

EAST HERTS COUNCIL

COUNCIL – 1 MARCH 2005

REPORT BY THE EXECUTIVE MEMBER FOR FINANCE

9. COUNCIL TAX - FORMAL RESOLUTION

WARD(S) AFFECTED: All

RECOMMENDATION - that the Council Tax Resolution be approved.

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1.0 Purpose/Summary of Report

1.1 To recommend to the Council the Council Tax for the whole District, and for the Parish areas, for 2005/06.

2.0 Contribution to the Council's Corporate Objectives

2.1 Contributes to the health and sustainability of the organisation by recommending the Council Tax for the next financial year.

3.0 Background

3.1 Under Section 30 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 a Billing Authority must set its Council Tax before the 11 March in the financial year preceding that for which it is set.

4.0 Report

4.1 The proposed Council Tax for 2005/06 is set out at Appendix 'B' (pages 9 - 12). This is based on the precepts referred to in Agenda Items 7 and 8 including the District Council budgets set at Council on 23 February 2005.

4.2 Any changes notified by precepting Authorities prior to the date of the meeting will result in the tabling of an amended proposed resolution.

4.3 As previously stated, the detailed resolution is a technical matter automatically produced as a result of each relevant Council's precept.

5.0 Consultation

5.1 None.

6.0 Legal Implications

6.1 The Council would be in breach of its statutory duty if it failed to set the Council Tax.

7.0 Financial Implications

7.1 If the Council fails to set its Council Tax it will be unable to collect any Council Tax for the 2005-2006 financial year.

8.0 Human Resource Implications

8.1 None.

9.0 Risk Management Implications

9.1 None.

Background Papers

Local Government Finance Act 1992

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