

COUNCIL

**MEETING HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, BOOTLE
ON 5 MARCH 2015**

PRESENT: The Mayor, Councillor Cluskey (in the Chair)
The Deputy Chair, Councillor M. Fearn, Vice Chair

Councillors Atkinson, Ball, David Barton, Jo Barton, Maria Bennett, Veronica Bennett, Bradshaw, Brennan, Brodie - Browne, Burns, Byrom, Carr, Crabtree, Cummins, Cuthbertson, Dams, Dawson, Dodd, Mark Dowd, Peter Dowd, Dutton, Fairclough, Lord Fearn, Friel, Gatherer, Grace, Hands, Hardy, Jones, Keith, John Kelly, John Joseph Kelly, Kermode, Kerrigan, Killen, Lappin, Lewis, P. Maguire, Maher, Mahon, McGinnity, McKinley, Moncur, Murphy, O'Brien, Owens, Page, Papworth, Preece, Roberts, Robertson, Robinson, Roche, Shaw, Thompson, Tweed, Veidman, Weavers, Webster and Welsh

74. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Ashton, Booth, Hartill and S. McGuire.

75. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of any disclosable pecuniary interest were received.

76. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 22 January 2015 be approved as a correct record.

77. MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS

Mayoral Charity Cabaret Dinner – 14 March 2015

The Mayor reminded Members that the Mayoral Charity Cabaret Dinner would be held on Saturday 14 March 2015 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.

Retirement of Peter Morgan, Deputy Chief Executive

The Mayor reported that that this would be the last Council meeting that Peter Morgan, Deputy Chief Executive, would attend before he retired from Local Government Service in April 2015.

Peter had had a long and distinguished local government career spanning nearly 40 years, starting in Liverpool City Council in 1976, moving to Blackburn with Darwen Council in 1998 before joining Sefton in 2009.

For most of this period, Peter had worked in the field of improving outcomes for children, young people and families although his contribution to wider regeneration and community development had been extensive. He had even had a stint as a bin man in Bootle before going to University. A very diverse career!

In September 2009, Peter came to Sefton as Strategic Director (and Statutory Director of Children's Services) and for the last 3 years he had been the Deputy Chief Executive.

Peter had an incredible local and national reputation for creativity and innovation and a strong sense of purpose to improve the quality of life for local people. He had also been a lifelong Bootle and Crosby resident, bringing with him a unique insight into local heritage and culture. He had become one of the most respected Officers of the Council, who was held in high regard and respected by staff, colleagues and Councillors alike.

On behalf of the Council, The Mayor extended best wishes to Peter for a happy and healthy retirement and thanked him for the fantastic contribution he had made to Sefton and local government.

Councillors P. Dowd, Brodie – Browne and Dutton on behalf of their political groups expressed their support for the best wishes and thanks expressed by the Mayor to Peter Morgan.

78. MATTERS RAISED BY THE PUBLIC

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

79. QUESTIONS RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

The Council considered a schedule setting out the written questions submitted by:

- Councillor S. McGuire to the Leader of the Council (Councillor P. Dowd)
- Councillor Dawson to the Cabinet Member – Older People and Health (Councillor Cummins)

- Councillor Dawson to the Cabinet Member – Children, Schools, Families and Leisure (Councillor Moncur)

together with the responses given. A supplementary question from Councillor Dawson was responded to by the Cabinet Member – Older People.

80. PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS - 2015/16 MUNICIPAL YEAR

Further to Minute No. 61 of the Cabinet meeting held on 5 February 2015, the Council considered the report of the Director of Corporate Services which provided details of the proposed Programme of Meetings for the 2015/16 Municipal Year.

It was moved by Councillor P. Dowd, seconded by Councillor Maher and

RESOLVED: That:

- (1) the Programme of Meetings for the Council; Member Briefing Sessions; Regulatory Committees; Overview and Scrutiny Committees and Area Committees for 2015/16 as set out in Annexes B, C and D of the report be approved; and
- (2) the Programme of Meetings for the Cabinet; Public Engagement and Consultation Panel; Sefton Safer Communities Partnership; and the Health and Wellbeing Board for 2015/16 as set out in Annexes A and E of the report be noted.

81. PAY POLICY

Further to Minute No. 59 of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 5 February 2015, the Council considered the report of the Head of Corporate Personnel on the proposed Pay Policy which had been produced in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 and the statutory guidance produced by the Department of Communities and Local Government.

