Reports from Cabinet and Committees

d) Cabinet – 7 February 2023

Council Budget for 2023/24 and Medium-Term Financial Plan 2023/24 – 2026/27

That the following recommendations be approved by Cabinet and recommended to Council:

- 1. That the Revenue Budget 2023/24 totalling £246.689m be approved and recommended to Council.
- 2. That the Council Tax at Band D of £1,596.43 for the Milton Keynes element of the Council Tax, be approved and recommended to Council, noting that this is an increase of 4.99%, consisting of a 2.99% general increase and 2.00% Adult Social Care Precept.
- 3. That the Council Tax requirement for the Council's own purposes for 2023/24 (excluding Parish Precepts) of £150.378m, be noted.
- 4. That the estimated position for the Dedicated Schools Grant of £334.261m and the Schools block funding formula for 2023/24 be noted and the budget and formula allocations for the High Needs and Early Years blocks be approved.
- 5. That the forecast parking surplus be noted.
- 6. That the Housing Revenue Account Revenue Budget 2023/24 be approved and recommended to Council for adoption.
- 7. That increases to the Housing Revenue Account dwelling rent in 2023/24 of 11.1% for affordable rents, capped at 7% for current tenants (an average of £6.47 over 52 rent weeks), and of 4.1% for shared owners (an average of £9.18 over 52 rent weeks) be approved and recommended to Council.
- 8. That the Rent and Service Charge Policy for 2023/24 be approved and recommended to Council for adoption and accompanying Rent Affordability and Market report be noted.
- 9. That the fees and charges for 2022/23 (including those fees and charges which are exceptions to the Income and Collection Policy) be approved and recommended to Council.
- 10. That the Capital Strategy be approved and recommended to Council.
- 11. That the Capital Programme for 2023/24 to 2026/27 be approved and recommended to Council.
- 12. That the resource allocation for the 2023/24 Tariff programme be approved and recommended to Council.

- 13. That the Treasury Management Strategy for 2023/24 to 2027/28 and the Treasury Policy Statement, including the Minimum Revenue Provision Policy, Borrowing Limits be approved and recommended to Council.
- 14. That the financial forecast set out in the Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP), in relation to both resources and expenditure, be noted.
- 15. The equalities impact assessments for the Revenue Budget 2023/24 be noted.

A copy of the report considered by the Cabinet and Annexes has been circulated separately.