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COUNCIL SUMMONS

To Members of the Metropolitan Borough Council

Dear Councillor

You are requested to attend a Meeting of the Sefton Metropolitan Borough Council to

be held on Thursday 21st April, 2016 at 6.30 pm at the Town Hall, Southport to

transact the business set out on the agenda overleaf.

Yours sincerely,

Chief Executive

Town Hall, Southport

Wednesday 13 April 2016

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AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence

2. Declarations of Interest

Members are requested to give notice of any disclosable pecuniary interest, which is not already included in their Register of Members' Interests and the nature of that interest, relating to any item on the agenda in accordance with the Members Code of Conduct, before leaving the meeting room during the discussion on that particular item.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

(Pages 7 - 18)

Minutes of the meeting held on 3 March 2016

4. Mayor's Communications

Public Session

5. Matters Raised by the Public

To deal with matters raised by members of the public resident within the Borough, of which notice has been given in accordance with the procedures relating to public questions, motions or petitions set out in Paragraph 36 to 46 of the Council and Committee Procedure Rules in Chapter 4 of the Council Constitution.

Council Business Session

6. Questions Raised by Members of the Council

To receive and consider questions to Cabinet Members, Chairs of Committees or Spokespersons for any of the Joint Authorities upon any matter within their portfolio/area of responsibility, of which notice has been given by Members of the Council in accordance with Paragraph 48 to 50 of the Council and Committee Procedure Rules, set out in Chapter 4 of the Council Constitution.

7. Sefton Mental Health : A Strategic Plan for Sefton 2015-2020

(Pages 19 - 28)

Report of the Head of Adult Social Care

8. Membership of Committees 2015/16

To consider any changes to the Membership of any committees etc.

9. Motion Submitted by Councillor Keith

To consider the following Motion submitted by Councillor Keith:

Government proposals to enforce all State Schools to become 'Academies' by 2020

"The Council notes that the present proposals:

- (a) remove the requirement for there to be parent governors, thus taking away the crucial voice of parents in the running of schools and the welfare of their children.
- (b) are undemocratic, since they require schools to become academies without consulting the parents of each school concerned as to whether they would wish their children's schools to have their management arrangements altered in this manner.
- (c) require a transfer of the process of monitoring and funding schools from local authorities from local education authorities to central government which will be remote and unfamiliar with the environment within which local schools operate
- include an unprecedented land grab by central government in confiscating school land presently owned by councils and churches

The Council notes the recent remarks by the Chief Inspector of Schools, who was previously an Executive Principal of an Academy, that a number of multi-academy trusts have "manifested the same weaknesses" as the worst-performing local authorities and "offer the same excuses" while paying their Chief Executives monumental salaries as reward for manifest failure.

The Council expresses particular concern at the inability of the proposals to demonstrate an appropriate or adequate means of co-ordinating the provision of Special Needs education within any local area.

The Council instructs the Chief Executive to write on the Council's behalf to the Prime Minister and the Secretary of State for Education, with a copy to local MPs representing constituencies within the Borough, expressing the Council's deep reservations about the proposals and requesting that the Government should think again on the matter."

10. Motion Submitted by Councillor Welsh

To consider the following Motion submitted by Councillor Welsh:

"The Council notes the proposal by Arriva Rail North to end the direct rail service between Southport and Manchester Piccadilly and Manchester Airport, leaving the only direct service to Manchester going to Manchester Victoria.

The Council is aware that surveys have revealed that the majority of commuters travelling to Manchester from Southport and Formby use the direct service to Manchester Piccadilly as the Manchester stations on this line (including Deansgate and Oxford Road) are located nearer to their places of work than is Manchester Victoria.

The Council believes that the removal of this service will be detrimental to commuters from the north of the Borough and could discourage people from continuing to live in the Borough as well as discouraging people who work in south central Manchester from choosing to live in the Borough.

The Council also believes that the removal of the direct service to Manchester Airport would be detrimental to the economic interests of the Borough of Sefton. It will disadvantage the tourism and conference sectors for whom easy links from Manchester Piccadilly and Manchester Airport are a vital competitive asset. It will also disadvantage businesses in target sectors such as digital technology. Direct access to Manchester universities and the Airport are essential for the development of these businesses.

The Council therefore instructs the Chief Executive to write on the Council's behalf to Arriva Rail North, Liverpool City Region Combined Authority, Transport for Greater Manchester, Rail North and the Department for Transport, with a copy to the local MPs representing constituencies within the Borough strongly urging that these proposals are reconsidered "

11. Motion Submitted by Councillor Killen

To consider the following Motion submitted by Councillor Killen:

"The Council calls on the Government to make fair transitional arrangements for all women born on or after 6th April 1951 who have unfairly borne the burden of the increase to the State Pension Age (SPA).

Hundreds of thousands of women had significant pension changes imposed on them by the Pension Acts of 1995 and 2001 but were not notified of the changes until relatively recently. Some women were not notified until two years ago of a six-year increase in pension age. Women born in the 1950s are bearing a disproportionate cost of Conservative plans to reduce state spending.