It was moved by Councillor P. Dowd, seconded by Councillor Maher and

RESOLVED:

That the proposed Pay Policy set out in Annex A to the report be approved.

82. TREASURY MANAGEMENT POLICY AND STRATEGY 2015/16

Further to Minute No. 67 of the Cabinet meeting held on 26 February 2015, the Council considered the report of the Head of Corporate Finance and ICT which provided details of the proposed procedures and strategy to be adopted in respect of the Council's Treasury Management Function in 2015/16.

It was moved by Councillor P. Dowd, seconded by Councillor Maher and

RESOLVED: That approval be given to:

- (1) the Treasury Management Policy Document for 2015/16 as set out in Annex A of the report;
- (2) the Treasury Management Strategy Document for 2015/16 as set out in Annex B of the report;
- (3) the amendment to the banking arrangements contained within the Financial Procedure Rules of the Constitution as referred to in paragraph 3 and Annex A of the report; and
- (4) the option set out in paragraph 4.4 of the report being used as the basis for the calculation of the Minimum Revenue Provision for Debt Repayment in 2015/16.

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

Further to Minute No. 68 of the Cabinet meeting held on 26 February 2015, the Council considered the report of the Head of Corporate Finance and ICT on proposals to establish the Prudential Indicators required under the Prudential Code for 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 for Capital Finance in Local Authorities.

It was moved by Councillor P. Dowd, seconded by Councillor Maher and

RESOLVED: That:

- (1) the Prudential Indicators as detailed in the report, and summarised in Annex A, be approved as the basis for compliance with The Prudential Code for Capital Finance in Local Authorities;
- (2) approval be given to the amendment of relevant Prudential Indicators in the event that any unsupported borrowing is approved, as part of the 2015/16 Revenue Budget;
- (3) it be noted that estimates of capital expenditure referred to in paragraph 2.2 of the report may change as grant allocations are received; and
- (4) the Head of Corporate Finance and ICT be granted delegated authority to manage the Authorised Limit and Operational Boundary for external debt as detailed in Section 5 of the report.

84. CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2014/15 AND CAPITAL ALLOCATIONS 2015/16

Further to Minute No. 69 of the Cabinet meeting held on 26 February 2015, the Council considered the report of the Head of Corporate Finance and ICT which provided an update on the Capital Investment Plan 2014/15; and details of the Government Capital Allocations for 2015/16 that had been received to date and their use in the development of a new starts programme for 2015/16. The report also outlined £16.1m of new investments which were aimed to improve the facilities and services to residents throughout Sefton.

It was moved by Councillor P. Dowd, seconded by Councillor Maher and

RESOLVED:

That approval be given to the inclusion within the Capital Investment Plan, of the Capital schemes to be funded from the 2015/2016 Single Capital Pot as outlined in Appendix A and the Prudential Borrowing Scheme in Appendix B of the report.

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

The Council considered the report of the Head of Corporate Finance and ICT 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 proposals set out in the report on the Revenue Budgets 2015/16 and 2016/17 (Minute No. 86 below refers).

It was moved by Councillor P. Dowd, seconded by Councillor Maher and

RESOLVED:

That the report be noted.

86. REVENUE BUDGETS 2015 /16 AND 2016/17

Further to Minute No. 69 of the meeting held on 22 January 2015, the Council considered the report of the Head of Corporate Finance and ICT which provided the following details:

- the decisions on budget savings taken by the Council on 22 January 2015
- the recommendations from Cabinet regarding the two year financial plan and the 2015/16 Council Tax options
- summary of the draft budget recommended by the Cabinet
- summary of the budget changes included in the draft budget
- recommendations on the allocation of specific grants
- an update on the funding of schools agreed by the Schools' Forum

The report requested the Council to consider those items before determining the: Budget for 2015/16 and the two year financial plan for 2015/16 and 2016/17, setting the Council Tax increase for Sefton Council and approving the overall Council Tax resolution.

This report presented a two year budget plan, which would enable a budget for 2015/16 to be approved and identified those policy changes required to deliver a sustainable and robust two year budget plan. Due to the mixture of efficiencies and significant policy changes, some of the options would not be realised within a 12 month period and would contribute to the 2016/17 budget as illustrated in the report. This would require the implementation of major change programmes and appropriate capacity would need to be dedicated to ensure deliverability. Given the scale of the budget reductions, any slippage or underachievement would have implications for the financial management of the Council and as such, robust management and monitoring arrangements would continue to be operated.

