Borough of Douglas

Town Hall,

Douglas,

26th January, 2022

At a SPECIAL MEETING of the COUNCIL of the BOROUGH OF DOUGLAS, duly convened and holden at 10.00 a.m. on WEDNESDAY, the 26th day of JANUARY, 2022, in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, within the TOWN HALL, at which Meeting the following Members were present, that is to say: -

The Mayor

MRS RAINA CHATEL, JP

Councillors

Miss N.A. Byron Mr S.R. Pitts Mr J.E. Skinner Mr A.J. Bentley Mr I.J.G. Clague, MBE Mr D.R. Watson Mr S.R. Crellin Mr F. Schuengel Mrs C.L. Wells Mr F. Horning Ms J. Thommeny Mr P.J. Washington

The Chief Executive, Director of Finance, Director of Environment and Regeneration and the Director of Housing and Property were in attendance.

1. **Papers before the Council**

Members had before them:

- (1) Minutes of Pensions Committee meeting as contained in Clause C14 of report of meeting held on Wednesday, 24th November, 2021, in relation to revenue estimates for 2022/23.
- (2) Minutes of special Executive Committee meeting held on Thursday, 13th January, 2022.
- (3) The Director of Finance's Budget Report and estimates of expenditure for the year ending 31st March 2023, incorporating amendments made by the respective Committees.

2. Pensions Committee – 24th November, 2021 – Clause C14

Motion moved by Mr Councillor J.E. Skinner, seconded by Mr Councillor F. Horning, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Pensions Committee, as contained in Clause C14 of report of meeting held on Wednesday, 24th November, 2021, be received, approved and adopted by the Council."

Question put on Motion; a vote was taken electronically and there voted **For** the Motion: Councillors: Ms J. Thommeny, Mr F. Horning, Mr F. Schuengel, Mr S.R. Crellin, Mrs C.L. Wells, Mr I.J.G. Clague, Mr J.E. Skinner, Miss N.A. Byron, Mr S.R. Pitts – 9

Against: Councillors: Mr P.J. Washington, Mr D.R. Watson, Mr A.J. Bentley - 3

Motion Carried.

3. Executive Committee – 13th January, 2022

Borough Rate 2022/2023

Motion moved by Councillor Mrs C.L. Wells, seconded by Mr Councillor I.J.G. Clague, "That the minutes of proceedings of the Executive Committee, as contained in report of special meeting held on Thursday, 13th January, 2022, and containing the recommendation:

"That in accordance with Section 11 of the Local Government Act 2006, a Borough Rate of **FOUR HUNDRED AND SIXTY-EIGHT PENCE** in the pound on the net annual value of all rateable property in the Borough be levied for the year ending 31st March, 2023."

together with the associated Budget Report and Estimates be received, approved and adopted by the Council."

Amendment moved by Councillor Miss N.A. Byron, seconded by Mr Councillor S.R. Pitts, "That the following words be added to the Motion: "subject to reinstatement into the capital budget for 2022/23 of the provision for replacement changing facilities at Spring Valley."

The Council adjourned at 11.25am to enable the potential impact of the amendment to be assessed, and resumed at 11.45am when the Council Leader advised that the scheme could be accommodated with little impact in the 2022-23 financial year but greater impact in future years.

Question put on amendment. There voted **For** the amendment: Councillors Mr P.J. Washington, Ms J. Thommeny, Mr F. Schuengel, Mr S.R. Crellin, Mrs C.L. Wells, Mr D.R. Watson, Mr A.J. Bentley, Miss N.A. Byron, Mr S.R. Pitts – **9**

Against: Councillors: Mr F. Horning, Mr I.J.G. Clague, Mr J.E. Skinner – 3

Amendment carried.

Question put on substantive Motion. There voted **For** the Motion: Councillors Mr P.J. Washington, Ms J. Thommeny, Mr F. Horning, Mr F. Schuengel, Mr S.R. Crellin. Mrs C.L. Wells, Mr D.R. Watson, Mr A.J. Bentley, Mr I.J.G. Clague, Miss N.A. Byron, Mr S.R. Pitts -11

Against: Mr Councillor J.E. Skinner – 1

Substantive Motion carried.

The Council rose at 12.05pm.

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Town Clerk & Chief Executive