

CANNOCK CHASE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE

CABINET

**THURSDAY, 25 FEBRUARY, 2010 AT 4.30 P.M.
AND RECONVENED ON WEDNESDAY, 3 MARCH 2010 AT 3.00 P.M.**

IN THE CIVIC CENTRE, BEECROFT ROAD, CANNOCK

PART 1

PRESENT: Councillors

Stanley, N.K.	Leader of the Council
Davies, D.N.	Access to Education, Skills and Employment Portfolio Leader
Grocott, M.R.	Culture, Sport and Services for Children & Young People Portfolio Leader
Williams, A.	Environmental Sustainability and Safe, Strong and Cohesive Communities Portfolios Leader
Yates, Ms. W.	Healthier Communities and Older People Portfolio Leader

131. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor M.P. Freeman, Deputy Leader of the Council and Housing Portfolio Leader

132. Declarations of Interests of Members in Contracts and Other Matters and Restriction on Voting by Members

There were no declarations of interests.

133. Updates from Portfolio Leaders

There were no updates from Portfolio Leaders.

134. Budget 2010-11 to 2012-13

In light of the short period of time between Council's referral back to Cabinet and the meeting being convened, the Leader advised that the meeting would be adjourned until 3.00pm on Wednesday, 3 March, 2010. This would allow Cabinet sufficient time to examine the budget referrals and finalise its recommendations to be proposed to the Second Council Meeting, which was scheduled at 4.00pm on 3 March, 2010.

RESOLVED:

That the meeting be adjourned until 3.00pm on Wednesday, 3 March, 2010, to allow Cabinet sufficient time to examine the budget referrals and finalise its recommendations to be proposed to the Second Council Meeting, which was scheduled at 4.00pm on 3 March, 2010.

The meeting was adjourned at 4.35 pm.

The meeting reconvened on 3 March 2010. The following Councillors were present:-

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Grocott, M.R.	Culture, Sport and Services for Children & Young People Portfolio Leader
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137. Budget 2010-11 to 2012-13

Consideration was given to the Alternative Budgets referred back by Council at its meeting on 24 February 2010

(A) General Fund Revenue Budget 2010-11 to 2012-13

RESOLVED:

That Cabinet noted the Alternative Budgets referred back by Council at its meeting on 24 February, 2010, and Council be recommended to:-

- (i) Set a 2010-11 Council Tax for District Council purposes of £197.01, (Band D property), an increase of 2.8% over the current year.
- (ii) Support the proposals for service developments set out at Annex 1 attached.
- (iii) Support the proposals for savings set out at Annex 2 attached.
- (iv) Approve indicative Council Tax increases of 4.0% in 2011-12 and 4.0% in 2012-13.
- (v) As a result of the above, approve the outturn budget for 2009-10 and the three year budget for 2010-11 to 2012-13 as set out at Annex 3 attached.

Reason for the Decision

In order that Council on 3 March 2010 could consider the Cabinet's recommended balanced Budget for 2010-11 to 2012-13.

(B) General Fund Capital Programme 2009-10 and Resources 2009-10 to 2012-13

RESOLVED:

That Cabinet noted the Alternative Budgets referred back by Council at its meeting on 24 February, 2010, and Council be recommended to:-

- (i) Approve the inclusion of the Additional Cemetery Provision together with the Wheeled Bin Container Provision for Dry Recyclable Waste Collection in the General Fund Capital Programme.
- (ii) Approve the General Fund Capital Budget 2009-10 to 2012-13 as attached at Annex 4.
- (iii) Note the revised uncommitted resources available as set out at Annex 5.

Reason for the Decision

In order that Council on 3 March 2010 could consider the Cabinet's recommended balanced Budget for 2010-11 to 2012-13.

The meeting closed at 3.03 p.m.

LEADER

Annex 1**Financial Plan 2010-11 to 2012-13**
Growth Options Allowed in the Budget

		2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
		Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
		£	£	£
KL07	Wheeled Bin Container Provision for Dry Recyclable Waste	22,200	22,200	22,200
KL09	Bereavement Services Service Plan	15,000	15,000	0
KL10	Green Flag Award 2009-10	2,200	0	0
ME04 a	Leisure - Private Sector Partner Options (*)	100,000	50,000	0
PL10	Workforce Development Strategy	20,000	20,000	20,000
PL11	Economic Downturn	40,000	25,000	25,000
	Additional Cemetery Provision (*)	50,000	0	90,000
	Total	<u>249,400</u>	<u>132,200</u>	<u>157,200</u>