The report included the following appendices:

- Appendix 1: List of Budget Proposals
- Appendix 2: Individual School Budgets
- Appendix 3: Draft Council budgets 2015/16 and 2016/17.

The Council also considered an update note by the Head of Corporate Finance and ICT which provided final information on the level of resource required by levying bodies, plus agreed precepts from the Police and Crime Commissioner, the Fire and Rescue Authority and local Parish Councils, and set out the draft Council Tax resolution for 2015/16.

The Leader of the Council (Councillor P. Dowd) referred to the budget cuts of £114m which had previously been agreed for the last four years and the process that had been undertaken to identify further savings of £55m for the period 2015/16 to 2016/17 as fairly and as reasonably as possible and he then outlined the recommendations set out in the report.

It was moved by Councillor P. Dowd and seconded by Councillor Maher:

“That:

- (1) approval be given to:
 - (i) the use of Section 106 money as set out in Paragraph 3.2 (a) of the report;
 - (ii) an increase in cremation and burial fees by 5% over inflation as set out in Paragraph 3.2 (b) of the report;
 - (iii) a further reduction in the CHAMPS budget as set out in Paragraph 3.2 (c) of the report;

- (iv) the capitalisation of Highways, ICT and systems development currently funded by the revenue budget, as set out in Paragraph 3.2 (d) of the report;
 - (v) an adjustment to the Medium Term Financial Plan which only allows for incremental progression in 2015/16, as set out in Paragraph 3.2 (e) of the report;
 - (vi) the cessation of discretionary support to Parishes for the Council Tax Reduction Scheme from 2016/17, as set out in Paragraph 3.2 (f) of the report; and
 - (vii) the budget assumptions regarding the changes in management arrangements and the contracted transactional services, as set out in Paragraphs 2.2.(a), 2.2.(b) and 3.2 (g) of the report;
- (2) approval be given to:
- (i) the Budget for 2015/16 and the two year financial plan covering the years 2015/16 and 2016/17 and officers be authorised to undertake the necessary actions relating to the saving associated with no incremental progression in 2016/17 and more generally all other relevant implementation associated with the Council resolutions; and
 - (ii) the undertaking of an Autumn review of the Medium Term Financial Plan, the 2016/17 Budget and service reviews as outlined in Paragraph 5.2 of the report;
- (3) approval be given to the fees and charges as proposed in the draft Council budget;
- (4) approval be given to a Council Tax increase for Sefton Council of 1.99%, as set out in Paragraph 4 of the report;
- (5) approval be given to the use of one-off resources of £1.239m in 2015/16, as set out in Paragraph 5 of the report;
- (6) approval be given to the allocation of specific grants as detailed in Paragraph 7 of the report;
- (7) the Schools' Forum decisions on the Dedicated Schools Grant be noted, as detailed in Paragraph 7 of the report; and
- (8) subject to the above, the overall Council Tax resolution as set out in the appendix to the update note by the Head of Corporate Finance and ICT be approved."

An **amendment** was moved by Councillor Brodie - Browne, seconded by Councillor Robertson that the Motion be amended by:

- “a) the replacement of the existing Residents Privileged Parking Permit scheme, with the introduction of a bi-annual permit, (with a fee of £60 i.e. equivalent to £30 per annum), with increased income of £120,000 per annum.
- b) the reduction in the Special Responsibility Allowances (SRA), resulting in savings of £77,000 as follows: -
Leader of the Council SRA from 3X to 2X
Cabinet Members SRA from 2X to X
Overview and Scrutiny Committee Chairs & Audit and Governance Committee Chair SRA from 0.5X to 0.2X
Planning Committee Chair & Licensing and Regulatory Committee Chair from X to 0.5X
(where X = the Basic Allowance).
- c) the removal of saving options as set out below: -
Option 44 (Botanic Gardens) + £45,000
Option 72 (part of The Atkinson reductions) + £180,000
Option 66 (10p increase in Pay & Display) +£ 150,000
Option 66 (Remove Southport Sunday Free Areas) + £30,000
Option 66 (New car parking charges at Botanic Gardens and Blucher Street) + £21,000
Option 66 (Removal of the refund at Dunes & Bootle leisure centres) + £100,000
Option 66 (The increase in cost of residents parking as this saving has been modified above) + £7,000
Option 66 (The removal of 30 minute free option at Southport & Bootle on street parking) + £100,000
- d) that the Council approve the submission of a proposal to the Boundary Commission (England) in order to reduce the number of Members within Sefton, and that should the application be approved, it be implemented at the earliest opportunity.
- e) that the total amount saved through the senior staffing review rise from £1.3m to £1.75m subject to a report by the Chief Executive to the Council meeting in May 2015 regarding the consequences and deliverability, and any shortfall be met from further savings identified in the Autumn Budget review and only if the review does not identify timely savings to be met from one-off resources.