Many women born in the 1950s are living in hardship. Retirement plans have been shattered with devastating consequences. Many of these women are caring for elderly relatives, providing childcare for grandchildren, or suffer discrimination in the workplace so struggle to find employment. Women born in this decade are suffering financially due to the Tories' ideological drive to reduce the cost of the state. These women have worked hard, raised families and paid their tax and national insurance with the expectation that they would be financially secure after finishing work. It is not the pension age itself that is disputed it is widely accepted that women and men should retire at the same time. The issue is that the rise in the women's state pension age has been too rapid and has happened without sufficient notice being given to the women affected.

The Council calls upon the Government to reconsider transitional arrangements for women born between 1951 and 1955 so that women do not live in hardship due to pension changes they were not told about until it was too late to make alternative arrangements."

12. Motion Submitted by Councillor McKinley

To consider the following Motion submitted by Councillor McKinley:

"Sefton Council calls on the Government to do all in its power to prevent loss of revenue to the UK through illegal tax evasion and highlight the immoral nature of tax avoidance schemes that are a drain on our national resource. Measures should include closing tax loopholes wherever possible and working toward preventing Crown Dependencies and overseas territories from acting as 'offshore tax havens'."

COUNCIL

MEETING HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, BOOTLE ON THURSDAY 3RD MARCH, 2016

PRESENT: The Mayor (Councillor Kermode) in the Chair

The Deputy Chair (Councillor Cluskey) Vice Chair

Councillors Atkinson, Ball, David Barton, Jo Barton, Maria Bennett, Bliss, Booth, Brodie - Browne, Burns, Byrom, Carr, Carragher, Cummins, Dams, Dodd,

Dowd, Dutton, Fairclough, Maureen Fearn,

Lord Fearn, Friel, Gatherer, Grace, Hale, Hands,

Hardy, Jamieson, Jones, Keith, John Kelly, John Joseph Kelly, Kerrigan, Killen, Lappin, Dan T. Lewis, Maher, McGinnity, McGuire,

McKinley, Moncur, Murphy, O'Brien, Owens, Page, Preece, Robinson, Roche, Sayers, Shaw, Spencer, Thompson, Tweed, Veidman, Webster and Welsh

86. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Ashton, Veronica Bennett, Bradshaw, Brennan, Dawson, Hartill, Daniel Lewis, Mahon and Weavers.

87. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of any disclosable pecuniary interest were received.

88. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 28 January 2016 be approved as a correct record.

89. MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS

Death of Former Councillor David Rimmer

The Mayor reported on the sad death of former Councillor David Rimmer on 3 February 2016. David had represented the Meols Ward from May 2004 to May 2014.

The Mayor indicated that he had attended David's funeral along with a number of Councillors and Officers and he extended his sincere condolences to the family and friends of David.

Councillors McGuire, Cummins and Brodie-Browne paid tribute to the work which David Rimmer had undertaken for the Borough.

The Council then stood in silence for one minute as a mark of respect for David Rimmer.

Mayoral Charity Cabaret Dinner – 2 April 2016

The Mayor reminded Members that the Mayoral Charity Cabaret Dinner would be held on Saturday 2 April 2016 at the Formby Hall Golf Resort and Spa and the proceeds from the event would be distributed to Mayoral Charities. Tickets and further details of the event were available from the Mayoral and Civic Services Officer in Bootle Town Hall.

Councillor Peter Dowd, MP

The Leader of the Council (Councillor Maher) indicated that this would be the last Council meeting that Councillor Peter Dowd MP, would be attending before he stepped down as a Councillor prior to the Council Elections in May 2016 and paid tribute to the service that Councillor Dowd had given to the Borough as a Councillor for the Derby Ward from December 1991 to May 2003 and for the St. Oswald Ward from May 2003 to date and as the Leader of the Council from May 2011 to May 2015. He extended best wishes to Councillor Dowd in his political career as the Member of Parliament for the Bootle Constituency.

Councillor Dowd thanked the Leader of the Council for his kind remarks.

90. MATTERS RAISED BY THE PUBLIC

The Mayor reported that no matters had been raised by Members of the Public.

91. QUESTIONS RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

The Council considered a schedule setting out the written question submitted by Councillor Hands to the Leader of the Council (Councillor Maher) together with the response given.

92. TREASURY MANAGEMENT POLICY AND STRATEGY 2016/17

Further to Minute No. 105 of the Cabinet meeting held on 18 February 2016, the Council considered the report of the Chief Finance Officer which provided details of the proposed procedures and strategy to be adopted in respect of the Council's Treasury Management Function in 2016/17.

It was moved by Councillor Maher, seconded by Councillor Fairclough and

RESOLVED: That approval be given to:

- (1) the Treasury Management Policy Document for 2016/17 as set out in Annexe A of the report;
- (2) the Treasury Management Strategy Document for 2016/17 as set out in Annexe B of the report; and
- (3) the option set out in Paragraph 4 of the report being used as the basis for the calculation of the Minimum Revenue Provision for Debt Repayment in 2015/16.

