expected amounts to be paid in 2020/21, and their impact on Sefton's budget compared to 2019/20, is shown in the table below: -

<u>Levying Body</u>	<u>2019/20</u>	<u>2020/21</u>	<u>Change</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Liverpool City Region Combined Authority (LCRCA) - Transport Levy	18,490,000	18,851,000	361,000
Recycling and Waste Authority	15,442,157	15,622,453	180,296
Environment Agency	157,430	159,713	2,283
Inshore Fisheries & Conservation Authority	66,723	68,057	1,334
Port Health Authority	27,000	94,500	67,500
	34,183,310	34,795,723	612,413

3. Precepts

3.1. Police & Crime Commissioner and Fire & Rescue Precepts

The Police and Crime Commissioner set a budget / precept on 18 February 2020, with a Band C increase of 4.95% (or £10 on a Band D property). The Fire and Rescue Authority is due to set its budget / precept for 2020/21 on 27 February 2020; with a Band C increase of 1.98% being recommended for approval by the Authority. This report will be updated and re-published immediately following confirmation being received from them.

	Precept			Band C		
	2019/20	2020/21	Change	2019/20	2020/21	Change
	£	£	£	£	£	%
Police	16,981,090	17,997,190	1,016,100	179.53	188.42	4.95
Fire	6,628,654	6,826,314	197,660	70.08	71.47	1.98

3.2. LCRCA Mayoral Precept

To be able to deliver the Mayor's key priorities in 2020/21 a Mayoral Precept is levied on Council Taxpayers across the region, with no increase in the charge approved at the Authority's meeting on 24 January 2020.

	Precept			Band C		
	2019/20	2020/21	Change	2019/20	2020/21	Change
	£	£	£	£	£	%
Mayoral	1,597,463	1,613,184	15,721	16.89	16.89	0.00

3.3. Parishes

The Parish precepts and variations are highlighted below: -

	Precept			Band C		
	2019/20	2020/21	Change	2019/20	2020/21	Change
	£	£	£	£	£	%
Aintree Village	114,100	153,196	39,096	49.07	65.56	33.61
Formby	91,032	91,689	657	8.85	8.85	0.00
Hightown	5,460	9,000	3,540	5.57	9.16	64.45
Ince Blundell	2,009	2,400	391	10.68	12.52	17.23
Little Altcar	3,326	3,319	-7	8.85	8.85	0.00
Lydiate	156,606	166,002	9,396	67.40	71.22	5.67
Maghull	652,974	701,280	48,306	87.32	92.12	5.50
Melling	35,000	36,050	1,050	30.84	31.58	2.40
Sefton	7,000	10,000	3,000	25.96	37.48	44.38
Thornton	5,000	6,000	1,000	5.77	6.76	17.16
	1,072,507	1,178,936				

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4. Summary of Budget Proposals for 2020/21

- 4.1. As a result of the information contained within the main report and this update the bridging of the 2020/21 funding gap is shown as follows:

	2020/21
	£'m
Government Funding	-7.094
Key MTFP updated assumptions	12.010
Non-Recurring Savings	4.229
Revised MTFP Funding Gap	9.145
Potential Budget Options	-6.558
Potential Additions to the Budget	4.030
Potential Additional Funding	-1.298
Revised MTFP Funding Gap – excluding Council Tax	5.319
Council Tax – Core increase (1.99%)	-2.653
Adult Social Care Precept (2.00%)	-2.666
Balanced Budget	0.000

A summary of the budget for 2020/21 is shown in a revised Appendix B.

5. Recommended Council Tax for 2020/21

- 5.1. Council are recommended to approve the Budget for 2020/21, as set out in the main report.
- 5.2. The recommended overall Band C Council Tax to be raised for 2020/21 (excluding Parish Precepts) is as follows: -

	2019/20	2020/21	Increase
	£	£	%
Sefton	1,395.82	1,451.58	3.99
Police & Crime Commissioner	179.53	188.42	4.95
Fire & Rescue Authority	70.08	71.47	1.98
Mayoral Precept	16.89	16.89	0.00
	1,662.32	1,728.36	3.97

6. Fees and Charges 2020/21

- 6.1. At the time of publishing the report there were a small number of fees and charges that were still to be determined. These have now been determined and are shown in an addendum to Appendix C.