The net impact of the proposed amendments will still ensure that the two year budget is balanced.”

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

FOR THE AMENDMENT:

Councillors Ball, David Barton, Jo Barton, Maria Bennett, Brodie-Browne, Cuthbertson, Dawson, Dodd, Dutton, Lord Fearn, Maureen Fearn, Hands, Jones, Keith, Lewis, Papworth, Preece, Robertson, Shaw, Weavers and Welsh.

AGAINST THE AMENDMENT:

Councillors Atkinson, Veronica Bennett, Bradshaw, Brennan, Burns, Byrom, Carr, Crabtree, Cummins, Dams, M. Dowd, P. Dowd, Fairclough, Friel, Gatherer, Grace, Hardy, John Kelly, John Joseph Kelly, Kermode, Kerrigan, Killen, Lappin, Maher, Mahon, McGinnity, McKinley, Moncur, Murphy, O'Brien, Owens, Page, Roberts, Robinson, Roche, Thompson, Tweed, Veidman, Webster and the Mayor (Councillor Cluskey).

The Mayor declared that the amendment was lost by 40 votes to 21.

A **further amendment** was moved by Councillor Lewis, seconded by Councillor Hands that the Motion be amended by:

- "a) the reduction in the combined budget for Councillor IT hardware, consumables and broadband by £26,000; and
- b) the increase in the cold weather provision for rough sleepers to go beyond the statutory requirement to open night shelters at a cost of £26,000. This would be split between the Southport centre and the one operated in Liverpool, which serves rough sleepers from the south of Sefton."

In accordance with Rule 95 of Chapter 4 in the Constitution, the voting on the amendment was recorded and the Members of the Council present at the time, voted as follows:

FOR THE AMENDMENT:

Councillors Atkinson, Ball, David Barton, Jo Barton, Maria Bennett, Veronica Bennett, Bradshaw, Brennan, Brodie-Browne, Burns, Byrom, Carr, Crabtree, Cummins, Cuthbertson, Dams, Dawson, Dodd, M. Dowd, P. Dowd, Dutton, Fairclough, Lord Fearn, Maureen Fearn, Friel, Gatherer, Grace, Hands, Hardy, Jones, Keith, John Kelly, John Joseph Kelly, Kermode, Kerrigan, Killen, Lappin, Lewis, P. Maguire, Maher, Mahon, McGinnity, McKinley, Moncur, Murphy, O'Brien, Owens, Page, Papworth, Preece, Roberts, Robertson, Robinson, Roche, Shaw, Thompson, Tweed, Veidman, Weavers, Webster, Welsh and the Mayor (Councillor Cluskey).

AGAINST THE AMENDMENT:

None.

The Mayor declared that the amendment was carried unanimously by 62 votes to none.

A **further amendment** was moved by Councillor Robertson, seconded by Councillor Keith that the Motion be amended as follows:

“Should there be an underspend in the Authority’s revenue budget for 2014/15, that the Council approve that the first £250,000 be transferred to a reserve specifically earmarked for the purposes of establishing a Community Library Support Fund to which groups looking to operate a community library may bid.”

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

FOR THE AMENDMENT:

Councillors Ball, David Barton, Jo Barton, Maria Bennett, Brodie-Browne, Cuthbertson, Dawson, Dodd, Dutton, Lord Fearn, Maureen Fearn, Hands, Jones, Keith, Lewis, Papworth, Preece, Robertson, Shaw, Weavers and Welsh.

AGAINST THE AMENDMENT:

Councillors Atkinson, Veronica Bennett, Bradshaw, Brennan, Burns, Byrom, Carr, Crabtree, Cummins, Dams, M. Dowd, P. Dowd, Fairclough, Friel, Gatherer, Grace, Hardy, John Kelly, John Joseph Kelly, Kermode, Kerrigan, Killen, Lappin, P. Maguire, Maher, Mahon, McGinnity, McKinley, Moncur, Murphy, O’Brien, Owens, Page, Roberts, Robinson, Roche, Thompson, Tweed, Veidman, Webster and the Mayor (Councillor Cluskey).

The Mayor declared that the amendment was lost by 41 votes to 21.

