

POLICY COMMITTEE

6.30pm on Tuesday 19th July 2016 Belle Vue Suite, Belle Vue Square, Broughton Road, Skipton

Committee Members: Councillors

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<u>Substitutes</u>: Conservatives – Graham, Thompson and Whitaker; Independents – Pighills,

Solloway and Shuttleworth; Labour - Mercer and Rose.

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for absence and substitutes
- 2. Confirmation of Minutes 7th June 2016 attached.
- 3. <u>Public Participation</u> In the event that any questions/statements are received or members of the public attend, the public participation session will proceed for a period of up to fifteen minutes.
- **Declarations of Interest** All Members are invited to declare at this point any interests they have in items appearing on this agenda, including the nature of those interests and whether they wish to apply the exception below.

(Note: Declarations should be in the form of:

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5. Outturn Revenue Budget Monitoring 2015/16 – Report of the Strategic Manager for Financial Services (S.151 Officer). Attached

Purpose of Report – To advise Members of the final revenue budget position of the Council, (subject to audit) of income and expenditure to the end of March 2016.

Treasury Management Outturn 2015/16 – Report of the Strategic Manager for Financial Services (S.151 Officer). Attached.

Purpose of Report – To inform Members of the treasury activity undertaken in the year in the context of current and forecast economic climates.

7. <u>Council Tax Exemption for Empty and Unoccupied Properties 2017/18 and Beyond</u> – Report of the Corporate Head – Business Support. Attached.

Purpose of Report – To review options regarding the current council tax exemption for empty and unfurnished properties.

8. <u>Council Tax Reduction Scheme for 2017/18</u> – Report of the Corporate Head – Business Support. Attached.

Purpose of Report – To review options regarding the current council tax reduction scheme.

9. Waste Collection Arrangements – Report of the Director of Services. Attached.

Purpose of Report – To inform Members of the alternative waste collection options available to mitigate the loss in re-cyclate income and seek approval to introduce a comingled collection of glass, cans, plastics, paper and cardboard with effect from April 2017 subject to a satisfactory TEEP Assessement.

10. <u>Negotiating Affordable Housing Contributions</u> – Report of the Strategic Manager – Planning and Regeneration. Attached.

Purpose of Report – To seek approval of revised guidance on the Council's approach to negotiating affordable housing contributions in connection with planning applications for residential development.

11. <u>Grassington Business Improvement District</u> – Report of the Strategic Manager – Planning and Regeneration. Attached.

Purpose of Report – To introduce the concept of a Grassington Business Improvement District and request £7,000 towards the costs of supporting the development stage of a BID.

- **12. Acquisition** Verbal update by the Director of Services.
- **13.** <u>Items for Confirmation</u> The Committee is asked to indicate whether any of the above items should be referred to Council for confirmation.
- **14.** Any other items which the Chairman decides are urgent in accordance with Section 100B(4) of the Local Government Act 1972.

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