7. Capital Programme 2020/21 – 2021/22 - Update

- 7.1. An additional scheme was approved by Cabinet on 6 February 2020. The scheme is included in the overall Capital Programme, shown in a revised Appendix D, to be approved by Budget Council.

Stephan Van Arendsen
Executive Director Corporate Resources and Customer Services

Council Budget Summary 2020/2021

Appendix B (Revised)

Line Ref	Service	Base Budget 2019/2020 £	Draft Base Budget 2020/2021 £
1	Strategic Management	3,186,900	3,336,900
2	Strategic Support	2,708,700	2,742,700
3	Adult Social Care	96,764,600	98,764,600
4	Children's Social Care	33,339,650	35,569,650
5	Communities	19,518,250	19,518,250
6	Corporate Resources	5,893,450	5,838,450
7	Economic Growth and Housing	6,044,850	6,044,850
8	Education Excellence	9,858,550	10,358,550
9	Health and Wellbeing	18,060,350	18,590,350
10	Highways and Public Protection	11,132,800	11,213,800
11	Locality Services	13,808,800	13,910,800
12	Public Sector Reform Projects - Budget Planning Assumptions still to be allocated to Services	-949,500	0
13	Other Services	3,122,000	3,122,000
14	Net Cost of Services	222,489,400	229,010,900
15	Debt Repayment / Net Interest	7,400,800	8,001,800
16	Sub total	229,890,200	237,012,700
17	Budget Pressure Fund	1,000,000	1,000,000
18	Levies	34,156,300	34,701,200
19	Application of Provisions / Reserves / Corporate Expenditure	1,308,750	1,508,750
20	Capitalisation	-2,849,000	-1,566,000
21	Corporate / One-Off Savings	-2,451,101	609,694
22	Inflationary Items to be Allocated	-417,994	4,050,000
23	Corporate Savings to be allocated to Services	-518,300	-8,098,300
24	Total	260,118,855	269,218,044
25	Specific Government Grants	-20,810,000	-21,360,000
26	Non-Specific Government Grants	-20,169,358	-24,652,343
27	Total	219,139,497	223,205,701

Council Budget Summary 2020/2021

Line Ref	Service	Base Budget 2019/2020 £	Draft Base Budget 2020/2021 £
28	Increase in General Balances	0	1,500,000
29	Total Budget Requirement	219,139,497	224,705,701
30	Add Parish Precepts	1,072,507	1,178,936
31	Total Net Expenditure	220,212,004	225,884,637
<u>SUMMARY OF GENERAL BALANCES</u>			
32	Balances Brought Forward	7,538,555	7,538,555
33	Increase in Balances	0	1,500,000
34	Balances Carried Forward	7,538,555	9,038,555

<u>FINANCING OF SEFTON'S BUDGET REQUIREMENT</u>			
Total Budget Requirement		219,139,497	224,705,701
Less: Revenue Support Grant		0	0
Top-Up Grant		-19,627,987	-21,248,829
Business Rates Receipts		-66,489,370	-66,779,364
Collection Fund Deficit / Surplus (-) - Council Tax		-995,556	1,973,925
Sefton Requirement from Council Tax		<u>132,026,584</u>	<u>138,651,433</u>
Band D Council Tax		1,570.30	1,633.03
Illustrative Council Tax Increase			3.99%

SEFTON MBC FEES AND CHARGES 2020/21

Appendix C (Addendum)