A **further amendment** was moved by Councillor P. Dowd, seconded by Councillor Brodie - Browne that the Motion be amended as follows:

“That the Council endeavours to establish a further round of community support initiative resources at the earliest opportunity.”

In accordance with Rule 95 of Chapter 4 in the Constitution, the voting on the amendment was recorded and the Members of the Council present at the time, voted as follows:

FOR THE AMENDMENT:

Councillors Atkinson, Ball, David Barton, Jo Barton, Maria Bennett, Veronica Bennett, Bradshaw, Brennan, Brodie-Browne, Burns, Byrom,

Carr, Crabtree, Cummins, Cuthbertson, Dams, Dawson, Dodd, M. Dowd, P. Dowd, Dutton, Fairclough, Lord Fearn, Maureen Fearn, Friel, Gatherer, Grace, Hands, Hardy, Jones, Keith, John Kelly, John Joseph Kelly, Kermode, Kerrigan, Killen, Lappin, Lewis, P. Maguire, Maher, Mahon, McGinnity, McKinley, Moncur, Murphy, O'Brien, Owens, Page, Papworth, Preece, Roberts, Robertson, Robinson, Roche, Shaw, Thompson, Tweed, Veidman, Weavers, Webster, Welsh and the Mayor (Councillor Cluskey).

AGAINST THE AMENDMENT:

None.

The Mayor declared that the amendment was carried unanimously by 62 votes to none.

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

FOR THE SUBSTANTIVE MOTION:

Councillors Atkinson, Veronica Bennett, Bradshaw, Brennan, Burns, Byrom, Carr, Crabtree, Cummins, Dams, M. Dowd, P. Dowd, Fairclough, Friel, Gatherer, Grace, Hardy, John Kelly, John Joseph Kelly, Kermode, Kerrigan, Killen, Lappin, P. Maguire, Maher, Mahon, McGinnity, McKinley, Moncur, Murphy, O'Brien, Owens, Page, Roberts, Robinson, Roche, Thompson, Tweed, Veidman, Webster and the Mayor (Councillor Cluskey).

AGAINST THE SUBSTANTIVE MOTION:

Councillors Ball, David Barton, Jo Barton, Brodie-Browne, Cuthbertson, Dawson, Dodd, Dutton, Lord Fearn, Maureen Fearn, Hands, Jones, Keith, Lewis, Papworth, Preece, Robertson, Shaw, Weavers and Welsh.

The Mayor declared that the Substantive Motion was carried by 41 votes to 20 and it was

RESOLVED:

That:

- (1) approval be given to:
 - (i) the use of Section 106 money as set out in Paragraph 3.2 (a) of the report;
 - (ii) an increase in cremation and burial fees by 5% over inflation as set out in Paragraph 3.2 (b) of the report;
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- (2) approval be given to:
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- (5) approval be given to the use of one-off resources of £1.239m in 2015/16, as set out in Paragraph 5 of the report;
- (6) approval be given to the allocation of specific grants as detailed in Paragraph 7 of the report;
- (7) the Schools' Forum decisions on the Dedicated Schools Grant be noted as detailed in Paragraph 7 of the report;
- (8) the combined budget for Councillor IT hardware, consumables and broadband be reduced by £26,000 and the budget saving be utilised to provide an increase in the cold weather provision for rough sleepers to go beyond the statutory requirement to open night shelters at a cost of £26,000. This would be split between the

Southport centre and the one operated in Liverpool, which serves rough sleepers from the south of Sefton;

- (9) the Council endeavours to establish a further round of community support initiative resources at the earliest opportunity.
- (10) it be noted that at its meeting on 22 January 2015, the Council calculated the following amounts for the year 2015/16 in accordance with the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) (England) Regulations 1992 (as amended):
- (a) 78,319.00 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	Council Tax Base (Band D Equivalent Properties)
Aintree Village	1,961.31
Formby	8,907.71
Hightown	837.33
Ince Blundell	157.18
Little Altcar	261.16
Lydiate	1,996.25
Maghull	6,371.68
Melling	955.64
Sefton	225.23
Thornton	742.33

- (11) the Council calculates that the Council Tax requirement for the Council's own purposes for 2015/16 (excluding Parish Precepts) is £103,193,114;
- (12) the following amounts be calculated by the Council for the year 2015/2016 in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992:

(a)	£596,441,590	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)	-£492,354,249	Being the aggregate amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3) of the Act.
(c)	£104,087,341	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).