(*) - Requires further report to Cabinet

Annex 2**Financial Plan 2010-11 to 2012-13
Saving Options Taken From Budget**

		2010-11 Estimate £	2011-12 Estimate £	2012-13 Estimate £
CE01	Chairmans AGM Dinner	2,000	2,030	2,060
CE05	Chairmans Hospitality	2,000	2,000	2,000
CE07	Leaders Hospitality	500	500	500
CS04	Shopmobility Contract - Revise (*)	13,000	30,000	30,000
CS07	Review of Counter Services Function #	0	0	0
GV02	Deletion of Long Service Awards	3,160	3,220	3,270
KL02	Car Park - Charges	0	102,000	102,000
KL03	Community Safety Efficiency	0	16,940	17,110
LT01	Dial-A-Ride - Cease	80,000	80,000	80,000
ME04a	Leisure - Private Sector Partner Options (*)	0	0	380,000
ME07	Reduce Arts Development Programme	10,000	10,000	10,000
PL01	Senior Planner - Delete One Post	39,150	40,030	40,640
PL06	Economic Development (Tourism) Budget	5,000	5,000	5,000
PL07	Planning - Technical Support / Admin Post - Delete 1 of 2	7,060	11,130	11,310
PL09	Market Traders - Reduce Access to Cannock Market Hall	-310	6,370	6,510
PR01	Chase Matters - Self Fund Publications	17,000	17,260	17,520
SH02	Delete Contribution to Implementation of Homelessness Act	7,490	7,890	8,300
SS01	Review of Street Warden / Env. Enforcement Functions	60,110	104,140	102,570
	Rationalisation of Bin Collection System -Post Dry Recyclable Waste *	0	0	0
	Deletion of Funding Vacant Post - PR and Marketing	32,660	34,400	35,030
	Total	278,820	472,910	853,820

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post trial implementation

General Fund Revenue Budget 2009-10 to 2012-13

Council Recommendation

	Forecast Outturn 2009-10 £m	Standstill Budget 2010-11 £m	Standstill Budget 2011-12 £m	Standstill Budget 2012-13 £m
Original Budget 2009-10	14.632			
Standstill Budget 2009-10 to 2012-13		14.741	15.040	15.040
Supplementary Estimates since Original Budget Approval				
Additional Election - Vacancy	0.009			
Costs Awarded - Planning Appeal	0.035			
Equal Pay Claim	0.076			
Rollovers	0.241			
Annual Leave	0.019	0.015	0.015	0.016
Approved Budget				
Committed Changes				
District Elections		0.055	0.102	-0.069
Benefits Administration				0.017
Stadium	0.020			
Likely Additional Commitments				
Increments				0.150
NI Contributions			0.050	0.050
Chase Leisure Centre - Pool		0.286	0.638	0.586
NNDR Revaluation		0.012	0.013	0.019
Demographic Changes				
Refuse & Recycling				0.014
Concessionary Fares				0.020
Pension contributions Gross				0.057
HRA Recharges				-0.010
2010 Actuarial Valuation - Gross				0.057
HRA Recharges				-0.010
LABGI	-0.021			
Civil Parking Enforcement				-0.036
Place Survey			-0.017	
Staffing reviews	-0.055	-0.012	-0.012	-0.029
Inflation				
Pay Award/Inflation adj	-0.168	-0.519	-0.743	-0.603
Total Base Budget	14.788	14.579	15.087	15.269

General Fund Revenue Budget 2009-10 to 2012-13

Council Recommendation

	Forecast Outturn 2009-10 £m	Standstill Budget 2010-11 £m	Standstill Budget 2011-12 £m	Standstill Budget 2012-13 £m
Potential Changes and Adjustments				
Base Budget Review				
Expenditure				
Turnover	-0.150	-0.050	-0.050	-0.050
Rates	0.013	0.013	0.013	0.013
Interest	0.090		0.040	0.040
Concessionary fares	-0.120	-0.100	-0.105	-0.110
Energy Costs	0.158	0.158		
HRA Recharges	0.039	0.073	0.055	0.000
Item 8 recharges	0.084	0.112	-0.050	-0.050
Insurances	-0.042			
Managers Variations	-0.025	0.081	-0.040	0.022
Income				
Rebate Subsidy	-0.100	-0.100	-0.100	-0.100
Planning delivery grant				0.050
Prince of Wales	0.020	0.020	0.020	0.020
Income - Development related fees				
Planning - Fees Net	0.051	0.163		
Markets -Income Net	0.001	0.021	0.008	0.002
Building control - Fees Net	0.046	0.072		
Car Park Income	0.120	0.120	0.120	0.120
Land Charges	0.030	0.030		
Leisure Centres Income	0.064	0.070	0.070	0.070
Industrial Estates	0.024	0.024	0.014	0.014
Golf Course	0.015			
Efficiency Savings				
Equipment and other controllable budgets		-0.095	-0.097	-0.097
Corporate & Support		-0.201	-0.232	-0.242
Policy Options				
Growth		0.249	0.132	0.157
Savings		-0.279	-0.473	-0.854
Estimated Net Spending	15.106	14.960	14.412	14.274