Economic Growth and Housing					
Service Details	VAT Rate	Current Charge 2019/20	Charge if increased by CPI inflation (*) 2020/21	2020/21 Charge	2020/21 Increase
		£	£	£	£
Housing Standards					
HMO Licensing Mandatory					
HMO Licensing Fees are currently subject to consultation and confirmation of future arrangements. They will be issued for 5 years (rather than 3) and there is an additional fee for larger HMOs.					
A first application for a licence with up to 6 units of accommodation	O	850.00	862.75	850.00	0.00
For the renewal of an existing licence made before the current licence expires	O	800.00	812.00	800.00	0.00
Where an application for the renewal of an existing licence is made after the expiry of the current licence	O	850.00	862.75	850.00	0.00
Additional Unit Fees (An additional unit charge will be added to all properties with over 6 units of accommodation)					
For 7 - 12 units of accommodation	O	150.00	152.25	150.00	0.00
For 30 - 20 units of accommodation	O	250.00	253.75	250.00	0.00
For 21+ units of accommodation	O	350.00	355.25	350.00	0.00
Discount for accreditation	O	150.00	152.25	150.00	0.00
Additional HMO Scheme (5 years from March 2018)					
Full Fee		850.00	862.75	850.00	0.00
Additional Unit Fees (An additional unit charge will be added to all properties with over 6 units of accommodation)					
For 7 - 12 units of accommodation	O	150.00	152.25	150.00	0.00
For 13 - 20 units of accommodation	O	250.00	253.75	250.00	0.00
For 21+ units of accommodation	O	350.00	355.25	350.00	0.00
Discount for accreditation	O	150.00	152.25	150.00	0.00
Discount for Accredited Managing Agent (licence holder)	O	200.00	203.00	200.00	0.00
Discount Early Bird application	O	50.00	50.75	50.00	0.00
Red Rose Caravan Park, Broad Lane, Formby - Pitch Rent					
Single Pitch per week	E	72.10	73.18	73.20	1.10
Double Pitch per week	E	79.20	80.39	80.40	1.20
Single let as double per week	E	75.80	76.94	77.00	1.20
S Standard Rated (20%) E Exempt O Outside the scope N Zero Rated					

(*) CPI Inflation rate @ November 2019

1.50%

Economic Growth and Housing

Service Details	VAT Rate	Current Charge 2019/20	Charge if increased by CPI inflation (*) 2020/21	2020/21 Charge	2020/21 Increase
		£	£	£	£
Selective Licensing Scheme (5 years from March 2018)					
Full Fee	O	695.00	705.43	695.00	0.00
Additional Unit Fees (An additional unit charge will be added to all properties with over 6 units of accommodation)					
For 7 - 12 units of accommodation	O	150.00	152.25	150.00	0.00
For 13 - 20 units of accommodation	O	250.00	253.75	250.00	0.00
For 21+ units of accommodation	O	350.00	355.25	350.00	0.00
Discount for accreditation	O	150.00	152.25	150.00	0.00
Discount for Accredited Managing Agent (licence holder)	O	200.00	203.00	200.00	0.00
Discount for Early Bird application	O	75.00	76.13	75.00	0.00
Supply of Reports/Information					
Statement of Facts	S	133.50	135.50	135.50	2.00
Immigration Certificate	O	133.50	135.50	135.50	2.00
Pre or new purchase inspection of HMO/purpose built flats	S	133.50	135.50	135.50	2.00
Service of Housing Act 2004 Notices					
Improvement notice (sec 11 or 12)	O	390.00	395.85	395.00	5.00
Prohibition Order	O	390.00	395.85	395.00	5.00
Emergency Prohibition Order	O	390.00	395.85	395.00	5.00
Emergency Remedial Action	O	198.00	200.97	200.00	2.00
Hazard Awareness Notice	O	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Review of Suspended Improvement Notice	O	130.00	131.95	132.00	2.00
Review of Suspended Prohibition Order	O	130.00	131.95	132.00	2.00
Demolition Order (Sec 265, Housing Act 1985)	O	390.00	395.85	395.00	5.00
S Standard Rated (20%) E Exempt O Outside the scope N Zero Rated					

(*) CPI Inflation rate @ November 2019

1.50%

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Appendix D (Revised): Forecast Capital Programme 2020/21 to 2021/22

<u>CURRENT GRANT ALLOCATIONS AND OTHER FUNDING</u>	<u>2020/21</u> £'000	<u>2021/22</u> £'000
<u>ADULT SOCIAL CARE</u>		
Disabled Facilities Grant	1,146	-
Double to Single Handed Care Equipment	398	-
Community Equipment - Children & Adult	350	-
ICT Development & Transformation	97	-
Community Equipment Store - Refurbishment	9	-
Occupational Therapist Support	107	-
Assistive Technology Supported Living	140	-
Care Home Improvements	400	-
Changing Places	140	-
Retail Model within Health and Wellbeing Hubs	450	-
Programme Support Extra Care & Assistive Technology	162	-
Extra Care Housing	1,500	-
Improvement Programme - Complex Needs	1,200	-
<u>COMMUNITIES</u>		
Crosby Lakeside Adventure Centre Watersports	17	-
Libraries	394	-
<u>CORPORATE SERVICES</u>		
Corporate Maintenance	20	-
Southport Theatre Convention Centre - Essential Maintenance	124	-
St John Stone Site - Infrastructure Works	623	-
PSR - Cost of Change	212	-
<u>ECONOMIC GROWTH AND HOUSING</u>		
Capital Priorities Fund	40	-
Economic Development	50	-
HMRI	57	-
Southport Pier	171	-
<u>EDUCATION EXCELLENCE</u>		
School General Planned Maintenance	1,255	-
Farnborough Rd Infants - Boiler	37	-
Farnborough Rd Juniors - wiring and brickwork	152	-
Forefield Infants - toilets	9	-
Forefield Juniors - Asbestos Removal	121	-
Grange Primary - boiler and rewiring	360	-
Hatton Hill Primary - Access Corridor	1	-
Linacre Primary - boiler and kitchen dining room link	89	-
Linaker Primary - 1 Form entry and cold water storage	149	-
Lydiat Primary - rewiring and general refurbishment	524	-
Redgate Primary - rewiring	39	-
Freshfield Primary - boiler	70	-
Great Crosby - remodelling phase 4	1,015	24

