# MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNCIL OFFICES, STATION ROAD, WIGSTON ON TUESDAY, 17 JANUARY 2017 COMMENCING AT 6.15 PM

### **IN ATTENDANCE:**

Mayor - Councillor Robert F Eaton Deputy Mayor - Councillor Mrs Samia Z Haq

## COUNCILLORS (18):

G S Atwal D M Carter R E Fahey Ms K M Chalk D A Gamble Miss A R Bond G A Boulter M H Charlesworth J Kaufman J W Boyce M L Darr Mrs H E Loydall Mrs L M Broadley B Dave K J Loydall F S Broadley Mrs S B Morris Mrs L Eaton

## **OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE (5):**

S J Ball Ms J Griffith Mrs A E Court M W L Hall Ms S Lane

Min Ref.	Narrative	Officer Resp.
64.	CALLING TO ORDER OF THE MEETING	
	The meeting of the Council was called to order to receive His Worship The Mayor and Deputy Mayor.	
	A minute's silence was observed in memory of the late former Mayor (2003-2004) and Councillor of the Borough Council of Oadby and Wigston, Mr Peter Valentine.	
65.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	
	An apology for absence was received from Councillors E R Barr, L A Bentley, Miss M V Chamberlain, Dr T K Khong, R E R Morris and R H Thakor.	
66.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	
	None.	
	Councillors F S Broadley, Mrs L M Broadley and Ms K M Chalk entered the Chamber at 6.21 pm.	
67.	COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT SCHEME	
	The Council gave consideration to the report and appendices (at pages 1 - 27) and the addendum (at page 1) as delivered and summarised by the Welfare and Taxation Manager which should be read together with these minutes as a composite document.	
	The Deputy Leader of the Council, Councillor M H Charlesworth, moved recommendations 2.1.(i), 2.1.(iii), 2.2.(i) and 2.2.(ii) as set out in the report	

(at page 1).

The Leader of the Council, Councillor J W Boyce, seconded the recommendations.

The Deputy Leader acknowledged the comments received from Leicestershire County Council (at page 3) which he described as unhelpful. He further enquired as to whether the remaining six Leicestershire District and Borough Councils had adopted, or were due to adopt, the same Council Tax Support System.

The Welfare and Taxation Manger advised the remaining six Leicestershire District and Borough Councils had not adopted recommendations 2.2(i) in respect of the reduction to the capital limit for banding purposes.

#### **RESOLVED THAT:**

- (i) The Council Tax Support Scheme for 2017/18 be approved by the Council.
- (a) The level of maximum Council Tax Support for working age customers remain at 85%; and
- (b) Delegated authority be given to the Section 151 Officer to adjust the Council Tax Support Scheme annually with regard to the uprating of personal allowances and premiums and changes to the Universal Credit Scheme affecting the Council Tax Support Scheme as announced by Central Government.
- (ii) The following changes as part of the Council Tax Support Scheme be adopted.
- (a) To reduce the capital limit to £6,000; and
- (b) To restrict the amount of the Council Tax Support (CTS) award to Council Tax Band D (insofar as anyone who applies for CTS who lives in a property banded E to H would have their CTS calculated as though they were in a Band D property).

Votes For 19 Votes Against 0 Abstentions 1

#### THE MEETING CLOSED AT 6.31 PM

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MAYOR	
THURSDAY. 23 FEBRUA	ARY 2017