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(d)	£1,329.02	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)	£894,227	Being the aggregate amount of all special items (Parish Precepts) referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act.																																																																							
(f)	£1,317.60	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)	<p>The amounts below, being the amounts given by adding to the amount at 3(f) above the amounts of the special 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 basic amounts of its Council Tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which special items relate.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Parish</th> <th>£</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Aintree Village</td> <td>1,371.14</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Formby</td> <td>1,323.90</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Hightown</td> <td>1,323.03</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ince Blundell</td> <td>1,327.06</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Little Altcar</td> <td>1,327.17</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Lydiate</td> <td>1,383.31</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Maghull</td> <td>1,406.45</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Melling</td> <td>1,338.53</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sefton</td> <td>1,330.02</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Thornton</td> <td>1,323.66</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Parish	£	Aintree Village	1,371.14	Formby	1,323.90	Hightown	1,323.03	Ince Blundell	1,327.06	Little Altcar	1,327.17	Lydiate	1,383.31	Maghull	1,406.45	Melling	1,338.53	Sefton	1,330.02	Thornton	1,323.66																																																	
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Little Altcar	884.78	1,032.24	1,179.71	1,327.17	1,622.10	1,917.02	2,211.95	2,654.34
Lydiate	922.21	1,075.91	1,229.61	1,383.31	1,690.71	1,998.11	2,305.52	2,766.62
Maghull	937.63	1,093.91	1,250.18	1,406.45	1,718.99	2,031.54	2,344.08	2,812.90
Melling	892.35	1,041.08	1,189.80	1,338.53	1,635.98	1,933.43	2,230.88	2,677.06
Sefton	886.68	1,034.46	1,182.24	1,330.02	1,625.58	1,921.14	2,216.70	2,660.04
Thornton	882.44	1,029.51	1,176.59	1,323.66	1,617.81	1,911.95	2,206.10	2,647.32
All Other Parts of the Council's Area	878.40	1,024.80	1,171.20	1,317.60	1,610.40	1,903.20	2,196.00	2,635.20

- (13) it be noted that for the year 2015/16 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:

Proportion of Band D	Property Valuation Band							
	A 6/9	B 7/9	C 8/9	D 9/9	E 11/9	F 13/9	G 15/9	H 18/9
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
<u>Precepting Authority</u>								
Merseyside Fire & Rescue Authority	47.65	55.59	63.53	71.47	87.35	103.23	119.12	142.94
Merseyside Police and Crime Commissioner	106.45	124.20	141.94	159.68	195.16	230.65	266.13	319.36

- (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 2015/16 for each part of its area and for each of the categories of dwellings:

Proportion of Band D	Property Valuation Band							
	A 6/9	B 7/9	C 8/9	D 9/9	E 11/9	F 13/9	G 15/9	H 18/9
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
<u>Parish</u>								
Aintree Village	1,068.19	1,246.23	1,424.26	1,602.29	1,958.35	2,314.42	2,670.48	3,204.58
Formby	1,036.70	1,209.49	1,382.27	1,555.05	1,900.61	2,246.18	2,591.75	3,110.10

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Hightown	1,036.12	1,208.81	1,381.50	1,554.18	1,899.55	2,244.92	2,590.30	3,108.36
Ince Blundell	1,038.81	1,211.95	1,385.08	1,558.21	1,904.47	2,250.74	2,597.02	3,116.42
Little Altcar	1,038.88	1,212.03	1,385.18	1,558.32	1,904.61	2,250.90	2,597.20	3,116.64
Lydiate	1,076.31	1,255.70	1,435.08	1,614.46	1,973.22	2,331.99	2,690.77	3,228.92
Maghull	1,091.73	1,273.70	1,455.65	1,637.60	2,001.50	2,365.42	2,729.33	3,275.20
Melling	1,046.45	1,220.87	1,395.27	1,569.68	1,918.49	2,267.31	2,616.13	3,139.36
Sefton	1,040.78	1,214.25	1,387.71	1,561.17	1,908.09	2,255.02	2,601.95	3,122.34
Thornton	1,036.54	1,209.30	1,382.06	1,554.81	1,900.32	2,245.83	2,591.35	3,109.62
<u>All Other Parts of the Council's Area</u>	1,032.50	1,204.59	1,376.67	1,548.75	1,892.91	2,237.08	2,581.25	3,097.50

- (15) and the Council's basic amount of Council Tax for 2015/16 is not deemed to be excessive in accordance with the principles approved under Section 52ZB of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.

87. MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES 2014/15

No changes to the Membership of Committees were made.