93. THE PRUDENTIAL CODE FOR CAPITAL FINANCE IN LOCAL AUTHORITIES - PRUDENTIAL INDICATORS

Further to Minute No. 106 of the Cabinet meeting held on 18 February 2016, the Council considered the report of the Chief Finance Officer on proposals to establish the Prudential Indicators required under the Prudential Code of Capital Finance in Local Authorities. This would enable the Council to effectively manage its Capital Finance Activities and comply with the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy Prudential Code of Capital Finance in Local Authorities.

It was moved by Councillor Maher, seconded by Councillor Fairclough and

RESOLVED: That:

- (1) the Prudential Indicators as detailed in the report, and summarised in Annexe A of the report, be approved as the basis for compliance with The Prudential Code for Capital Finance in Local Authorities;
- (2) approval be given to the relevant Prudential Indicators being amended, should any changes to unsupported borrowing be approved as part of the 2016/17 Revenue Budget;
- (3) it be noted that estimates of capital expenditure may change as grant allocations are received, as indicated in paragraph 2.2 of the report; and
- (4) the Chief Finance Officer be granted delegated authority to manage the Authorised Limit and Operational Boundary for external debt as detailed in Section 5 of the report.

94. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2003 - CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REQUIREMENTS - ROBUSTNESS REPORT

Further to Minute No. 108 of the Cabinet meeting held on 18 February 2016, the Council considered the report of the Chief Finance Officer which provided an assessment of the robustness of the estimates and the tax setting calculations, the adequacy of the proposed financial reserves and the production of longer term revenue and capital plans, based on the

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proposals set out in the report on the Revenue Budget 2016/17 and Medium Term Financial Plan 2017/18 - 2019/20 (Minute No. 95 below refers).

It was moved by Councillor Maher, seconded by Councillor Fairclough and

RESOLVED:

That the report be noted.

95. REVENUE BUDGET 2016/17 (AND MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLAN 2017/18 - 2019/20)

The Council considered the report of the Chief Finance Officer which provided details of the recommendations of the Cabinet on 14 January and 18 February 2016 (Minute Nos. 88 and 109) to arrive at a balanced budget for 2016/17; a summary of the draft budget for 2016/17; a summary of the budget changes included in the draft budget; recommendations on the allocation of specific grants; and an update on the funding of schools agreed by the Schools' Forum.

The report indicated that on 5 March 2015, the Council had agreed a two year financial plan for the period 2015/16 to 2016/17 and that the service changes required to achieve the plan had largely been put in place but the Comprehensive Spending Review and the Local Government Finance Settlement announced by the Government had resulted in a significant increase in the Council's budget gap for 2016/17, as well as introducing further savings targets for the three years 2017/18 to 2019/20.

The following appendices were appended to the report:

Appendix 1 – List of Budget Proposals for 2016/17

Appendix 2 – Individual School Budgets 2016/17

Appendix 3 – Draft Council Budget 2016/17

Appendix 4 – Fees and Charges 2016/17

The Council also considered the draft Council Tax resolution for 2016/17 which had been prepared by the Chief Finance Officer and circulated to Members of the Council in the supplementary agenda.

It was moved by Councillor Maher, seconded by Councillor Fairclough:

"That:

- (1) it be noted that the Cabinet at meetings held on 14 January 2016 and 18 February 2016 had:
 - (i) noted the changes to Council resource following the announcement of the Final Local Government Finance Settlement for 2016/17;

- (ii) recommended that the budget adjustments for 2016/17 set out in Paragraph 3.5 of the report be implemented;
- (iii) recommended the use of the Social Care Council Tax
 Precept, use of the Better Care Fund and the revised use of
 one-off reserves in order to balance the budget; and
- (iv) indicated that the use of one-off resources was not sustainable in future years and savings would need to be found from 2017/18 to replace the use of one-off resources in 2016/17.
- (2) the fees and charges as proposed in the draft Council budget and set out Appendix 4 of the report, be noted;
- (3) approval be given to the Council Budget for 2016/17 as set out in Appendix 3 of the report and officers be authorised to undertake the necessary actions relating to all other relevant implementation associated with the Council resolutions;
- (4) approval be given to the use of one off resources of £6.553m in 2016/17 as set out in Paragraph 5 of the report;
- (5) approval be given to a Council Tax increase of 1.99% as set out in Paragraph 6.1 of the report;
- (6) approval be given to a Social Care Council Tax Precept of 2% as set out in Paragraph 6.1 of the report;
- (7) approval be given to an overall increase in Council Tax for Sefton Council of 3.99% as set out in Paragraph 6.1 of the report;
- (8) approval be given to the allocation of specific grants as detailed in Paragraphs 7 and 8 of the report;
- (9) the Schools' Forum decisions on the Dedicated Schools Grant and Individual School Budgets, as set out in Appendix 2 to the report be noted;
- (10) subject to the above, the overall Council Tax resolution including a Social Care precept, Police & Fire and Parish Precepts, as set out in the supplementary agenda be approved;
- (11) the forecasted additional budget savings requirement for 2017/18 2019/20, as outlined in Paragraph 11.1 of the report be noted; and
- (12) approval be given to the preparation of a new financial plan to cover the period of the Government Comprehensive Spending

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Review 2017/18 – 2019/20 as set out in Paragraph 11.9 of the report."

