

BUDGET PANEL

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COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Councillor J Dhindsa (Chair)
Councillor S Rackett (Vice-Chair)
Councillors J Aron, G Derbyshire, S Greenslade, P Jeffree, A Khan, R Martins and P Taylor

AGENDA

PART A - OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE/COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP
- 2. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS (IF ANY)
- 3. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 12 June 2012 to be submitted and signed.

4. REVIEW OF THE CORPORATE RECHARGE SYSTEM (To Follow)

Presentation explaining how the Council's Corporate Recharge System works

5. **LOCALISATION OF COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT** (Pages 1 - 16)

Report of the Head of Strategic Finance

This report provides an update on progress in devising a local scheme to provide support to Council Tax payers and outlines the consultation process that will occur.

6. INCOME POLICY REVIEW (Pages 17 - 52)

Report of the Head of Strategic Finance

This report informs the Budget Panel on income charging policy considerations.

7. SUMMARY OF THE FINANCIAL OUTTURN 2011/2012 (Pages 53 - 80)

Report of the Head of Strategic Finance

This report informs the Budget Panel of the revenue and capital outturns for 2011/2012 and will subsequently be reported to Cabinet on 17th September.

8. FINANCE DIGEST 2012/2013: PERIOD 4 (END OF JULY) (Pages 81 - 104)

Report of the Head of Strategic Finance

This report informs the Budget Panel of the reported budgetary variances as at end of July 2012.

9. DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS

- Tuesday 23 October 2012
- Tuesday 27 November 2012
- Wednesday 16 January 2013