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CURRENT GRANT ALLOCATIONS AND OTHER FUNDING – Cont'd	<u>2020/21</u> £'000	<u>2021/22</u> £'000
Hudson Primary - heating ducts	478	49
Merefield Special - replace canopy	35	-
Netherton Moss Primary - rewiring	187	17
Norwood Primary - remodelling	6	-
Woodlands Primary - rewiring	371	-
Crosby High School - accessibility works	32	-
IMPACT PRU and AP - refurbishment	533	-
Rowan Park School - expansion	326	-
<u>HIGHWAYS & PUBLIC PROTECTION</u>		
Southport East West Links	330	-
Road Safety Schemes	40	-
Strategic Planning	160	-
A59 Maghull Route Management	1,052	-
Bridges & Structures	55	-
A565 Northern Key Corridor Improvements	105	-
<u>LOCALITY SERVICES</u>		
Burials & Cremation Insourcing - Vehicles & Equipment	200	-
Flood Management Schemes	965	500
Parks Schemes	244	39
Total Current Grant Allocations and Other Funding	16,747	629

<u>GRANT ALLOCATIONS 2020/21 and 2021/22</u>	<u>2020/21</u> £'000	<u>2021/22</u> £'000
<u>School Allocations</u>		
Devolved Formula Capital	347	347
Capital Maintenance	1,518	1,518
Basic Need	1,847	-
High Needs - Special Educational Needs & Disabilities	167	-
Total	3,879	1,865
<u>Transport Allocations</u>		
LTP - Highways Maintenance Block	2,298	2,298
LTP - Integrated Transport Block	990	990
LTP - Additional Key Route Network	405	405
Sustainable Urban Development Fund	1,085	825
Merseyside Local Growth Fund STEP	1,067	-
Total	5,845	4,518
<u>Better Care Fund</u>	4,251	4,251
Total Grant Allocations 2020/21 and 2021/22	13,975	10,634

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<u>ADDITIONAL SCHEMES 2020/21 and 2021/22</u>	<u>2020/21</u> £'000	<u>2021/22</u> £'000
<u>Growth & Strategic Investment Programme (Grant Funded)</u>		
Bootle & Southport Town Centre Commission	750	-
Cambridge Rd Centre	1,145	-
Crosby Lakeside Activity Centre	3,100	-
Total	4,995	-
<u>Prudential Borrowing</u>		
Winter Service Facility (Invest to Save)	2,632	-
Vehicle Plant & Equipment Purchase* (Traditional Capital Programme)	9,893	427
Total	12,525	427
<u>Traditional Capital Programme (Capital Receipts)</u>		
Transport Contributions (10%)	1,440	-
Essential Maintenance - Victoria Baths	328	-
Essential Maintenance - Southport Theatre	236	-
Essential Maintenance - Council Wide Programme	2,721	-
Ainsdale	1,300	-
Total	6,025	-
Total Additional Schemes 2020/21 and 2021/22	23,545	427
(* 5 year programme approved total expenditure £11.780m)		

<u>Summary Total Capital Programme 2020/21 and 2021/22</u>	<u>2020/21</u> £'000	<u>2021/22</u> £'000
Current Grant Allocations and Other Funding	16,747	629
Grant Allocations 2020/21 and 2021/22	13,975	10,634
Additional Schemes 2020/21 and 2021/22	23,545	427
Total Capital Programme	54,267	11,690

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