Following debate and in accordance with Rule 95 of Chapter 4 in the Constitution, the voting on the Motion was recorded and the Members of the Councillor present at the time, voted as follows:

FOR THE MOTION:

Councillors Atkinson, Burns, Byrom, Carr, Carragher, Cluskey, Cummins, Dams, Dowd, Fairclough, Friel, Gatherer, Grace, Hale, Hardy, John Kelly, John Joseph Kelly, Kerrigan, Killen, Lappin, Dan T. Lewis, Maher, McGinnity, McKinley, Moncur, Murphy, O'Brien, Owens, Page, Robinson, Roche, Sayers, Spencer, Thompson, Tweed, Veidman, Webster and The Mayor (Councillor Kermode).

AGAINST THE MOTION:

Councillors Ball, Jo Barton, Maria Bennett, Bliss, Booth, Brodie-Browne, Dodd, Dutton, Lord Fearn, Maureen Fearn, Hands, Jamieson, Jones, Keith, McGuire, Preece, Shaw and Welsh.

The Mayor declared that the Motion was carried by 38 votes to 18 and it was

RESOLVED:

That:

- it be noted that the Cabinet at meetings held on 14 January 2016 and 18 February 2016 had:
 - (i) noted the changes to Council resource following the announcement of the Final Local Government Finance Settlement for 2016/17:
 - (ii) recommended that the budget adjustments for 2016/17 set out in Paragraph 3.5 of the report be implemented;
 - (iii) recommended the use of the Social Care Council Tax Precept, use of the Better Care Fund and the revised use of one-off reserves in order to balance the budget; and
 - (iv) indicated that the use of one-off resources was not sustainable in future years and savings would need to be found from 2017/18 to replace the use of one-off resources in 2016/17.
- the fees and charges as proposed in the draft Council budget and set out in Appendix 4 of the report, be noted;

- (3) approval be given to the Council Budget for 2016/17 as set out in Appendix 3 of the report and officers be authorised to undertake the necessary actions relating to all other relevant implementation associated with the Council resolutions;
- (4) approval be given to the use of one off resources of £6.553m in 2016/17 as set out in Paragraph 5 of the report;
- (5) approval be given to a Council Tax increase of 1.99% as set out in Paragraph 6.1 of the report;
- (6) approval be given to a Social Care Council Tax Precept of 2% as set out in Paragraph 6.1 of the report;
- (7) approval be given to an overall increase in Council Tax for Sefton Council of 3.99% as set out in Paragraph 6.1 of the report;
- (8) approval be given to the allocation of specific grants as detailed in Paragraphs 7 and 8 of the report;
- (9) the Schools' Forum decisions on the Dedicated Schools Grant and Individual School Budgets, as set out in Appendix 2 to the report be noted;
- (10) it be noted that at its meeting on 28 January 2016, the Council calculated the following amounts for the year 2016/17 in accordance with the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) (England) Regulations 1992 (as amended):
 - (a) 80,806.50 Band D equivalent properties, for the whole area [item T in the formula in Section 31B of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended]; and
 - (b) for dwellings in those parts of its area to which a Parish precept relates as shown in the table below:

Parish	<u>Council Tax Base</u> (Band D Equivalent Properties)
Aintree Village Formby Hightown Ince Blundell Little Altcar Lydiate Maghull Melling Sefton Thornton	1,995.69 8,985.26 849.17 157.28 304.75 2,013.34 6,477.75 967.26 232.02 759.30

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- (11) the Council calculate that the Council Tax requirement for the Council's own purposes for 2016/2017 (excluding Parish Precepts) is £110,718,642.
- (12) the following amounts be calculated by the Council for the year 2016/2017 in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992:

/ <u>-</u> \	0500 067 000	Being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council			
(a)	£589,967,896	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)	-£478,324,395	Being the aggregate amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3) of the Act.			
(c)	£111,643,501	Being the amount by which the aggregate at 3(a) aborexceeds the aggregate at 3(b) above, calculated by the Coun in accordance with Section 31A(4) of the Act as its Council Trequirement for the year (item R in the formula in Section 31B the Act).			
(d)	£1,381.62	Being the amount at 3(c) above (item R), divided by the amount at 1(a) above (item T), 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)	£924,859	Being the aggregate amount of all special items (Parish Precepts) referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act.			
(f)	£1,370.17	Being the amount at 3(d) above, less the amount given by dividing the amount at 3(e) above by the amount at 1(a) above (item T), 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 item relates.			
(g)	amounts of the special i mentioned above divided Council in accordance with	ing the amounts given by adding to the amount at 3(f) above the tems relating to dwellings in those parts of the Council's area in each case by the amount at 1(b) above, calculated by the h Section 34(3) of the Act as basic amounts of its Council Tax for nose parts of its area to which special items relate.			
	<u>Parish</u>	£			
	Aintree Village	1,425.29			
	Formby	1,377.40			
	Hightown	1,375.61			
	Ince Blundell	1,382.25			
	Little Altcar	1,378.37			
	Lydiate	1,438.51			
	Maghull	1,459.02			
	Melling	1,390.85			
	Sefton	1,383.96			

