

**COUNCIL**

**(Civic Centre, Port Talbot)**

**Members Present:**

**10 March, 2016**

**The Mayor:** Councillor **A.P.H.Davies**

**The Deputy Mayor:** Councillor **Mrs.S.M.Penry**

**Councillors:** H.M.Bebell, A.Carter, Mrs.A.Chaves, Ms.C.Clement-Williams, M.Crowley, D.W.Davies, Mrs.R.Davies, J.S.Evans, M.Harvey, H.N.James, Mrs.L.H.James, A.Jenkins, Mrs.D.Jones, R.G.Jones, E.V.Latham, C.Morgan, J.D.Morgan, Ms.C.Morgans, Mrs.S.Paddison, Mrs.K.Pearson, M.Protheroe, L.M.Purcell, S.Rahaman, P.A.Rees, P.D.Richards, J.Rogers, A.J.Taylor, A.H.Thomas, A.L.Thomas, J.Warman, D.Whitelock, Mrs.L.G.Williams and A.N.Woolcock

**Officers in Attendance:** S.Phillips, A.Evans, H.Jenkins, N. Jarman, Mrs.S.Rees, M.Roberts and Mrs.A.Manchipp

**Representative of the Wales Audit Office**

**Representatives of the Translation Service:** Present

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1. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

At the commencement of the meeting the Chief Executive, on behalf of the Directors and Heads of Service present, declared their interests in relation to Minute No 5 below re the Pay Policy Statement for 2016/17, which was for information only and advised Council that the Wales Audit Office had been advised of the Officers position.

## 2. **BUDGET REQUIREMENT 2016/17**

Council received an overview of the report, and was advised that this had been scrutinised by the Cabinet Scrutiny Committee and commended to Council for adoption by Cabinet held earlier in the day.

Members questioned the position relating to grants and noted that the Welsh Government had not yet confirmed the amounts that this Council would receive.

The Chief Executive agreed to write to the Auditor General advising that due to the possibility of Local Government Reorganisation, local Authorities would not have a meaningful medium term financial plan in place. Should Reorganisation take place Welsh Government would have to fund it, while the Staff Commission would need to issue guidelines.

The Leader of Council then summed up and thanked all those involved in arriving at a balanced budget within the timeframe required.

- RESOLVED:**
1. That the additional revenue settlement funding of £8.5k be added to the previously approved contingency budget;
  2. That the 2016/17 Council's Budget Requirement be £270,896,000;
  3. That the Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council's Council Tax element for 2016/17 be £1,408.09 per Band D property.

## 3. **TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY, ANNUAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY AND MINIMUM REVENUE PROVISION POLICY**

Members noted that the report had been scrutinised by the Cabinet Scrutiny Committee and commended to Council for approval, at its meeting earlier in the day.

- RESOLVED:** That the Treasury Management Strategy, Annual Investment Strategy and Minimum Revenue Provision Policy, as contained in the circulated report, be approved.

4. **COUNCIL TAX 2016/17**

- RESOLVED:**
1. That any expenses incurred by Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council in performing in part of its area, a function performed by a Community Council, elsewhere in its area, are treated as the Authority's general expenses;
  2. That the levy of the Swansea Bay Port Health Authority be treated as a general expense;
  3. That the following amounts be calculated by the Council for the year 2016/17 in accordance with Sections 32 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992:

Aggregate of the items estimated under Section 32(2) – expenditure	£419,475,034
Aggregate of the items estimated under Section 32(3) – income	£146,666,526
Amount calculated in accordance with Section 32(4) – budget requirement	£272,808,508
Aggregate payable in respect of redistributed NNDR and RSG, reduced in accordance with Section 33(3B) of the Act	£205,365,773
Basic amount of Council Tax in accordance with Section 33(1) of the Act	£1,449.19
Aggregate of all special items referred to in section 34(1) of the Act	£1,912,508
Basic Amount of Council Tax for dwellings in those parts of its area to which no special item relates, in accordance with Section 34(2) of the Act	£1,408.09
Basic amounts of Council tax for dwellings in those parts of its area to which special items bands relates, calculated in accordance with Section 34(3) of the Act	As per Appendix 1 attached hereto
Amounts to be taken into account in respect of categories of dwellings listed in different valuation, calculated in accordance with Section 36(1) of the Act	As per Appendix 2 Attached hereto

4. That the Police and Crime Commissioner for South Wales has stated the following amounts in a precept issued to the Council, in accordance with Section 40 of the Act:-

Band A	£138.57
Band B	£161.66
Band C	£184.76
Band D	£207.85
Band E	£254.04
Band F	£300.23
Band G	£346.42
Band H	£415.70
Band I	£484.99

The total precept payable is £9,673,077.

5. That having calculated the aggregate in each case above, the Council, in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Act hereby sets the amounts shown in Appendix 3 attached hereto as the Council Tax for 2016/17 for each of the categories of the dwelling shown.

5. **PAY POLICY STATEMENT 2016 / 2017**

**RESOLVED:** That the Pay Policy Statement for 2016/2017, as contained in Appendix 4 attached hereto, be approved for publication on the Council's website.

