ITEM 9

# Minute Extracts Council Cabinet

# 16 January 2019

# 158/18 Council Tax Base for 2019/20

The Council Cabinet considered a report which stated that the Council has to calculate its Council Tax base for 2019/20 as a means of raising Council Tax income for the 2019/20 financial year from Derby Council Tax payers.

The tax base is an estimated figure of the number of domestic properties expressed in terms of 'band D' equivalents in the Council's area during the financial year concerned. It is used to determine a headline charge for band D properties in the city. Charges for other bands are calculated as defined fractions of the headline charge.

The proposed Council Tax base for 2019/20 was 68,679.00 band D equivalent properties compared with the 2018/19 Council Tax base of 67,610.42. This reflected an increase in the number of domestic dwellings within the city, reduced losses to the tax base as a result of Council Tax Support awards, a reduced number of single person discounts awarded and an estimate of the number of newly built homes between 1 December 2018 and 31 March 2020.

The increase in the tax base would result in more Council Tax being collectable for the 2019/20 financial year.

The Executive Scrutiny Board noted the report.

## **Options considered**

The Council has a statutory duty to set a Council Tax base.

## **Decision**

- To approve the Council Tax base for the year 2019/20 as 68,679.00 band D equivalent properties in accordance with The Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) (England) Regulations 2012 (SI 2012/2914).
- 2. That in accordance with the methodology and estimates shown at Appendix 1, to recommend Council to approve this calculation at the Council meeting on 23 January 2019.

#### Reasons

Agreeing the Council Tax base was the first step in the process of setting the Council Tax to be collected in 2019/20 and was an essential part of establishing the 2019/20 budget.

# 161/18 Derby Economic Growth Strategy – Delivery Plan

The Council Cabinet considered a report which presented the delivery plan to address the Derby Economic Growth Strategy, 2018 – 2022 and sought approval to both the Strategy and Delivery Plan.

The Executive Scrutiny Board noted the report.

# **Options considered**

The process of creating this Strategy and Delivery Plan involved the investigation and consideration of multiple options.

#### **Decision**

- 1. To note the consultation process involved in the creation of the strategy and accompanying delivery plan and related outcomes.
- 2. To note the linkages between this strategy and various other partner's strategies.
- 3. To approve the Strategy and accompanying Delivery Plan and request Council to adopt it.

#### Reasons

- 1. This was a Strategy created through careful research and consultation with all key stakeholders, including members of the Derby Renaissance Board.
- 2. The strategy must complement and add value to the corresponding documents of the Derby: Nottingham Metro Growth Board (Metro Economic Plan), D2N2 Local Enterprise Partnership (Strategic Economic Plan) and UK Government (Local Industrial Strategy).
- 3. It was important that the Strategy received all party support from within the Council.