	Thornton				1,376.10					
(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.									
	Proportion	Α	В	С	D D	/aluation Ba E	F	G	Н	
	of Band D	6/9	7/9	8/9	9/9	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	
	<u>Parish</u>	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	
	Aintree									
	Village	950.19	1,108.56	1,266.92	1,425.29	1,742.02	2,058.75	2,375.48	2,850.58	
	Formby	918.27	1,071.31	1,224.36	1,377.40	1,683.49	1,989.58	2,295.67	2,754.80	
	Hightown	917.07	1,069.92	1,222.76	1,375.61	1,681.30	1,986.99	2,292.68	2,751.22	
	Ince Blundell	921.50	1,075.08	1,228.67	1,382.25	1,689.42	1,996.58	2,303.75	2,764.50	
	Little Altcar	918.91	1,072.07	1,225.22	1,378.37	1,684.67	1,990.98	2,297.28	2,756.74	
	Lydiate	959.01	1,118.84	1,278.68	1,438.51	1,758.18	2,077.85	2,397.52	2,877.02	
	Maghull	972.68	1,134.79	1,296.91	1,459.02	1,783.25	2,107.47	2,431.70	2,918.04	
	Melling	927.23	1,081.77	1,236.31	1,390.85	1,699.93	2,009.01	2,318.08	2,781.70	
	Sefton	922.64	1,076.41	1,230.19	1,383.96	1,691.51	1,999.05	2,306.60	2,767.92	
	Thornton	917.40	1,070.30	1,223.20	1,376.10	1,681.90	1,987.70	2,293.50	2,752.20	
	All Other Parts of the Council's Area	913.45	1,065.69	1,217.93	1,370.17	1,674.65	1,979.13	2,283.62	2,740.34	

(13) it be noted that for the year 2016/2017 the Police and Crime Commissioner and Fire and Rescue Authority have 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:

		Property Valuation Band						
Proportion of	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G	Н
Band D	6/9	7/9	8/9	9/9	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Precepting Authority								
Merseyside Fire & Rescue Authority	48.59	56.69	64.79	72.89	89.09	105.29	121.48	145.78

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Merseyside Police and Crime Commissioner	108.53	126.62	144.71	162.80	198.98	235.16	271.33	325.60

(14) 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 2016/2017 for each part of its area and for each of the categories of dwellings.

			F	roperty Valu	ation Band			
Proportion of	Α	В	С	D	E	F	G	Н
Band D	6/9	7/9	8/9	9/9	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9
<u>Parish</u>	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Aintree Village	1,107.31	1,291.87	1,476.42	1,660.98	2,030.09	2,399.20	2,768.29	3,321.96
Formby	1,075.39	1,254.62	1,433.86	1,613.09	1,971.56	2,330.03	2,688.48	3,226.18
Hightown	1,074.19	1,253.23	1,432.26	1,611.30	1,969.37	2,327.44	2,685.49	3,222.60
Ince Blundell	1,078.62	1,258.39	1,438.17	1,617.94	1,977.49	2,337.03	2,696.56	3,235.88
Little Altcar	1,076.03	1,255.38	1,434.72	1,614.06	1,972.74	2,331.43	2,690.09	3,228.12
Lydiate	1,116.13	1,302.15	1,488.18	1,674.20	2,046.25	2,418.30	2,790.33	3,348.40
Maghull	1,129.80	1,318.10	1,506.41	1,694.71	2,071.32	2,447.92	2,824.51	3,389.42
Melling	1,084.35	1,265.08	1,445.81	1,626.54	1,988.00	2,349.46	2,710.89	3,253.08
Sefton	1,079.76	1,259.72	1,439.69	1,619.65	1,979.58	2,339.50	2,699.41	3,239.30
Thornton	1,074.52	1,253.61	1,432.70	1,611.79	1,969.97	2,328.15	2,686.31	3,223.58
All Other Parts of the Council's Area	1,070.57	1,249.00	1,427.43	1,605.86	1,962.72	2,319.58	2,676.43	3,211.72

- (15) the Council's basic amount of Council Tax for 2016/2017 is not deemed to be excessive in accordance with the principles approved under Section 52ZB of the Local Government Finance Act 1992;
- (16) the forecasted additional budget savings requirement for 2017/18 2019/20, as outlined in Paragraph 11.1 of the report be noted; and
- (17) approval be given to the preparation of a new financial plan to cover the period of the Government Comprehensive Spending Review 2017/18 2019/20 as set out in Paragraph 11.9 of the report.

96. HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD - PROPOSAL TO EXTEND MEMBERSHIP

Further to Minute No. 94 of the Cabinet meeting held on 4 February 2016, the Council considered the report of the Director of Social Care and Health on a proposal to extend the membership of the Health and Wellbeing Board in order to progress integration in Sefton.

It was moved by Councillor Maher, seconded by Councillor Fairclough and

RESOLVED:

That the changes to the membership of the Health and Wellbeing Board as detailed in Paragraph 2.1 of the report be approved.

97. MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES 2015/16

Councillor Keith proposed the following changes:

- Councillor Weavers to replace Councillor Daniel Lewis as the Substitute Member for Councillor Ashton on the Audit and Governance Committee.
- Councillor Daniel Lewis to replace Councillor Weavers as the Substitute Member for Councillor Shaw on the Audit and Governance Committee.

RESOLVED:

That the changes to the membership of the Committee be approved.

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Report to: Cabinet Date of Meeting: 7th April 2016

Council 21st April 2016

Subject: Sefton Mental Health Wards Affected: (All Wards);

: A Strategic Plan for Sefton 2015-2020

Report of: Head of Adult Social

Care

Is this a Key Decision?

No **Is it included in the Forward Plan?** Yes

Exempt/Confidential No

Purpose/Summary

To seek the Cabinet views and agreement to the draft Sefton Mental Health: A Strategic Plan for Sefton 2015-2020

Recommendation(s)

Cabinet:

- 1. The content of the Strategic Plan be agreed, as described in the report; and
- 2. Due to the importance of Mental Health within the Borough that Cabinet commends the Plan to Council for noting.

Council:

That the Sefton Mental Health Strategic Plan for 2015-2020 be noted

How does the decision contribute to the Council's Corporate Objectives?

	Corporate Objective	Positive Impact	Neutral Impact	Negative Impact
1	Creating a Learning Community	Х		
2	Jobs and Prosperity	Х		
3	Environmental Sustainability		Х	
4	Health and Well-Being	Х		

5	Children and Young People	Х	
6	Creating Safe Communities	Х	
7	Creating Inclusive Communities	Х	
8	Improving the Quality of Council Services and Strengthening Local Democracy	Х	

Reasons for the Recommendation:

Communities of Sefton face increasing health inequalities and poor health and wellbeing outcomes. In order to ensure that these outcomes are improved, particularly for the most vulnerable people, we need to ensure that the priorities of the Health and Wellbeing Board, which includes Mental Health are fit for purpose / financially sustainable. This strategic plan plays and important role in helping to deliver the required improvements.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected:

There are no alternative options

What will it cost and how will it be financed?

There are no financial implications associated with this report. The Strategic Plan provides a framework to guide the Council in seeking to support people who live with or care for adults and children with differing Mental Health needs in the context of the current financial climate. However, where actions will result in additional resources being required then this will be costed and referred to Elected Members and other partners to consider at the appropriate time.

- (A) Revenue Costs
 Not applicable
- (B) Capital Costs
 Not applicable

Implications:

The following implications of this proposal have been considered and where there are specific implications, these are set out below:

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Equa	lity No Equality Implication	х
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2.	Equality Implications identified and mitigated	
3.	Equality Implication identified and risk remains	

Impact of the Proposals on Service Delivery:

The Strategic Plan provides a framework from which an overarching action plan has been developed for the delivery of the strategy in the context of the Strategic Objectives in the Sefton Health and Wellbeing Strategy and the priorities within the Sefton Carers Strategy 2014 – 2019, The CCG plan for Mental Health in Sefton, Sefton Strategy for Older Citizens 2014 – 2019 and the CYP Joint Mental Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2014-17

What consultations have taken place on the proposals and when?

The Chief Finance Officer has been consulted and has no comment on the report as there are no direct financial implications resulting from the report (FD.4111/16) and the Head of Corporate Legal Services (LD.3394/16) has been consulted and any comments have been incorporated into the report.

Implementation Date for the Decision

Following the expiry of the "call-in" period for the Minutes of the Cabinet Meeting

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Background Papers:

Equality Impact Assessment

1. Introduction/Background

- 1.1 According to WHO (World Health Organization), mental health is "a state of well-being in which the individual realises his or her own abilities, can cope with the normal stresses of life, can work productively and fruitfully, and is able to make a contribution to his or her community". It is predicted that at least 25% of the population will experience mental ill-health at some time in their lives and with around half of people with lifelong mental health problems experiencing their first symptoms by the age of 14. For this reason the Wider Determinants Forum of the Health & Wellbeing Board commissioned the production of a strategic plan for mental health in Sefton.
- 1.2 A small Task and Finish Group, led by the Head of Adult Services and reporting predominantly to the Wider Determinants Forum, (but also to the Adults and Early Life Forums) has met regularly to take forward the development of the draft Plan. This Task and Finish group was made up of members from various organisations and service areas including Sefton CVS, Strategic Support, Public Health and Sefton's two CCG's.
- 1.3 In agreeing to the development of the Plan the Wider Determinants Forum were keen that it should be an overarching document, to be used by officers to implement its outcomes and objectives. It would outline the ambitions setting it in both a Strategic and demographic context and that it would be the single strategic 5 year plan for all services and organisations who work with children and adults living with mental ill-health and their families or carers in Sefton.
- 1.4 The main aims of the Plan are that after five years there will be:
 - Improved mental health and wellbeing of the population
 - People and communities know how to keep well and are able to take responsibility for their wellbeing
 - Early intervention is in place to prevent long lasting conditions
 - Parity of esteem between mental and physical health services
 - Accessible and effective services
 - Local needs are reflected through consultation, engagement and coproduction
- 1.5 It was agreed that the SEFTON MENTAL HEALTH: A Strategic Plan for Sefton 2015-2020, should be an "umbrella document" which pulls together and references information from several different plans and strategies across the Borough as well as incorporating feedback from carers and services users. The aim of this umbrella document is to provide a home for but not duplicate the service delivery associated with these documents. Information referenced in the Plan has been drawn from the Crisis Care Concordat delivery Plan, Dementia Strategy, Carers Strategy, Older Persons Strategy, Suicide Prevention Plan, Joint CCG Mental Health Plan and Children & Young Peoples Plan.
- 1.6 The Plan is split into 2 key objectives developed from the Health and Wellbeing Strategy priority, "Promote positive mental health and wellbeing". As well as need identified from the Sefton Strategic Needs Assessment. These key objectives are