**Basic Amount of Council Tax 2016/17 (Band D)**

**App 1**

<b>Community Council Precept</b>	<b>Community Council</b>	<b>Community Council Precept</b>	<b>Council Tax Base (band D)</b>	<b>Community Council Tax</b>	<b>NPTCBC Council Tax</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>2015/16</b>		<b>2016/17</b>	<b>2016/17</b>	<b>2016/17</b>		<b>2016/17</b>
£35,535.00	Blaengwrach	£35,535.00	356.10	<b>£99.79</b>	£1,408.09	<b>£1,507.88</b>
£220,143.00	Blaenhonddan	£220,143.00	4,545.07	<b>£48.44</b>	£1,408.09	<b>£1,456.53</b>
£128,766.00	Briton Ferry	£140,360.00	1,837.87	<b>£76.37</b>	£1,408.09	<b>£1,484.46</b>
£87,000.00	Cilybebyll	£88,000.00	1,833.42	<b>£48.00</b>	£1,408.09	<b>£1,456.09</b>
£18,055.00	Clyne and Melincourt	£19,138.30	255.59	<b>£74.88</b>	£1,408.09	<b>£1,482.97</b>
£343,661.00	Coedffranc	£357,452.00	3,409.65	<b>£104.84</b>	£1,408.09	<b>£1,512.93</b>
£40,071.00	Crynant	£44,078.00	657.30	<b>£67.06</b>	£1,408.09	<b>£1,475.15</b>
£29,000.00	Cwmllynfell	£29,000.00	367.62	<b>£78.89</b>	£1,408.09	<b>£1,486.98</b>
£44,354.00	Dyffryn Clydach	£44,354.00	1,071.73	<b>£41.39</b>	£1,408.09	<b>£1,449.48</b>
£129,676.00	Glynneath	£132,203.66	1,355.24	<b>£97.55</b>	£1,408.09	<b>£1,505.64</b>
£69,237.00	Gwaun Cae Gurwen	£68,953.00	1,311.17	<b>£52.59</b>	£1,408.09	<b>£1,460.68</b>
£330,000.00	Neath	£330,000.00	6,368.61	<b>£51.82</b>	£1,408.09	<b>£1,459.91</b>
£20,409.00	Onllwyn	£21,021.00	355.71	<b>£59.10</b>	£1,408.09	<b>£1,467.19</b>
£33,602.00	Pelenna	£34,170.00	387.78	<b>£88.12</b>	£1,408.09	<b>£1,496.21</b>
£163,700.00	Pontardawe	£163,700.00	2,361.73	<b>£69.31</b>	£1,408.09	<b>£1,477.40</b>
£44,000.00	Resolven	£46,200.00	713.48	<b>£64.75</b>	£1,408.09	<b>£1,472.84</b>
£45,190.00	Seven Sisters	£47,450.00	610.78	<b>£77.69</b>	£1,408.09	<b>£1,485.78</b>
£27,000.00	Tonna	£27,000.00	819.15	<b>£32.96</b>	£1,408.09	<b>£1,441.05</b>
£62,500.00	Ystalyfera	£63,750.00	1,554.62	<b>£41.01</b>	£1,408.09	<b>£1,449.10</b>
<b>£1,871,899.00</b>		<b>£1,912,507.96</b>	<b>30,172.62</b>			

**Basic Amount of Council Tax - NPT plus Community Councils 2016/17**

**App 2**

<b>Community</b>	<b>Band A</b>	<b>Band B</b>	<b>Band C</b>	<b>Band D</b>	<b>Band E</b>	<b>Band F</b>	<b>Band G</b>	<b>Band H</b>	<b>Band I</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Blaengwrach	1,005.26	1,172.79	1,340.34	1,507.88	1,842.97	2,178.05	2,513.14	3,015.76	3,518.38
Blaenhonddan	971.02	1,132.86	1,294.70	1,456.53	1,780.20	2,103.88	2,427.55	2,913.06	3,398.57
Briton Ferry	989.64	1,154.58	1,319.52	1,484.46	1,814.34	2,144.22	2,474.10	2,968.92	3,463.74
Cilybebyll	970.73	1,132.51	1,294.31	1,456.09	1,779.67	2,103.24	2,426.82	2,912.18	3,397.54
Clyne and Melincourt	988.65	1,153.42	1,318.20	1,482.97	1,812.52	2,142.07	2,471.62	2,965.94	3,460.26
Coedffranc	1,008.62	1,176.72	1,344.83	1,512.93	1,849.14	2,185.35	2,521.55	3,025.86	3,530.17
Crynant	983.44	1,147.34	1,311.25	1,475.15	1,802.96	2,130.77	2,458.59	2,950.30	3,442.01
Cwmllynfell	991.32	1,156.54	1,321.76	1,486.98	1,817.42	2,147.86	2,478.30	2,973.96	3,469.62
Dyffryn Clydach	966.32	1,127.37	1,288.43	1,449.48	1,771.59	2,093.70	2,415.80	2,898.96	3,382.12
Glynneath	1,003.76	1,171.05	1,338.35	1,505.64	1,840.23	2,174.82	2,509.40	3,011.28	3,513.16
Gwaun Cae Gurwen	973.79	1,136.08	1,298.39	1,460.68	1,785.28	2,109.87	2,434.47	2,921.36	3,408.25
Neath	973.28	1,135.48	1,297.70	1,459.91	1,784.34	2,108.76	2,433.19	2,919.82	3,406.45
Onllwyn	978.13	1,141.15	1,304.17	1,467.19	1,793.23	2,119.28	2,445.32	2,934.38	3,423.44
Pelenna	997.48	1,163.72	1,329.97	1,496.21	1,828.70	2,161.19	2,493.69	2,992.42	3,491.15
Pontardawe	984.94	1,149.09	1,313.25	1,477.40	1,805.71	2,134.02	2,462.34	2,954.80	3,447.26
Resolven	981.90	1,145.54	1,309.20	1,472.84	1,800.14	2,127.44	2,454.74	2,945.68	3,436.62
Seven Sisters	990.52	1,155.61	1,320.70	1,485.78	1,815.95	2,146.13	2,476.30	2,971.56	3,466.82
Tonna	960.70	1,120.82	1,280.94	1,441.05	1,761.28	2,081.52	2,401.75	2,882.10	3,362.45
Ystalyfera	966.07	1,127.08	1,288.09	1,449.10	1,771.12	2,093.15	2,415.17	2,898.20	3,381.23
All other	938.73	1,095.18	1,251.64	1,408.09	1,721.00	2,033.91	2,346.82	2,816.18	3,285.54

