

Item 15 – Revenue Budget 2017/18

Liberal Democrat Group Amendment (C)

Amendment to Revenue Budget

(Constitution Reference: Budget and Policy Framework Standing Order F2.11)

Council Meeting

Thursday 23 February 2017

(Amendments shown in bold text)

Proposed Amendment:

- (ii) that the Mayor's original budget proposals presented to Council on 9 February 2017 be recommended to Council, subject to the indicative budget figures for 2018/19 being removed and that these be considered as part of the development of the Revenue Budget for 2018/19, as set out below:
 - (a) that the proposals identified for service change, income generation and efficiencies in 2017/2018, as set out in the proposed Revenue Budget Digest (excluding 2018/2019 indicative figures), be approved, **subject to the Mayor's Support Unit budget being reduced by £30,000 and that this budget be reallocated to the Discretionary Housing Payments fund to support the most vulnerable in our community.**
 - (b) that the net revenue expenditure of £109.642m resulting in a Council Tax requirement of £60.075m for 2017/2018, a 3.99% increase which includes a 2% increase in Council Tax specifically for adult social care be approved;
 - (c) that, in relation to (b) above, the Council's commitment (by a statement signed by the Chief Financial Officer) to allocate the additional funding of £1.155m raised by the 2% increase in Council Tax to adult social care be confirmed;
 - (d) that the Dedicated Schools Grant be used in accordance with the Schools Financial Regulations and that the Chief Finance Officer be authorised to make amendments as required when the final figures are confirmed;
 - (e) that, in accordance with the requirement of the Local Government Act 2003, the advice given by the Chief Finance Officer with respect to the robustness of the budget estimates and the adequacy of the Council's reserves (as set out in the submitted report) be considered and noted; and

- (f) that is be noted that Brixham Town Council has yet to set its budget for 2017/2018 and this precept, when known, will be included as part of the Torbay Council budget for Council Tax setting purposes.

Proposed: Councillor Darling (S)

Seconded: Councillor Sanders