A. Promotion of positive wellbeing, prevention and combating stigma & discrimination

- Time To Talk Leadership to champion mental health, provide advocacy, knowledge and communicate key messages
- Wider determinants of mental health are tackled, ensuring mental health is integrated into other strategies and policies, neighbourhood development, environment and social actions
- Community resilience, engagement and co-production, workforce and community champions

B. Commissioning of effective and accessible mental health services from birth to old age

- Prevention To support the promotion of mental wellbeing and the primary prevention of mental illness
- Treatment Achieving parity of esteem between mental and physical health in the delivery of care and treatment services
- Recovery Based upon an ethos of hope and empowerment, recovery models build recovery, well-being and self-management. The programmes encourage co-production by involving people with lived experience

2. Co-production of the SEFTON MENTAL HEALTH: A Strategic Plan for Sefton 2015-2020

2.1 The multi-agency working group designed a consultation to gather the views of people caring for or working with children and adults living with mental ill-health as well as service users themselves. The views of a wide range of stakeholders were gathered at an event in September 2013 and again electronically in the spring of 2015. The aim of the event was to better understand how needs were being met, what gaps they have encountered and views on improving services across Sefton. The views and priorities identified provide the foundations for the Plan.

The stakeholder feedback included:

- "Engaging and listening to people: Service users need to be meaningfully engaged in the co-production and co-design of services to ensure they are effective. The views and experiences of those not using services should be gathered".
- "An ethos of prevention and recovery should be balanced with the need for effective responses to acute mental health problems. Where possible services should be in a community setting".
- "Suicide prevention and addressing the needs of those who self-harm should go across all levels from prevention, to crisis services and support".
- "Transitions need to be improved, particularly from child and adolescent to adult services".
- "The effects of Dementia and the impact of Sefton's aging population need to be part of the mental health strategy".

3.0 Action Plan Development

3.1 The Task and Finish group developed and overarching action plan comprising of actions from the associated plans and strategies which are housed in this umbrella Plan as well as feedback from consultation. The action plan is split in to Prevention, Treatment and Recovery.

4. Equality Analysis Report

4.1 In developing the draft Plan, the Council has shown due regard to the Equality Act 2010. A draft EIA is available for consideration.

5. Next Steps

- Cabinet have received a final draft of the SEFTON MENTAL HEALTH: A Strategic Plan for Sefton 2015-2020 and its associated action plan to accompany this report.
- Members are asked to consider the draft and recommend Cabinet and Council approval of the Draft Plan.
- Members will receive updates from key officers with responsibility for the delivery of the action plan over the next 5.

6.0 Conclusion

6.1 The draft Sefton Mental Health: A Strategic Plan for Sefton 2015-2020 is centred on improving outcomes for those living with mental ill-health and or their carers. The partners of the Plan will work towards actions that promote early intervention and prevention to improve the health and wellbeing.

Annex 1 – Executive Summary

Executive Summary

Background

Improving the mental health and wellbeing of Sefton's population has been prioritised by Sefton's Health & Wellbeing Board and runs across all six objectives of the Sefton Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2013-2018:

- Ensure all children have a positive start in life
- Support people early to prevent and treat avoidable illnesses and reduce inequalities in health
- Support older people and those with long term conditions and disabilities to remain independent and in their own homes
- Promote positive mental health and wellbeing
- Seek to address the wider social, environmental and economic issues that contribute to poor health and wellbeing
- Build capacity and resilience to empower and strengthen communities

This strategic plan has been written in partnership with key statutory and voluntary partners to help deliver the Health & wellbeing Boards objectives and provides a framework for working in an integrated way to help deliver outcomes for Mental Health. It was agreed that this Strategic Plan should be an "umbrella document" which pulls together and references information from several different plans and strategies across the borough as well as incorporating feedback from carers and services users. The aim of this umbrella document is to provide a home for, but not duplicate, the service delivery associated with these documents. Information referenced in the Plan has been drawn from the Crisis Care Concordat Delivery Plan, Dementia Strategy, Carers Strategy, Older Persons Strategy, Suicide Prevention Plan, Joint Clinical Commissioning Groups Mental Health Plan and the draft Children & Young Peoples Plan.