General Fund Revenue Budget 2009-10 to 2012-13

Council Recommendation

	Forecast Outturn 2009-10 £m	Standstill Budget 2010-11 £m	Standstill Budget 2011-12 £m	Standstill Budget 2012-13 £m
Financing				
Anticipated Grant Income, Use of Balances & Reserves				
Balances	0.841	-0.009	-0.138	-0.120
Regeneration & Invest to Save Reserve		0.286	0.638	
Actuarial Valuation	0.263	0.169	0.095	0.053
Interim use	-0.228	0.098	-0.318	-0.108
Collection Fund Surplus	0.036	-0.021		
RSG/NNDR	8.429	8.518	7.918	7.918
Council Tax	5.765	5.919	6.217	6.531
Total Grant Income, Use of Balances & Reserves	15.106	14.960	14.412	14.274
Amount to be found from Council Tax	5.765	5.919	6.217	6.531
	30,080	30,044	30,344	30,648
Estimated Council Tax Level	191.64	197.01	204.89	213.08
Estimated Council Tax Increase	3.90%	2.80%	4.00%	4.00%
Balances				
Opening Balances at 1 April	1.664	0.823	0.832	0.970
Use of Balances to Support Budget	0.841	-0.009	-0.138	-0.120
Closing Balances at 31 March	0.823	0.832	0.970	1.090

General Fund Capital Approved Budget
2010-11 to 2012-13

	2010-11 Budget £	2011-12 Budget £	2012-13 Budget £
Children and Young People			
Chase Leisure Centre Remodelling	500,000	6,500,000	
Parks Footpath Refurbishment	8,630		
Rugeley Leisure Centre Pool	71,980		
Children and Young People	<u>580,610</u>	<u>6,500,000</u>	<u>0</u>
Safer and Stronger Communities			
Home Security Grants	32,000	36,000	36,000
Safer and Stronger Communities	<u>32,000</u>	<u>36,000</u>	<u>36,000</u>
Healthier Communities, Housing and Older people			
Disabled Facility Grants	495,000	375,000	375,000
Private Sector Decent Homes	322,390		
Affordable Housing	759,000		
Contribution to RSL's	450,000	1,350,000	2,149,540
Elizabeth Road Redevelopment	961,000	333,330	185,670
Healthier Communities, Housing and Older people	<u>2,987,390</u>	<u>2,058,330</u>	<u>2,710,210</u>
Environment			
Additional Cemetery Provision			1,500,000
Wheelie Bins	800,000		
Environment	<u>800,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,500,000</u>
Access to Skills Economic Development and Enterprise			
Stadium Demolition	8,000		
High Green Access and Area Improvements	10,370		
Access to Skills Economic Development and Enterprise	<u>18,370</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total General Fund Capital	<u>4,418,370</u>	<u>8,594,330</u>	<u>4,246,210</u>

Cannock Chase CouncilStatement of Estimated Capital Resources - 2010-11 to 2012-13General Fund & General Fund Housing

	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
	Available Resources £	Available Resources £	Available Resources £	Available Resources £
Uncommitted Resources from Previous Yec	2,967,969	2,645,688	637,718	735,188
Prudential Borrowing		800,000	6,500,000	1,500,000
Prudential Borrowing - Borrowing Repayment		-1,500,000		-250,000
Specified Capital Grant (DFG)				
DFG	300,000	225,000	225,000	225,000
Regional Housing Pot	56,000			
Capital Receipts (*)				
Bungalows	909,203	715,000	1,080,000	1,087,500
RTB	276,296	170,400	886,800	901,200
Other				250,000
Other Sources				
Sport England	30,000	500,000		
Staffordshire County Council		1,500,000		
Town Centre Development	80,000			
Total (Local) Resources	<u>4,619,467</u>	<u>5,056,088</u>	<u>9,329,518</u>	<u>4,448,888</u>
Less				
Committed General Fund Expenditure	1,973,780	4,418,370	8,594,330	4,246,210
Uncommitted Resources	<u>2,645,687</u>	<u>637,718</u>	<u>735,188</u>	<u>202,678</u>

* These amounts are subject to future land sales