**Basic Amount of Council Tax - NPT plus Community Councils plus Police 2016/17**

**APP 3**

<b>Community</b>	<b>Band A</b>	<b>Band B</b>	<b>Band C</b>	<b>Band D</b>	<b>Band E</b>	<b>Band F</b>	<b>Band G</b>	<b>Band H</b>	<b>Band I</b>
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Blaengwrach	1,143.83	1,334.45	1,525.10	1,715.73	2,097.01	2,478.28	2,859.56	3,431.46	4,003.37
Blaenhonddan	1,109.59	1,294.52	1,479.46	1,664.38	2,034.24	2,404.11	2,773.97	3,328.76	3,883.56
Briton Ferry	1,128.21	1,316.24	1,504.28	1,692.31	2,068.38	2,444.45	2,820.52	3,384.62	3,948.73
Cilybebyll	1,109.30	1,294.17	1,479.07	1,663.94	2,033.71	2,403.47	2,773.24	3,327.88	3,882.53
Clyne and Melincourt	1,127.22	1,315.08	1,502.96	1,690.82	2,066.56	2,442.30	2,818.04	3,381.64	3,945.25
Coedffranc	1,147.19	1,338.38	1,529.59	1,720.78	2,103.18	2,485.58	2,867.97	3,441.56	4,015.16
Crynant	1,122.01	1,309.00	1,496.01	1,683.00	2,057.00	2,431.00	2,805.01	3,366.00	3,927.00
Cwmllynfell	1,129.89	1,318.20	1,506.52	1,694.83	2,071.46	2,448.09	2,824.72	3,389.66	3,954.61
Dyffryn Clydach	1,104.89	1,289.03	1,473.19	1,657.33	2,025.63	2,393.93	2,762.22	3,314.66	3,867.11
Glynneath	1,142.33	1,332.71	1,523.11	1,713.49	2,094.27	2,475.05	2,855.82	3,426.98	3,998.15
Gwaun Cae Gurwen	1,112.36	1,297.74	1,483.15	1,668.53	2,039.32	2,410.10	2,780.89	3,337.06	3,893.24
Neath	1,111.85	1,297.14	1,482.46	1,667.76	2,038.38	2,408.99	2,779.61	3,335.52	3,891.44
Onllwyn	1,116.70	1,302.81	1,488.93	1,675.04	2,047.27	2,419.51	2,791.74	3,350.08	3,908.43
Pelenna	1,136.05	1,325.38	1,514.73	1,704.06	2,082.74	2,461.42	2,840.11	3,408.12	3,976.14
Pontardawe	1,123.51	1,310.75	1,498.01	1,685.25	2,059.75	2,434.25	2,808.76	3,370.50	3,932.25
Resolven	1,120.47	1,307.20	1,493.96	1,680.69	2,054.18	2,427.67	2,801.16	3,361.38	3,921.61
Seven Sisters	1,129.09	1,317.27	1,505.46	1,693.63	2,069.99	2,446.36	2,822.72	3,387.26	3,951.81
Tonna	1,099.27	1,282.48	1,465.70	1,648.90	2,015.32	2,381.75	2,748.17	3,297.80	3,847.44
Ystalyfera	1,104.64	1,288.74	1,472.85	1,656.95	2,025.16	2,393.38	2,761.59	3,313.90	3,866.22
All other	1,077.30	1,256.84	1,436.40	1,615.94	1,975.04	2,334.14	2,693.24	3,231.88	3,770.53



**CHAIRPERSON**