Summary of what the evidence tells us

Mental health, the national picture:

- At least 1 in 4 people will experience a mental health problem at some point in their life and 1 in 6 adults has a mental health problem at any one time
- 1 in 10 children aged between 5 and 16 years has a mental health problem, and many continue to have mental health problems into adulthood
- Half of those with lifetime mental health problems first experience symptoms by the age of 14, and three-quarters before their mid-20s
- Self-harming in young people is not uncommon (between 10 and 13% of 15-16 year olds have self-harmed)
- Almost half of all adults will experience at least one episode of depression during their lifetime
- 1 in 10 new mothers' experiences postnatal depression
- About 1 in 100 people has a severe mental health problem
- Some 60% of adults living in hostels have a personality disorder
- Some 90% of all prisoners are estimated to have a diagnosable mental health problem (including personality disorder) and/or a substance misuse problem

- Approximately 90% of mental health conditions are exclusively managed with in primary care with 10% treated in secondary care (Kings Fund, 2012)
- Mental illness results in 70 million sick days per year, making it the leading cause of sickness absence in the United Kingdom (SCMH, 2007).

Mental Health, Sefton: The Local Picture

- Using the Warwick Edinburgh Mental Wellbeing Scale (WEMWEBS), Sefton is
 one of the highest scoring areas in Merseyside, the North West Survey has shown
 that people with good wellbeing have higher life satisfaction, are more likely to be
 in employment, be educated, be healthy and have closer relationships with others.
 Approximately 15% of respondents reported low wellbeing and those individuals
 are more often from the most deprived areas of Sefton.
- In 2013 there were 24 deaths from suicide in Sefton and a three year total of 73 deaths between 2011 and 2013.
- In 2012/13 there were a total of 517 hospital admissions for self-harm across the two CCG's that make up Sefton, almost two thirds of which (332 of 517) were from Southport and Formby CCG.
- There were approximately 721 individuals in Sefton in 2014 suffering from Personality Disorder.
- In 2012/13 98.5 per 100,000, young people aged 0-17 were admitted to hospital as a result of mental health problems.
- It is currently predicted that there are 5,317 Sefton residents over the age of 65 suffering from depression and a further 1,691 suffering from severe depression, this equates to around one in eight people in this cohort suffering some form of depression. Approximately 11% of 65-96 year olds suffer from depression, compared to 13.5% over the age of 85, suggesting that prevalence increases with age. (SMBC, NHS Sefton, 2012)
- Sefton has a higher than average prevalence of adults with dementia in the UK.
 One person in 14 over 65 has a form of dementia and the prevalence increases with age. It is estimated that there will be approximately 3,000 people over 80 with dementia in Sefton in 2015 and it is anticipated that this number will continue to increase. Dementia in people aged under 65 is relatively rare less than 2% of all those with dementia. (Sefton MBC, 2014)

Vision

Our vision for Mental Health is that Sefton is a place where the circumstances in which people live promotes better mental and physical health, where there is no shame attached to having a mental health problem and where an integrated approach gives parity of esteem to mental and physical health.

Sefton is a place where there is effective treatment for mental health: the right service, in the right place, at the right time.

In Sefton people and their communities have emotional resilience, with the skills to manage their mental health and spot early signs of poor mental health. A place where families are supported and actions are taken to reduce social isolation and loneliness. Sefton is a borough that fosters a suicide safe community.

Outcomes

We will have delivered on our vision when:

- More people have good mental health
- People feel better supported to look after their own mental health and feel confident to recognise mental illness early and seek early intervention
- People have access to effective treatment and recovery services across all lifestages
- The quality of life for those experiencing mental health problems is improved
- Mental health services and those who use them enjoy parity of esteem with physical health services so that mental and physical health are not viewed in isolation of each other.

Purpose

This plan is not simply a call for more action on mental health, it is a call for a shift in understanding and thinking about mental health, recognising that there really is no health without mental health and that mental health must be integral to and underpin all actions to improve the quality of life within the population.

This plan recognises that mental health and wellbeing exists in a dynamic continuum from illness to wellness, and the need to address the full spectrum on this continuum through effective approaches to prevention, treatment and recovery.

By promoting good mental health and intervening early, particularly in the crucial childhood and teenage years, we can help to prevent mental illness from developing and mitigate its effects when it does. Therefore, this plan takes a life course approach, recognising that the foundations for lifelong wellbeing are already being laid down before birth, and that there is much we can do to protect and promote wellbeing and resilience through our early years, into adulthood and then on into a healthy old age, where functional mental health needs are addressed in addition to those identified in responding to dementia.

This plan endeavours to support and join together the work being done around, children's emotional health and wellbeing, suicide prevention, social isolation, emotional health and wellbeing, dementia and the needs of carers. This plan is aligned with the draft Sefton Children and Young People, Mental Health and Emotional Wellbeing Strategy, the Sefton Older Person's Strategy, the Sefton Dementia Strategy and the Sefton Carer's Strategy.

Objectives

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A copy of the full Strategic Plan and action plan are available from Nicola.beattie@sefton.gov.uk