

COUNCIL 1 March 2017

Report of the Chief Executive

# Council Tax 2017/18

#### SUMMARY

- 1.1 At its meeting on 15 February 2017, Cabinet recommended to Council a net budget requirement of £214,978,416 for 2017/18 and agreed to increase the Council's council tax by 4.99%, including a 3% increase for the new Adult Social Care precept.
- 1.2 Under the Localism Act 2011 the Council, as a billing authority is required to calculate its council tax requirement for the year. Derby City Council's council tax requirement has been calculated as £86,424,460.
- 1.3 This report sets out the Council's council tax requirement and the total council tax for Derby City residents for 2017/18 including the precepts for Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner and Derbyshire Fire Authority. Details of the changes in council tax levels set by these two organisations are set out in paragraph 4.4.

#### RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 To note the final funding settlement and grant confirmation.
- 2.2 To note the budget requirement for Derby City Council for 2017/18 of £214,978,416 approved at Cabinet in February 2017.
- 2.3 To recommend that Council approves the Council Tax requirement for Derby City Council for 2017/18 of £86,424,460 in line with the detailed calculation presented in Appendix 2.

2.4 To recommend that Council confirms the following amounts for the year 2017/18, which are consistent with the revised net budget requirement, in accordance with Sections 31A (1) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 as amended by the Localism Act 2011:

a.	£655,386,025	being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council
		estimates for the items set out in Section 31A (2) (a) to
		(f).

- b. (£440,884,858) being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3) (a) and (d) of the Act.
- c. £86,424,460 as Council Tax requirement for the year, being the amount by which the aggregate at (a) above exceeds the aggregate at (b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31A(4) of the Act.
- d. £1,298.17 as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year, being the amount at (c) above, divided by the amount at 4.1 below, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31B of the act.

e. for the following Valuation Bands:

	£		£
A	£865.45	E	£1,586.65
В	£1,009.69	F	£1,875.13
С	£1,153.93	G	£2,163.62
D	£1,298.17	н	£2,596.34

as the amounts to be taken into account for the year, under Section 30(2)(a) of the Act, in respect of categories of dwellings listed in different valuation bands, being the amounts given by multiplying the amount at (d) above by the number which, in the proportion set out in Section 5(1) of the Act, is applicable to all dwellings listed in each particular valuation band divided by the number which in that proportion is applicable to dwellings listed in Valuation Band D, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 36(1) of the Act.

2.5 To note that for the year 2017/18, Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner has stated the following in a precept to the Council, in accordance with section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:

All dwellings in valuation band:

А	£120.40	E	£220.73
В	£140.47	F	£260.87
С	£160.53	G	£301.00
D	£180.60	Н	£361.20

2.6 To note that for the year 2017/18, Derbyshire Fire Authority has stated the following in a precept to the Council, in accordance with section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:

All dwellings in valuation band:

А	£48.39	Е	£88.71
В	£56.45	F	£104.84
С	£64.52	G	£120.97
D	£72.58	Н	£145.16

2.7 To recommend that Council sets the following amounts as the amounts of council tax for the year 2017/18 for each of the categories of dwellings shown below, being the aggregate in each case of the amounts in 2.4, 2.5 and 2.6, in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992:

All dwellings in valuation band:

А	£1,034.24	E	£1,896.09
В	£1,206.61	F	£2,240.84
С	£1,378.98	G	£2,585.59
D	£1,551.35	Н	£3,102.70

2.8 To authorise the publication of the requisite notices in accordance with the provisions of Section 38(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.

# **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION**

3.1 As a billing authority, the Council has a legal obligation to set an amount of council tax for each financial year and each category of dwellings in its area, as prescribed in the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended by the Localism Act 2011.

### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 4.1 At its meeting on 18 January, the Council calculated the Council's Tax Base for the year 2017/18 as 66,574.07 equivalent band D properties, in accordance with the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2003 (SI 2003/3012).
- 4.2 At the 18 January meeting, the Council agreed the calculation of its council tax amounts for 2017/18. These amounts have been calculated in accordance with the Local Government Finance Act 1992 as amended by the Localism Act 2011, and are set out for confirmation in paragraph 2.4(e) above.
- 4.3 Cabinet recommended to Council the budget requirement for Derby City Council for 2017/18 of £214,978,416 on 15 February 2017.
- 4.4 Under the Local Government Finance Act 1992, the Council must set an amount of council tax by taking the aggregate of the amount which has been calculated for the Council and any amounts that have been calculated in precepts issued to the Council by major precepting authorities. The Council has two major precepting authorities, Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner and Derbyshire Fire Authority. Changes to Council Tax levels of 1.99% and 1.98% have been applied by these two organisations respectively.
- 4.5 The aggregate council tax amounts by valuation band, including that of the Council and both major precepting bodies, are set out for approval in paragraphs 2.4 to 2.7 above.

# **OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

5.1 No other options considered. The Council has a statutory duty under the Local Government Finance Act 1992 to set an amount of council tax for the year 2017/18.

# This report has been approved by the following officers:

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Background papers:	<ul> <li>Reports Presented to Council Cabinet 15 February 2017:</li> <li>General Fund Revenue Budget 2017/18</li> <li>Council Tax Base for 2017/18</li> <li>Capital Budget 2017/18</li> <li>Report on the Robustness of Estimates and on the Adequacy of Reserves 2017/18</li> </ul>
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# IMPLICATIONS

#### **Financial and Value for Money**

1.1 As described in the report

#### Legal

2.1 Under the Local Government Finance Act 1992 as revised by the Localism Act 2011, the Council is required to set an amount of council tax for each financial year and each category of dwellings in its area.

#### Personnel

3.1 None directly arising

#### IT

4.1 None directly arising.

#### **Equalities Impact**

5.1 None directly arising

#### **Health and Safety**

6.1 None directly arising

#### **Environmental Sustainability**

7.1 None directly arising

#### **Property and Asset Management**

8.1 None directly arising

#### **Risk Management**

9.1 None directly arising

#### Corporate objectives and priorities for change

10.1 None directly arising

COUNCIL TAX STATUTORY CALCULATON 2017/18
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Derby City Council Budget Requirement 2017/18	R	£214,978,416
Retained Business Rates Business Rates Top Up Grant		£44,591,600 £15,291,016
Revenue Support Grant Collection Fund Surplus		£25,203,407 £114,000
New Better Care Fund Other Specific Grants		£831,861 £42,522,082
	P	£128,553,966
Council Tax Requirement	C= R-P	£86,424,450
Tax Base for Tax Setting (Band D)	Т	66,574.07
Basic Amount of Council Tax	С/Т	£1,298.17
		Derby
Band A – (Disabled) Band A	5/9 6/9	721.21
Band A Band B	6/9 7/9	865.45 1,009.69
Band C	8/9	1,153.93
Band D Band E	9/9 11/9	1,298.17 1,586.65
Band F	13/9	1,875.13
Band G Band H	15/9 18/9	2,163.62 2,596.34
Council Tax 2016/17		£1,236.47
Unadjusted Increase Band D		£61.70
Unadjusted % Increase Band D		4.99%